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Sec. Wallace's Report Relative

Including a Reply From the Attorney General Explaining the Different Sections of the "Packers and Stockyards Act of 1921"

Trade Commission Act pertinent to this inquiry are those found in Section 6 and are as follows:

in the acquisition of, buying, selling, or dealing in any article in com-

The Honorable The President of the Senate.

United States, adopted December 6, cluding penalties) of sections 6, 8, poration engaged in commerce.

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mainly from public records, as to quire me to take any action with resuch matters as the purchase and gard to such a transaction in adslaughter of animals by the various vance of its consummation." packing concerns, volume and charac- In reply to this inquiry I have reter of business over various periods ceived the following communication of time, including a statement of the from the Attorney General: names and location of competitive "In your letter of November 22, concerns operating at various markets 1922, you state that the head of one where Armour & Company and Mor- of the five largest meat packing conri. & Company are engaged in busi- cerns has called upon you and stated ness. Copies of these papers are that he has in contemplation the pur-In stating to me what they desire er of these fire largest packing contransmitted herewith. to do, namely, to purchase the physical assets of Morris & Company, Mr. cash and part in the stock of the purchase and the members of his chasing concern and including the asterfed did not present an application of cort in liabilities of the

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(By W. C. Lansdon) WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23-No fair-minded man can accuse Arthur Capper of Bourbonism. He has an open mind. He learns much from the events that happen from day to day. He has the welfare of the American farmer deeply at heart. Naturally he is also much concerned about the

the Secretary of the Senate under sion, to define its powers and duties, and partnerships'
date of Decer 1.cr 6, 1922. This resolution reads as follows:

"Resolved, that the Secretary of Agriculture be, and hereby is, directed to report immediately to the Senate all information now in his possible to the provisions of this Act and to any public interest."

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ties for public service. He believes that his party is in serious danger of disaster unless a constructive procable to the jurisdiction, powers, and tion obtained by it hereunder, except trade secrets and names of customerican agriculture is enacted by congress and approved by the president public interest." ties for public service. He believes

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with their subsidiary and affiliated companies; also to report as to any the President and the Attorney Gengard to such a transaction in advance congress. Here is the platform must sacrifice his party standing and to its consummation.

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be able to force his own organization to accept his program and enact it into law in order to secure the farmer support without which defeat of any party, nationally and properly is certain. Capper wants to work within the organization. Doubtless he believes that if he can do so and win his points his victory will make him a logical contender for the presiden-

ial nomination. But what will happen if the reacorganization are strong enough to block Senator Capper's Agricultural program? Is there any other way for him to succeed? Obviously there are two non party paths between which he must make a choice if he cannot persuade the republicans to accept his

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hands. Disregarding almost entirely the fixed convictions of the leaders of his party he is throwing him. Proving a Success in Pennsylvania

Miners, Farmers, Townspeople All Unite In Patronizing the Local "Co-op"—Has passed Through Strenuous Period But Is Now On Solid Ground

"In the old days I never used to thus incidentally hit the profiteers. know what I was going to get in The most important results of comy envelope on pay day. There operation in this section are probabwas always the company store bill ly those that cannot be reckoned in to be taken out of it, and what with dollars and cents. Men and women the prices they charged and the liberal handed way the wife and I used who act as officers and directors of to buy without sensin' how much we their societies are acquiring practiwas spendin', why that envelope look- cal experience in adjusting their own But what will happen it the total tionary elements of the republican organization are strong enough to block Senator Capper's Agricultural block Senator Capper's Cap store we've had a square deal on ny of housework broken only by go-

> The veteran coal miner who paid ions during discussion. this tribute to the "co-op" is only one Then there are the little everyday of the many United Mine Workers bits of education which the manager of District Number Two in Central of the store finds time for in be Pennsylvania who are trying out tween weighing out butter and sug the cooperative store as a means of ar and punching the cash register. For increasing their savings and their example, there is the case of Mrs. self-respect. And the store he described is only one of a chain of twentain kind of jam for the children to ty-four stores.

tion probably under as varied condi- store manager told her what was in t! world. If you sit on a cracker a brand that cost more was really less box in one of these stores on a Sat- expensive in the long run. Or take The other course is through an imurday night, you are likely to see Mrs. McGuire, who always bought mediate and open alliance with the something of a cross-section of Am- flour by the paper sackful until the progressives who are organizing un- erica and to hear bartering in many manager pointed out how much der the leadership of La Follette. tongues, for nearly every society remoney she would save if she bought Such a coalition would not only dispresents from five to eight national it by the barrel. Then there is Mrs. credit Capper with his regular republities in its membership. Men and Stanovitch ,who has lived in this lican associates but in all probability women whose ancestors fought in the country only about a year. The first would result in a struggie between American Revolution and Slovaks day she came into the 'co-op" her himself and Senator La Follette for newly come to this country can not gray eyes peered distrustfully from the leadership of the central indepense a word of English, Jews and beneath her black shawl. She watchdent and progressive group that as Gentiles, white men and colored men ed with suspicion as he weighed her pires to shape and direct all national are joint shareholders in these stores, pork chops and her butter. She tried legislation during the next two One society numbers among its memto beat down his price. The next years and appears to have the bers—English, Scotch, Belgians, Slotime she comes all her suspicion is strength and the determination would vaks, Poles, Italians and Syrians. be to succeed. in such a struggle There is one store in a little settlebe to succeed. In such a strong ment of Slavic people which has exbest example of a by-product of cobest example of a by-product of co-Senator Capper would laif and the senator of Stavic people which has ex-ing would be forced to take a second actly one native American in its operation.

ent tastes," complained one store It may well happen therefore that manager. "I must always have plannor write and he can just about within a very few months Senator ty of Bologna for the Kurtzes and make himself understood and that's capper will be forced to choose between his own worthy and laudable the swedish feller, Swansen, he's did a lot o' talkin', explain to him tween his own worthy and laudable that Swedish leller, Swansen, he's political aspirations and an unequal-always pesterin' me to get some fundled opportunity to serve his farmer ny kind of bread that nobody but him friends. All who know the sterling likes and so it goes. It beats all, the good it would do him, but we couldn't quite make out how much of our talk different ideas folks have about eat-

es been beset by more obstacles than more. Me put back. Me have more from four years to the tender age of —what you call 'em, what you call have these stores. Ranging in age 'em-shares.' And he took a two one year, they have passed through dollar bill out o' his pocket to pay their infancy in stressful tmes. The up in full for three more shares. history of cooperation in this section Ain't that co-operation for you?" might be compared to that of a baby You have only to go across the who contracts measles , chicken pox, hills a few miles from one of these mumps, scarlet fever and whooping stores to a non-union mine to see a cough in rapid succession and sur- striking contrast to the miner-covives. The war, the influenza epi- operator. Here company ownership demic which raged with terrific vio- of the town still prevails. The miner lence in these towns, the strike of lives in a company shack, buys his the miners in 1919, the quick drop groceries at the company store at in prices in 1920, followed by all these whatever prices the company sees fit many months of uncertain and ir to charge, sends his children to the regular employment have been a company school, is attended by the series of severe endurance tests. company doctor when he is sick and Many enthusiasts have started crop- is buried by the company minister erative stores only to fail utterly when he dies.-So. Dakota Union for the very simple reason that al- Farmer. though they understood the theory of cooperation they understood little or nothing about running a grocery store. The organizer of these stores is by no means a mere theorist in cooperation for in the days when he ing of the farmers and farmers' busimanaged the company store for the ness organizations is expected to remine operators he had a chance to sult from the call issued by the Nalearn the business thoroughly.

dollars and cents value of coopera-tion among the miners is the effect keting organizations to be held in it has produced upon profiteering to discuss rural credit legislation in grocers. In some towns the company connection with the handling and marstores have announced discounts to connection with the handling and martheir customers to keep them from convention was called as the result of a letter by Senator Arthur Capper, "Half my old customers are buying at chairman of the Senate farm bloc, to the co-op," lamented the proprietor of a meat market who had been charging cut-throat prices, and the half that is left is the worst half—
the folks who always charge it."
"Why wait till the end of the quarter to get dividends," advertised the next door neighbor to one cooperative, "we pay them now by saving you money on every purchase." The best of it is that this change of heart on the part of of profiteers has not been constant to the part of of profiteers has not been constant to the part of of profiteers has not been constant to the present laws, which are of temporary character.

Farmers last year entered over 194. charging cut-throat prices, and the movement, that such a conference the part of of profiteers has not been due to any attempt of the co-operatoves to cut their competitors fat producers through demonstrations by agricultural extension workers, activities customers with goods of honest quality at honest prices and have

prices and we're on a strictly cash ing to church or to a funeral are basis. You bet my pocket-book shows coming out to shareholders meetings, the effects of it."

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These miners are testing co-opera-on probably under as varied condi-You not cheat," she announces.

ing would be forced to take a second place in the progressive movement, a place in the progressive movement, a result that might be fatal to his political ambitions but would still enable him to succeed with his program able him to succeed with his program able him to succeed with his program ent tastes:" complained one store of the shaft. He can't read Never have co-operative enterpris- do like dat to me. Me help some

Genevieve Fox.

CO-OP. FARMERS AID CONGRESS The first actual nation-wide gathertional Council of Farmers' Coopera-Perhaps the best indication of the tive Marketing associations for a con-Washington, December 14, 15 and 16, chairman of the Senate farm bloc, to Aaron Sapiro, national counsel and leader of the co-operative marketing

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WOMEN'S WORK, IN LOCAL UNIONS

The recent convention of the National Farmers' Union had a Committee on Women's Work and a Woman's Auxiliary. Mrs. E. M. Hall of Geary County, Kansas, the only woman delegate in attendance was chairman of that very important committee. She was assisted in her work by Senator Alfred Docking of Kansas, O. F. Dornblazer of Iowa, A. J. Fleming of Georgia, Mrs. Charles Brown of Virginia, Mrs. Webb of Texas, Mrs. Osborne of Nebraska, and Mrs. Montague of

Virginia. The report of the committee urged that the Board of Directors of the National Union should encourage and assist in the formation of the Women's Auxiliary organization to work in connection with the local unions throughout the country. Secretary A. C. Davis, Mrs. Hall and a third member of the Union were designated as a committee to carry on the work of organizing the farm women of the United States to operate

in connection with the Union. There are at least two ways for the wives and daughters of members our organization to assist in the work in which we are all engaged and that we believe is so important to agriculture and to the welfare of society. There should be more. women in the locals and they should have more to do. Probably the most effective organization work that can be done during the next few weeks is the enrollment of all eligible women in the membership of our locals. This can be done without any great labor or expense.

At its next meeting each Local in Kansas is urged to appoint a committee on Women Mem-Ders. This committee should be composed of the president and secretary of the Local and of at least three other members two of whom should be women already in the organization. When ready for work all members should arrange to act together. It will be necessary to present the natter and its importance to the women who have never joined he Union. It may take a day or more to canvass the territory of the Local but every woman more than sixteen years old should be solicited. Undoubtedly the great majority will sign application cards and come into the or-

ganization. The first meeting of the Local after the drive has been completed should be carefully planned. The applicants for membership should be initiated in such a way that they will be impressed with the value and the possibilities of the Union. The obligation taken by all candidates for Union membership is impressive and should be administered in a dignified way. The president should not read the charge as if it were a mere matter of detail but should commit it to memory and deliver it to the incoming class of women members in such a way that they will realize the importance of the step that they are taking. In too many locals there is a regrettable tendency to treat the obligation and the reception of new members as a joke.

After the women and girls have been received into the Local they should be given something to do. They are entitled to all the privileges of membership. They can debate, vote, hold office, serve on committees, and act as delegates to the county and state conventions and they should be encouraged and in time required to do all these things. In addition to their regular duties as members of the Union the women should also have their own organization or club.

The Women's Auxiliary or Farm Womens Club should be made up of all the women members' of the Locals and should be restricted to those who have taken the obligation required for admission to the Union. This may exclude a few women in each neighborhood who should be in this work. Such exclusion will be only temporary for once convinced of the value of our movement those who are interested will see to it that their men folks join the Union and qualify them for membership not only in the parent organiza-

tion but in the auxiliary. Bafore the next state convention, to be held in Topeka on the third Wednesday in January their should be dozens of women's clubs or auxliaries organized and in operation. At that convention a strong committee made up both of we-

men and men should work out the details of programs and purposes for the farm women's clubs. No time should be lost. The time to start with this most important movement is now.

THE TARIFF AND THE FARMERS

There are few facts about the tariff that every farmer should know. The duties on imports are not intended to reduce the prices of articles consumed as finished products in this country and they will not do so. On the other hand it is almost certain that they will increase the cost of living. If this is true and few dispute it, then the average man and especially the farmer and the wage worker must look elsewhere for tariff benefits.

If import duties check the flow of goods into ths country without stopping any part of the demands for such goods it is plain enough that American manufacturers and other producers will have a bigger market and that within certain limits they can get better prices. This enlarged market should result in the reducton of unemployment and in the payment of good wages to workingmen many of whom have had no jobs for several years.

With plenty of work and fair wages laboring men generally will be able to buy more and their increased purchasing power should result in a broader market and better prices for farm products and the farm income so enlarged and in its turn, translated into increased purchasing power should add to the wages and profits of those who are producing finished products.

It is certain that the manufacturers are in a position to take full advantage of the increased ariff rates. They are not competing with each other. They are not producing beyond the needs of their markets. They are well organized to protect their own business.

If the farmers hope to gain from the tariff they must do exactly what the manufacturers have done. They must organize for their own protection. They must market their own products. They must stop all competition within groups of producers of identical commondities. They must retain control of any seasonal surplus n such a way that it will not be thrown on a glutted market but will become a reserve to be handled for their own profit. Finally farmers must regulate and control production to conform to the economic demands of accessible markets.

This program is possible only through organzation. It is a cold blooded business proposition, just as cold blooded and just as business like as the policies of organization and control of markets and out put that have enriched manufacturers operating for their own advantage behind the walls of the protective tariff. If the farmers accept the opportunities offered them by protection they will probably be denounced and cursed as selfish, brutal, and cruel. If they do not take advantage of it they are fools and in due course of time they will become paupers, tenants, and serfs unable to feed and care for their families to say nothing of the balance of the world.

FARM PRICE READJUSTMENTS

Secretary Hoover is considerably concerned over the condition of the American farmer. So are the farmers. Here is where the distinguished engineer who is acting as head of the Department of Commerce and the horny handed sons of the soil are in agreement. Something is badly wrong and something must be done about it or there can be no general revival of busness or In a recent statement Mr. Hoover says: "In

a general way agricultural prices are upon a basis of about 124 (as against 103 at the worst) compared to pre war 100, while industrial wages, public services, and manufactured commodities are upon a basis somewhere between 160 and 180, compared to pre-war 100. This is by far the most serious element of our instability that remains of our domestic dislocations due to the war. As the agricultural industry is thus still out of line, there must be further readjustments favorable to the farmer, either by increases of prices of farm products or decrease in the in-

comes of other groups." It is evident from Hoover's further discussion of the problem that he believes that the required readjustment must come by decreasing other prices to conform to the levels prevailing for agricultural products. This is the view that is taken by practically all the men who are interested in financial operations. It is also held by a good many farmers who seem to be willing to accept the present low prices for the results of their labor if the wages of working men and the cost of commodities can be correspondingly

reduced. This looks like the worst possible solution of a difficult and menacing problem. Such a readjustment might restore the farmers purchasing power to something like pre war, volume and thereby improve business conditions for the industrial and commercial sections of society but it would not affect the vast volume of debts incurred during the period of inflation. Interest and dividend rates, federal revenues and local taxes cannot be reduced to conform to the proposed readjustment of wages and the prices of

farm products. More than half the income of agricultural producers is now required to meet interest payments and taxes figured in dollars. The suggested readjustment might enable the farmers to buy pre war volumes of commodities with their incomes but would not help them to buy back their notes and mortgages and pay their taxes which are not based on the value of commodities. Such claims should be settled in terms of the same sort of money and credit that prevailed when

the obligations were contracted. The treasury announces that the federal debt has been reduced to something above twenty two billions of dollars. That is true in terms of dollars but false in terms of the products with which the farmersm ust buy dollars to pay their taxes. Measured in terms of wheat, cotton, corn hogs, cattle, fruit and other commodities with

the federal debt is almost three times as big as it was on the day that it touched the peak measured in dollars. On the other hand the men who own government or other bonds are now able to buy three times the quantity of farm products with their income that was possible only three

Plainly enough the readjustment downward suggested by Mr. Hoover is in the interest of bondholders and all others who live on fixed returns from bonds and taxes but it means bankruptcy and serfdom for the farmers.

A NEW SUPREME JUSTICE

A few weeks ago the president nominated Pierce Butler of Minnesota to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court in succession to Justice Day, retired. A little later the newspapers reported that the confirmation of Buler had been delayed unil the senate could make some investigation of his record. Butler's record and standing as a lawyer satisfied the senators, and hsi nomination has now been confirmed.

Butler is a fit associate for the majority of the court that he has joined. When he puts on his long black gown and assumes his expression of judicial wisdom and judgmatical dignity he will be a proper addition to the group of earnest advocates of special privilege already on the bench. With the exception of Brandies and Holmes every member of the Supreme Court of the United States is a reactionary attorney who owes all his fortune and power to his previous alliances with the forces of monopoly, privilege and greed.

Butler will find himself in congenial company. He calls himself a democrat and was named on the pretense that it is proper to maintain a partisan balance on the supreme bench. The truth is that the newly appointed associate justice is a very ordinary corporation lawyer of the safe and sane type so much trusted and relied on by the great business interests. With such an addition to our court of last resort it will be safe for the corporations to permit a hearing on the Kansas Industrial Court Law.

LEGISLATION BY LAME DUCKS.

A lame duck, in the language that prevails in Washington, is a prominent statesman who has been defeated at the polls. Actually and in words that every plain farmer can understands without consulting a dictionary of slang, a lame duck is a hired hand who has been fired because his services are no longer satisfactory to his employers, the people of his district or state. When a Kansas farmer fires a hired hand who has become too uppity for his job the discharged employee is expected to tie his extra shirt and socks up in a bundle and beat it away from there for one hundred per cent organized and Pinches Many Kansas Homes some other place where his services are needed. It is not so with congressmen and senators. On the seventh of November the sovereign squats of the United States fired a big bunch of senators and representatives for the most part because they had forgotten the people whose votes gave them an opportunity for public service. But

to be taken up by the new help hired by their bosses, the people of the United States. Far from it. They are still on the job and will draw pay and make laws until the fourth of March. The new congress, chosen on November 7th, 1922, to take the place of one whose work has been generally unsatisfactory probably will not meet and organize until the first Monday in December, 1923. There are differences of opinion as to the wisdom of this arrangement. Advocates of the old order, men who believe that a system must be right because it was ordained and established by "the Fathers" say that it is a good thing to postpone a meeting of congress for thirteen months after it has been chosen in or-

the discharged law makers, under the constitu-

campaign may have time to cool off before the new men get to work There are others who insist that the long delay in convening a new congress is valuable only to the special and privileged interests because it gives time for convincing then ew men that it would be highly unwise for them to do the work that their bosses hired them for. A plain man wonders why a hired hand should be allowed to wait thirteen months before starting on the job that he has been ordered to do. There is too much danger that the new congressmen and senators, subject to the sinister influences surrounding our nationall aw makers at all times, will forget their orders and their bosses back home and take new orders from the pickets of privilege

der that the passions provoked by the election

who patrol every avenue of access to the Capitol of the United States. The National Farmers Union had this very matter under consideration at the recent Lynchburg convention and adopted a resolution asking for an amendment to the federal constitution providing that the term of a congress shall expire on the day that its successor is elected and that it shall begin its work on the first Monday of the following January or only about seven weeks after the election. The big point is that the old congress shall not be allowed to hold any sort of

a session after the new congress is chosen. There was an immediate response to this demand. Within a week a resolution providing for such an amendment was introduced into the United States and there is every reason to believe that it will be submitted to the states some time within the next two years. This will stop legislation by men whose services are no longer satisfactory to the people.

Officials not subject to recall by the people should not be tolerated in a free government.

A classified ad in the exchange column of the Kansas Union Farmer will only cost you a few cents and may be the means of many dollars. to you. The way to co-operate is to give your which the farmers must meet their obligations own paper advertising patronage.

COMMENT ON WORLD'S NEWS FOR WEEK

Representatives in Washington Are keeping close watch on the progress of rural credits legislation. All can life affect to be strongly in favor of any year collected \$600,000,000 more than measure that will give relief to agri- they paid out. Premiums are so adculture but they are almost unani- justed that there will be similar remously of the opinion that all the nec- sults this year and next year and all essary help can be supplied by the the years to come. These same sev-Federal Reserve System if some slight enty-five companies now have nearly merdments are made.

It is proposed to make properly secured farm papers with nine months reserves is checked they will absorb maturity eligible for rediscount thru all the wealth of the country within the Federal Reserve Banks. Whether this plan would work out all right is all right but the man who buys it is uncertain but it is sure that it would should not be required to purchase enable the banking interests to retain so many other things that he does the business that will go to other not want and cannot use. agencies including growers' associations if the War Finance Corporation should be continued.

Washington we could get what we needed before the close of this ses-

Taxation

Fills a Big Place new governor of Kansas wants to reciuce tax burdens. The incoming house of cenresen actives is of the same mind. Although the senate is a holdover body elected two years ago it is made up of good, honest, public-spir- is Very Popular ited men who willw ant to help and if they can do so, please their fellow cit- lieve that things are wrong because

izens. # support in both branches of the legis- things that every group of adjusters should be easier to control such a dislature when he submits his taxreduc- undertakes in recasting our institu- turbing element from within than it tion program. All are agreed that tions of governmental local and othsomething must be lone. All should erwise is to deprive the plain citizen know that nothing can be done except on foot of most of the democratic Navy by dispensing with certain services powers that are still retained by the | Expenses Will Exceed that the people are now buying with folks. tax money. How many Kansas folks The Kansas School Code Commis have made up their minds as to just sion has just made a report that is year in spite of the results of the inwhat they can get along without?

member of the Union who reads this that the people of a rural school dis- much as war-time appropriations but to sit right down and write a letter to trict are not capable of managing their it is a good deal more than was ever President Tromble and send his a list own schools. The County Unit Plan appropriated for any single year beof the taxpaid services that he can of Administration will never be acceptore 1914. dispense with. Come on boys and let ted for schools by the people of tais us know just where to commence so state. far as you are concerned!

er Orderly Marketing eighty-five por cent organized. Cot- the district. ton is pretty well signed up. Raisins and other California dried fruits are Hard Times

of course are getting the best results. be discharged and all the costs of distion, were not required to pack up and clear out tribution must be reduced. Unless candy. leaving their places to be filled and their work these things are done co-operation is worthless to the producer.

> The Star Has Discovered Gravel

In several sections of Kansas, gravel entirely spitable for road building purposes : 1 in a recent issue almost endorsed gravel construction for Kansas highways. After all there are only a few hopelessly stupid folks in this world. A good many people have lost all hope of the Star ever saying anything sensible but the election returns appear to have taught that paper something worth while.

All through southeastern Kansas he good roads program should take the form of well graded highways, surfaced with chats from the lead and zinc mines. There is a lot of this naterial, enough to pave all the pubic roads as far out as they can be eached without bumping into prohipitive freight rates. There are also nany good available gravel beds in different parts of the state and much iver gravel suitable for this purpose. The best points about gravoled roads are the low first cost, the ease and cheapness of maintenance, and he serviceable driving surface that is possible. They are all right where gravel can be obtained at reasonable

cost. Elsewhere Kansas folks must take their choice between concrete construction and dirt roads.

Trucks And Passenger States

Are already using nearly every mile of concrete or gravelled roads in Kansas. They are making money for their owners and are very convenient for lots of the folks of this state. The owners of these freight and passenger cars now using the public roads so extensively have very little capital invested in the equipment of their business or in the roads over which they operate. They pay some taxes course but not enough to repair lamage that their machines do to the highways.

The coming session of the legisla ture must deal with this problem among many others in connection with public roads. It may be that the hest possible solution of the road funds and road use problem would be reasonable tax on gasoline. Such an excise would fall almost entirely on citizens who use the public highways for motor cars and trucks. The man who uses the roads the most will, of course, pay the highest tax. So far as motor driven vehicles are con-cerned a tax on gasoline would be a be as fair as a tollgate system be cause it would be paid by all citizens

The gasoline tax is worth considertion from the people and from the egislature. It may be the very best way to raise money for highway con-truction and maintenance.

Costs Much Money

In many ways, Seventy-five Ameriinsurance associations last SEVEN BILLIONS OF RESERVES.

Unless the growth of life insurnace the next fifty years. Life insurance

Comparatively few farmers have their lives insured. All farmers should thing. carry a reasonable volume of insur-If the Farmers of this country were ance. Certainly every farmer who is is well represented as the bankers at in debt owes it to his creditors and to his family to make some provision for clearing his estate. As long as rates are as high as at present few farmers can insure their lives.

There should be a Farmers Mutual Life Insurance Company and the In the public minds these days. The Union should be its founder, sponsor, and promoter. The next state con- powers but during the past six months vention can well afford to spend a half a day on this problem.

Reform

With large groups of people who be they are not run to conform to the Governor Davis will have plenty of plans of reformers. One of the first Perhaps that is a good thing as it

admirable in many ways but absolute- ternational Conference for the Limi-It might be a good thing for each ly indefensible in its calm assumption tation of Armaments. This is not as

school district is no longer the natural still have in commission in this counrural community, that it was a gen- try? There are a lot of people who eration are but any change to larger believe that we should stop navy con-Is making very rapid progress three districts I ust retain the powers of struction until we get the Lincoln

This winter. It is almost impos-Commodity marketing associations sible for our Karsas folks to buy all must not only provide for orderly mar- the things they do not need but must keting but must also arrange for have and still have enough income get along without spending money for seasonal surpluses for the left to buy the few things without things it does not need it would soon account of growers until they can be which they cannot live. It would be converted into reserves to be supplied easy enough to pay all the farm mort-tion. to the world in response to the actual gages and bank notes owed by agridemands of consumers. Some one culture in this state in less than ten who is now taking too much toll must years if we would quit acting like a parcel of spoiled children crying for And Hiram Johnson

If Kansas farmers and their families could make up their minds to live with the present state of affairs in without such non-essentials as tobacco, chewing gum, candy, one-half the this column, the great reforms in the present consumption of gasoline, and United States never seem to be able a few other such things agriculture to agree with each other for more would pay itself out of debt in this state in a hurry.

The farmer must help himself if of his term. he expects to get any aid worth while from congress, the legislature or the banks. Self restraint and self denial bushel pool state to a six million bushshould become much more general and el pool in one season. That's another popular.

Is Getting Anxious To get back to work, He has earned nothing for so long that the old sock is not only empty but has a hole in the toe of it. He asks for a square deal and probably will get it. This country is well fedeou Fatty's line of

more of his pictures for quite awhile. The chances are that this whole matter will be checked up to the movie patrons throughout the country. A new Arbuckle film will be made and offered to the public and the chances are that it will have a thumbs-down response from the fans, It is so easy and painless to rebuke the sins of others that few of us overlook opportunities for that sort of

stuff. We can get along without any

Fatty Arbuckle might as well get him a pair of overalls and go to work. He is through as an actor.

Seem to Know Exactly What they want and they do not hesitate to point it out and . make their demands fairly emphatic. Tur-key is one of the weakest of all the she has stood the eastern world on its head and served notice on the powers of Eastern Europe that she will go right on making new and more trouble in several different places unless she gets what she wants.

Now it is announced that Turkey will come into the League of Nations. has proved to be from without.

THREE HUNDRED AND TWEN-TY-FIVE MILLION DOLLARS this

Just what dangers to our commerce are averted by the activities of the It may be that the independent thousand or more war ships that we out the courter. Tobacco is about administration and government within highway hard surfaced from Boston on the navy this year would build three concrete highways eighteen feet wide from the Atlantic to the Pacific and what the army costs would build three more from Canada to the Gulf. If this country could be persuaded to

Borah

Do not agree on the most desirable policy for our country in connection Europe. 'As heretofore remarked in

The progressive block in the senate Yes of course the farmer has a should enter into a signed agreement right to all these things, just as much with each other for the period of two of a right as any one else but when years they will act together in a way you get right down to brass tacks it determined by the majority vote of is not very high-toned to talk about their own members. As a penalty rights that can be enjoyed only by clause providing for liquiated damspending money borrowed from the ages for the violation of the contract banks or raised by mortgaging the each senator should agree to make no more speeches during the remainder

> Montana jumped from a 1,000,000 real record.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the policy holders of the FARMERS UNION MUTUAL HAIL INSURANCE COMPANY OF KANSAS, will be held in Salina, Kansas, January 4, 1923, in the Chamber of Commerce rooms in the city building. Five directors are to be elected and other business of great importance will need the consideration of the policy holders, so that every policy holder who can arrange to be present should attend the meeting if possible. Each policy holder is entitled to as many votes for directors to be elected and all votes must be in person. Agents and policy holders are urged to attend this meeting to hear and study the annual feport covering the business of the company for the past year, and in other ways inform themselves on the business affairs of their own organization.

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Every policy holder is entitled to as many votes as there are directors to be elected and an equal additional number for every \$500.00 that he has insured in the company (after the first \$500.00), and he may cast the same by proxy or in person, distributing them among the same or a lesser number of candidates to be elected, or concentrate them on one candidate, as he may see fit, and a plurality shall elect; provided that no member may hold

and use the proxy of more than twenty-five policy holders.

Any policy holder who cannot attend in person may arrange for his proxies to be voted by some other member. However, the proxies must be filed with the secretary of the Insurance Company at Salina, Kansas, at least ten days before the date of the annual meeting. Accordingly, all proxies must be filed with the secretary of the insurance company at Salina, Kansas on or before December 24, 1922. In addition, every proxy must have a ten cent revenue stamp attached. Unless the two above provisions are complied with, the proxy is not valid.

Keep in mind the date of the annual meeting and arrange to be present

if possible. toll for the use of the roads and would THE FARMERS UNION MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF KANSAS

of the above named Insurance Company, at Salina, Kansas, January 4, 1923, Signed NOTICE. Attach a 10c revenue stamp. This proxy must be filed with the secretary of the insurance company at Salina, Kansas, on or before December 24, 1922. COUNTRY HAPPINESS

A Few Hints For the Boys and Girls of Rural Communities

In the country, parents have the best opportunity to make the most of

the spirit of love and work, everyone sharing his part of responsibility. Where can these essentials be found but in the real country home of the farm? There the children get the spirit of work and responsibility. Each stock judging team at the Topeka fair. member of the family can have his or He is now attending K. S. A. C. her job to do. The son is very happy to raise his pig or calf or pen of poulat Kansas State Agricultural college. try, or produce his patch of cotton, They entitle the boys to \$75 in cash, corn, potatoes, or one-fourth acre orand to transportation to and from chard according to the best methods Manhattan over the Union Pacific railand keep a detail record, balance his books and have money in his pocket at the end of the season. The daugh-ORGANIZING BOYS' COMMUNITY AGRICULTURAL CLUBS ter's heart is filled with a sensation of gladness when she raises calves. pigs or poultry or does work in any of boys join the clubs, a Boys' Commun-ity Agricultural Club should be orthe latest modern methods and receives money in return for her labor. In the country life, lessons in systematic work, bookkeeping, economy, balanced rations, care of animals and plants, soil building and profitable agricultural production are gotten. But all on the farm is not work. Tramps in the woods in direct touch with nature, various games, hunting, swim-ming, ball playing on Saturday afternoon, attending club meetings; country club rallies, picture shows, club camps and picnics, county and state short courses and fairs are the variety of sports which makes the country boy

and girl "fair and true." The financial problem is looked at as being a great problem on the farm. The country reared boy and girl learn many lessons through sad experiences. Perhaps diseases kill the chickens, calves or pigs. Insects or hail destroys their plants, money at the end of the year may be short. However, wealth is not always measured in dollars and cents. True nuppiness alone determines great riches. Prosperity and all things good come to those who work industriously and have within their souls a love for their work.

tural Clubs, and Second, Livestock Production Clubs, including Pig (breeding or purebred, pork or fatten UNION PACIFIC ANNOUNCES
FOUR SCHOLARSHIP HOLDERS Club Winners Will be K. S. A. C.

Students Winners of the Union Pacific scholarships for members of boys' and white boys. While other clubs may be girls' clubs in Clay, Brown, Jefferson, and Nemaha counties have been anties, it is thought best not to lave too nounced by R. W. Morrish, state club

Francis Carpenter of Wakefield be the maximum in any community or won the scholarship in Clay county. He has been president of three beef clubs in Wakefield; has won several prizes on calves at Wakefield; and has made a profit of \$50 on one calf. He won the silver loving cup given to the best club livestock judge in Clay county and was a member of the stock judging team that represented Clay only shrink when expenses shrink county at the Hutchinson fair.

HOLD STATE CON-

The scholarships are for attendance

In each school where five or more

ment, and help in carrying out same.

Where the local teacher is selected as

Community Club Leader an assistant

take charge of the club after school

is out. Suggestive programs for

monthly meetings of the club, secre-

tary's record book and other supplies

will be sent out from the State Club

office to the Secretary of the Com-

KINDS OF CLUBS

sippi may be divided into two main

classes: First, Crop Production Clubs,

including Corn, Cotton, Sweet Pota-to, small grain, Peanut, and Horticul-

ing, and sow and litter), Dairy, Baby

Beef and Sheep Clubs. In addition,

what are known as Farm Makers'

Clubs have been organized for the

benefit of Negro boys and include all

of the different clubs enumerated for

organized to serve special communi-

many clubs in any single community,

Three or four separate clubs shoul

county, otherwise production will be

too limited for best results in distri-

TAXES 40 PER CENT HIGHER

Property values in Chicago shrank

almost a billion dollars in 1922, but

taxes are 40 per cent higher. Taxes

bution.

Resolut

New Year's

Boys' Agricultural Clubs in Missis-

munity Agricultural Club.

The Kansas State Taxpayer Organization will hold its annual convention in Representative Hall, January 4, The scholarship in Brown county was won by Eldon Miller of Hamlin, commencing at 10 a. m. The railroads of the state have granted one and onea senior in the Hamlin high school and star in Brown county athletics. He half fare on the certificate plan. Delegates will purchase tickets to Topeconducted a farm flock project, making a profit of \$101 on 72 birds. ka and ask for a one-way certificate Avery Leatherman of Dunavant was high man in the scholarship contest in Jefferson county. The flock of certificates. It at least 250 such certificates. A home is not a home without it is full of cheerfulness and kindness. It as a secretary of the taxpayer organization, the country of level of the secretary of the taxpayer organization, the country of level or three years. the same road at half fare. Last year The Nemaha county winner was many delegates failed to get certifi-cates or receipts. Tickets are good going December 30 to January 5 and returning till January 9. J. M. Kess-Wilbur Atkins of Goff. His project was raising 10 acres of corn. He has been in club work three years and was a member of the Nemaha county ler state secretary expects at least

VENTION

1,000 delegates. The legislative committee of the organization is preparing many bills and will present them for the consideration of the convention. Some of the principle bills cover the following.

A new road law making it necessary that a special county bond election be held before a county road can be built and giving county commissioners authority to spend all road funds and employ, compensate and discharge all highway engineers.

A bill repeating laws giving boards and commissions authority to issue ganized. The members of this club may belong to any of the boys' clubs. bonds of any county or district with-out first submitting the proposition A president, vice-president, and secretary-treasurer should be selected from to a vote of the people obligated.

Abolition or combination of all among the club members as club of-ficers. Each Community Agricultural state boards, commissions and inspec-Club should also select one of the lotors, especially those whose duties can and should be performed by local cal school teachers or an adult of the community as community club leader to assist the club in planning their Legislation to put into effect the authority. year's program of work and entertain-

recall" of public officials. Amendment of the so-called meb Club Leader should be selected to

Law to ultimately provide for the

TAXPAYER ORGANIZATION WILL publication of all blanks and blank books for public use by the state printing plant at cost.

Amendment of our tax laws. Law limiting all bond issues. Laws concerning a state income ax and tax-exemption of bonds will e discussed at the convention. There is no limit to the number of lelegates from each county. Every local farm, business, labor and taxpay ing organization should be represent

Shipment of sheep and lambs back to the country for feeding showed an increase during the first nine months of this year of 355,000 head, or more than 21 per cent, over the corresponding period of last year, although there was a decrease in market receipts of 2,260,000 head, or nearly 13 per cent according to a report of the United States Department of Agriculture.

Nearly two-thirds of the butter produced in the United States in 1921 was made in creameries, according to a report of the United States Department of Agriculture.

STATE MEETING Will Be Held

MEMORIAL HALL

Topeka, Kansas January 16,17, 18 19

TIME TESTED

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E. H. Suddendorf and R. P. Cravens

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plished much.
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ECRETARY WALLACE'S RE-PORT RELATIVE TO PRO-

POSED PACKER MERGER (Continued from page 1)

tute a violation of the law within the meaning of this act there must be something nore than a mere statement of what a person or corporation contemplates.

"In answer to your questiono as to whether the terms of the 'Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921, contemplate any action on your part in connection with the proposed purchase of physical assets, I am of opinion that the act vests you with broad powers of inquiry and that you may make such inquiry."

For some weeks I have been making certain investigations and studies for the purpose of trying to measure the probable effect co apetition in the buying of live stock and the selling of meat if the suggested purchase and sale should be completed, but as yet no occasion seems to have arisen which requires formal action.

As to future action, that will depend altogether upon future events. Respectfully, HENRY WALLACE,

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State speakers will be present and ers within he date list should take large turn-out, there being over 80 in attendance.

1. As the weather was line we had a when it was announced that our loyal attendance.

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

To Local Secretaries And The Mem bership in General We have the State Constitutions r 1922, "containing the Amend

ments as adopted," ready for distribution at 5c per copy. C. E. Brasted, Secretary. CRAWFORD COUNTY MEETINGS The regular meeting of the Craw-

ford County Farmers' Union will be held on the last Tuesday of each month throughout the year except ness was also voted on when this date falls on a Legal Holimative answer returned:

A. C. BROWN, Co. Pres.

OSBORNE COUNTY'S

At the regular meeting of the Osborne County Union No. 16 held on were elected. M. D. LaRosh, president; J. Walters, was elected as delegate to the state all enjoyed. When Senator Green was meeting to be hold in Topping. H. Pickens, secretary-treasurer; J. meeting to be held in Topeka in Jan- introduced, he made the remark that A. Roice, lecturer; W. F. Towne, door- uary, and Robert White was chosen just such talks and short speeches keeper; Ed Hall conductor. Harry as alternate. Mr. and Mrs. Haden from every member was the making Seitz, R. R. Walker, and Will Road- and Mr. Fletcher were appointed as of a good meeting. All the bad luck house as members of the executive the entertainment committee for the we wish brother Green is that the committee. J. H. Pickens was chosen as delegate to the state meeting and S. W. Towne as alternate.

BEAVER LOCAL ELECTS OFFICERS At the meeting of Beaver Local No. 1558 held on December 4, the followdent; Henry Dranden, vice-president; Don B. Berrie, secretary-treasurer; W. P. Kent, lecturer; John Gottlob, conductor; James Berrie, doorkeeper. -Fred S. Abel, Sec.

REPUBLIC COUNTY

Farmers' Union at Topeka.

Nearly all of the old officers were glad they had been there. elected for another year, Following On Tuesday we were sure up is a list of the officers chosen: G. R. against the proper thing. No speaker Bundy, president; Owen Williams, vice-president; Charles Hanzlick, secretary-treasurer; E. H. West, lecturer | Docking of Manhattan, but nothing doand organizer; Ada Burandt, conductor; A. J. Orman, doorkeeper; George they had no one they could spare and Bushby, R. M. Glenn and Ed Kipper we finally gave up and the meeting members of the executive committee. Ed Kipper was chosen as delegate to represent the county organization at the state meeting. The next meeting will probably be held in Courtland.

-G. R. Bundy, Pres. Charles Hanzlick, Sec.-Treas.

SOCIAL PROGRAM AT OLSBURG LOCAL

On Monday night, December 11, held a very interesting meeting consisting of a program by the different members of the local and the election of officers for the ensuing year.

The program given was as follows: Selection, Fred Kilmer; Selection, Eldeon Axelton; Duet, J. A. Peterson and Ed Kilner; Reading, F. E. Nelson; Recitation, Mrs. Pultz; Recitation, Mrs. Alf Peterson; Violin, Andrew Johnson; Solo, Mrs. Pultz. Mr. Pultz was awarded the first prize, a sack of flour, he being judged as having the best number on the pro-gram. Fred Kilner received the sec-

At the election of officers the fol-lowing were chosen to fill the re-spective offices for the ensuing year: ond prize. President, Victor Hansen; Secretary-Treasurer, F. E. Nelson; Lecturer, Mr. Oneal. Mr. Hansen has served as president of this local since its organization about seven years ago, and the secretary has been with us about

three years.

We attribute the success of our organization to the fact that we have had good officers during its life and they have worked hard for the interest of the members.

After the election coffee and cinnamor raths were served to the large three years.

mon rolls were served to the large growd in attendance which was very much appreciated.

-August Burklund,

address Farmers' Union meetings as ing and helpful meeting on December in but when all was ready they made indicated below. Requests for speak1. As the weather was fine we had a hay. All the delegates felt grieved

After the reading of the minutes of the previous session we took up the following questions and voted as answers indicate:

1. Do you favor the development of the Muscle Shoals power by Henry Ford? Answer Yes.

2. Do you favor the Ship Subsidy Bill? Answer No.

3. Do you favor legislation to control strikes and lockouts? Yes. Do you favor the repeal of Section 15A (the rate making section) of the Esch-Cummings act? Yes. 5. Shall the United States cancel

the European War Debt? No. All questions were answered as indicated above by a unanimous vote. The question of the State organiza-

Following the vote on the above questions the election of officers was tees were both discussed pretty in order and members were elected to thoroughly before adoption. At inter-ANNUAL MEETING fill the respective chairs as follows: vals music was furnished by Miss Charles Shirer, president; L. M. Wal- Marion Fees and Miss Violet Hern ters, vice-president; Will Eisle, re- and Mr. Olson. meeting.

-Mrs. G. W. H.

ING A PARTIAL SUCCESS On account of failure of the state secretary to deliver us the lecturer talk short and all went home glad they ing officers were chosen for the en- that was assigned us we were com- had come to the quarterly meeting. suing year: U. S. Alexander, presi- pelled to substitute other speakers for our meetings as far as possible. the fourth of December that brother we got busy and called brother Woodman of the Farmers' Union Live Stock Company at Kansas City to fill the date at St. Marys, which he did. The ELECTS OFFICERS writer has known him for 30 years Republic County Farmers' Union and believe me, he sure did justice to held its fourth quarterly meeting at the large audience that came to hear directed. Belleville on Wednesday, December 6. a man that they had not heard lecture A large delegation was in attendance for some time, as the crowd was exdespite the stormy day, nine locals pecting Mr. Lippert. To hear the praise that the members gave Mr. The county union went on record in- Woodman made us feel that we were structing all delegates from the locals on the right track. We believe he meeting for our secretary to make as to vote to keep the state home of the made business for our own company hereafter and all present went home

> in sight and we got busy telephone. First, he called Alfred ing. Then we tried the College but at Louisville had no speaker. A wire old us that Senator Green from south-" Kansas would be with us to finish up our dates. Through a misunother Green went to Sabetha and did not get to our county until Friday evening for the Olsburg 350 ATTEND MEETING

The meetings at Flush and Blaine were annulled on account of rain and No. 742, F. E. and C. U. of A. is still no speaker. The writer was not at existing and moving forward. First Olsburg but from what I learn Sena of all, we had a meeting November 18 or Green sure filled the bill.

Our quarterly meeting at Westmore suing year which are as follows: A. land on Saturday, December 9 was the G. Schwanbeck, president; Otto

New Year.

FARMERS' UNION MEETINGS
State speakers will be present and Franklin Local held a very interest. I last of the week. Saturday was cold and the delegates were late in getting ident would be unable to be with us on account of sickness.

A resolution was offered and passed sending a special message to brother Hennessy that we offered him our heart-felt sympathy in his affliction and wished him a speedy recovery. Brother Hennessy sent a request that we not use his name as county president again as he was afraid he would be unable to do anything soon. After Soupene Tempchar to take brother Hennessy's place the meeting started in full force.

seated and the Good of the Order seated and the Good of the Order so necessary to us farmers.

committee made a report of which I December 11 we had another meethave not a copy but the report was a

The reports of the above commit-

elected secretary-treasurer; Frank Talks were made by Mr. O'Nell State, organization will let us have him for some time later on as we believe that all present will say that he has the Farmers' Union movement at POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY MEET- heart as much as any lecturer we have heard. Owing to the lateness of the hour Senator Green had to cut his

This finishing the weeks program we do hope hereafter that the state Not knowing until Monday morning secretary will not disappoint us the next time we arrange for a lecturer. Lippert could not possibly be with us, Brother Hennessy being sick, appointted the writer to go ahead and carry out the week's program and will say that it is a most embar assing polition to fill when the appointments with advertisements of the dates and places and no speaker to fill them as

I will do anything for brother Hennessy and wished he could have been able to do as we had planned and laid out the work for another year. Will leave the report of the quarterly we do not want to infringe on his re-

Yours for a larger and stronger

-John Hern,

I regret very much that we had to disappoint brother Hern by not furnishing a speaker as per his wishes. I was away at the time but do know that the girls in the office did the best rom the state secretary to the writer they could under the circumstances and did all that I could have done, had

-C. E. Bradsted, Sec.

NEW YEAR'S

GREETINGS

During the past year we have been greatly bene-

fited by our business relationship and desire to ex-

press our thanks for your earnest cooperation.

We wish you many happy returns of a Prosperous.

Farmers Union Jobbing Ass'n

Kansas City, Mo.

OF VODA LOCAL I want you to know that Voda Local and elected our officers for the en-

Wolf, vice-president; Jason Griffith,

At that meeting we agreed to entertain our Local at the Big Creek Hall December 1, which was carried out and was a complete success. We must thank the directors of the B. C. H. for the free use of their hall and also the different committees for the sérvices rendered.

Everybody brought their baskets well filled and our local furnished the coffee. We had a nice program which consisted of music, songs, recitations and readings. The reading of the prophecy of Voda Locan 50 years hence, brought much laughter and was instructive as well as entertain-

After the program and supper we all enjoyed ourselves at the fantastic cipation. step till the small hours of the morning. Everybody enjoyed themselves, as the county secretary appointed Mr. we have a membership of about 140 members, including ladies, there were about 350 present. Everybody enjoyed it and it showed another step toward It was adopted that all delegates be the co-operative movement which is

ing of our local at which we elected members.

-J. C. S., Local Cor.

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The profiteers are reducing to a ernment. A large crowd was present minimum the personal property of the producers.

The present state of profiteerism condemns the producers to vegetate in conditions of existence inferior to those of the savage.

Don't dabble in politics, organize your economic might to achieve eman--A Rube member of Corinth Local

No. 261 MERCER LOCAL ELECTS OFFICERS

Editor Farmers' Union The Mercer Local, Farmers' Union No. 1462, Arkansas City, Kansas held its regular meeting Wednesday even ing with a large attendance.

After receiving a large number of tion going into the life insurance business was also voted on and an affirmess was also voted on a contract which we elected a contract was also voted on a contract which we elected a contract which we elected a contract was also voted on a contract which we elected a contract which we ele cember 18. We also took in six new held resulting as follows: Charles Estep, president; John Templar, vicepresident; Clare Seyfer secretary-treasurer; Walter Schmidt, conductor; Henry Taylor, doorkeeper. Other committees to be appointed by the president.

Clare Seyfer was appointed as a delegate to the State Farmers' Union meeting to be held in Topeka in Jon-

mary, 1923. After the meeting the ladies served refreshments consisting of peaches with whit ped creum, cake and coffee,

which was heartily enjoyed by all. The members then planned to go to the Harry Burnett farm on Monday to shuck his corn. Mr. Burnett had the misfortune + have a leg broken last week, by his self-dump rake while

away, and he is now in a hospital in

The ladies will serve a warm dinner to the nea shucking corn.

CAMP FUNSTON SOLD Camp Funston, Kan., Dec. 4,—One hundred and twenty-five buildings still standing in Camp Funston were today sold at public auction by the gov-

and the bidding was spirited. Camp Funston Lumber Company of Junction City, Kan., bought about 80 per cent of all lumber sold, including all the big barracks. The company states that these will be ready for re-sale to farmers early in January.

USE UNION WANT ADS

CALL FOR THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE KANSAS DIVIS-ION OF THE FARMERS' EDUCA-TIONAL AND CO-OPERATIVE UNION OF AMERICA

JANUARY 16, 17, 18 and 19

The Kansas Division of the National Farmers' Union and the State Co-operative business associations it has lent its efforts to establish, will convene at Topeka, Kansas, Kansas, Tuesday, January 16, 1922, at 10

The Jobbing Association meeting will be the first number on the program. It will convene Tuesday morning, 10:00 a. m. and continue in session until 6:00 p. m., or the part of that time necessary to transact its

The Auditing Association will convene at 7:30 p. m. on the evening of the same day.

Wednesday morning, January 17, at 10:00 a. m. the Farmers' Union will convene in annual session and, with a few intermissions will continue in session until all the business necessary to come before the meeting is transacted.

Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock the Insurance Company will hold a meeting while the committee on credentials are getting their reports ready.

Wednesday evening at 7:30 the Live Stock Commission Company will convene to consider the live stock interests of the association.

Thursday morning the Farmers' Union proper will again convene at 9 o'clock and continue its activities until the purposes for which the meeting was called are accom-

Thursday evening meeting will be an open mseting devoted to speech making.

Delegates to Farmers' Union annual meeting are required to have their crdentials in the hands of Secretary Brasted 10 days before the date of the annual meeting.

Basis of Representation

One delegate for each local Union in good standing in the State Union December 31, 1922.

2. One delegate for each county or district union in good standing as above. county and district union to be in good standing must have five or more local unions in good standing in the state union December

2. One delegate for each Farmers' Union Co-operative Association and in case of county Farmers' Union Co-operative Association, each unit of such association is entitled to a delegate. All delegates must have credentials signed by the president and secre-tary of the organization thy claim to repre-

A delegate must be a member in good standing of the organization he is elected to represent at the annual meeting.

Delegates are required to send their credentials to C. E. Brasted, state secretary, Salina, Kansas, at least ten (10) days before the date set for the opening of the annual meeting.

JOHN TROMBLE, President. C E. BRASTED, Secretary.

FORMAL CALL

The Jobbing Association of the Kansas Division of the National Farmers' Union will hold its regular annual meeting in the city of Topeka, State of Kansas, at 10 a. m. on Tuesday, January 16, 1923.

Every individual owner of one share of more of the common stock, is entitled to attend this meeting and cast one vote. Every Co-operative Business Association owning one or more shares of stock is entitled to attend and cast one water than the cast of the ca tend and cast one vote. Every local or County Union owning one share or more, is entitled to attend and cast one vote. Indiv-idual sharehoders, Co-operative Associations and Union organizations are urged to arrange for delegates to attend this meeting either in person or by proxy or delegate.

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