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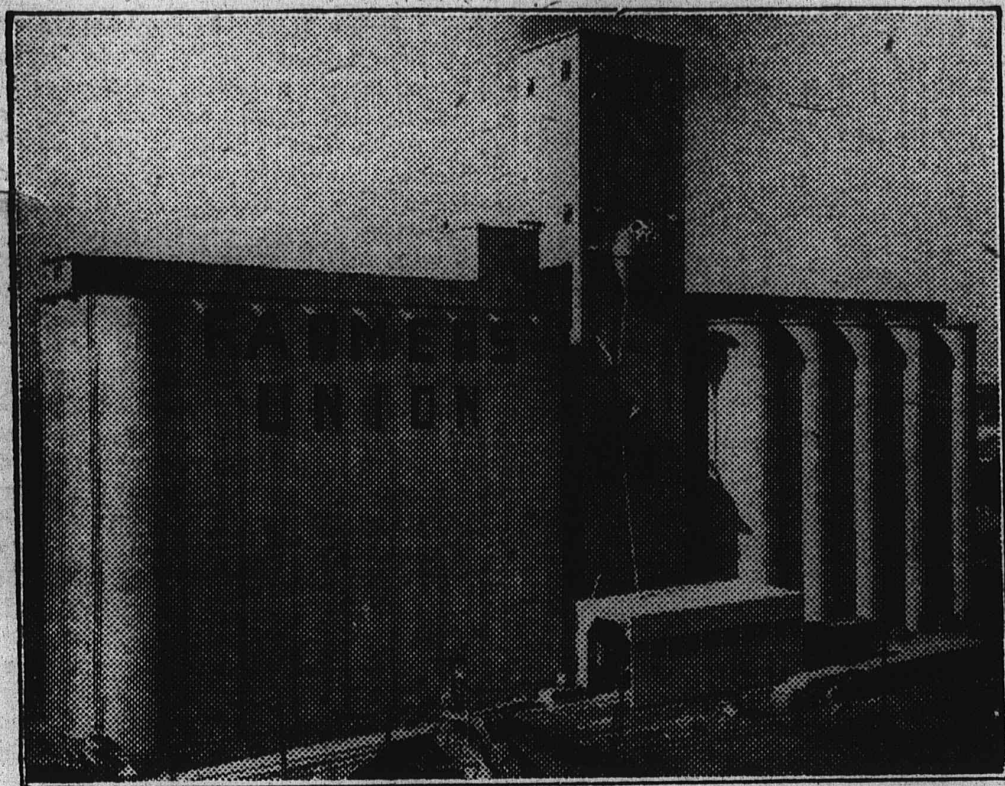
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## Kansas Markets Grain



This large Farmers Union Jobbing Association terminal elevator is located at Topeka, Kansas.

Through the coordinated program of the Farmers Union, this terminal will become as definitely a part of the total Farmers Union program as the facilities located in other areas.

## Farmers Union Expands Its Services

**Complete Insurance Coverage to be Offered by Kansas Farmers Union: Pictures in This Issue Tell Story of Growth and Expanding Services of Organization—An Increased Kansas Membership This Year**

The Kansas Farmers Union is definitely a part of the National Farmers Union. We plan to connect the insurance program of our state, with that of the National Farmers Union, in regard to property insurance, automobile insurance—in fact, all services offered by our Farmers Union Service Company, Incorporated, of Kansas.

The Kansas Farmers Union feels that development of this kind is a natural growth from the Local community, to the state level, and finally to the national organization. In this way and in no other, can our insurance programs and our cooperatives, obtain the full benefit of unified organization.

The pictures in this issue tell the story of the growth of the cooperative services offered by the Farmers Union. The services of the Farmers Union are steadily being expanded—the establishment of our present plants, lays the groundwork for our total program of marketing, and purchasing services.

The pictures of FUJA's terminal elevator in Topeka, the large Farmers Union terminal facilities owned by the farmers of the Northwest—the warehouses and elevator facilities of the newly organized Farmers Union Marketing Association of Colorado—all of these will give the reader a clearer picture of the scope of the work and of the services offered by the Farmers Union.

### Kansas F. U. Increases Membership

The Kansas Union is increasing its membership this year. On September 30, 1941 our membership was 3,034; the membership as of September 12, 1942 is 3,184 an increase of 150 members, with the remainder of the month during which new members will be

received. Our membership drive, which starts September 21 will result, it is expected, in a substantial increase in membership this year.

### Colorado Farmers Union to Expand

The National Farmers Union has given the Colorado Farmers Union authority to expand and organize in Wyoming, Utah, Arizona and New Mexico with the view of expanding the state organization to an Area-Unit known as the Rocky Mountain Farmers Union. This responsibility, accepted by the Colorado Union, makes it apparent that state lines have less and less meaning—scope and membership do have meaning.

### Farmers Union Sponsors Cooperatives

In Kansas, the Kansas Farmers Union through the past twenty-five years, has been active in sponsoring cooperatives and insurance programs in the state. Many of the local cooperatives in Kansas were originally sponsored by the Farmers Union. But, lacking a coordinated program in the past, many or most of these are now separate identities and cannot be

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## State Wide Membership Drive Begins Sept. 21

### District Conventions and Funds Round-Up Night Preceded Opening of Campaign for Increased Membership

Monday, September 21st, will mark the beginning of a state-wide four weeks' membership drive. The drive will end on Friday, October 16.

The five district conventions which preceded the drive, and the funds "round-up" campaign which was held on September 16, were successful events. Plans for the membership drive have been furnished to each local secretary and are to be turned over to the membership drive committee of each local. The names of those people on the membership drive committees, should be sent to the state office.

It is expected that this drive, which ends shortly before the State convention, will pay dividends in the form of many new members who, joining and augmenting the present membership of the Kansas Farmers Union, can assist cooperative development, as well as help in obtaining the legislative aid which is so necessary.

## Ellsworth County Farmers Co-Op Union Has Splendid Record of Achievement

**General Manager Pat Nash and Personnel of Organization Responsible for Past Success: Stockholders in Business Organization Must Be Members of Farmers Union**

In a story dealing with the Ellsworth County Farmers Cooperative Union, two outstanding facts must be mentioned. This successful cooperative has had, since its beginning in 1913, a clause in its by-laws which required Farmers Union membership before acceptance as a stockholder in the business organization. This clause has always been maintained, and before any stockholder can receive patronage earnings, he must have his dues paid in the Farmers Union.

Second, this cooperative is the first in the state to take the position that a portion of the cooperative's net earnings be set aside and allocated to an educational fund, which is divided between the local organization, the County, and the State Union. This year for the first time, a check for \$379.59 was received by the State Union, and was added to the state educational fund, under this ruling.

### The Ellsworth County Farmers

Cooperative Union is one of the most aggressive organizations in the state. The personnel of the cooperative and its efficient and successful general manager, Pat Nash, are constantly planning how the organization can build more effectively, and how expansion can be most valuable to the membership whom the cooperative serves. Manager Nash is also a member of the Board of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association.

On page three we show some pictures which will introduce some of the persons responsible for this organization's success. A picture of Mrs. Will Hysell, County Director of Education, does not appear due to Mrs. Hysell's absence at the time the snap-shots were obtained.

Too much emphasis can not be placed upon the important part which Mrs. Hysell's work has had, in the four years during which she has had this position. Her department, under her direction, has always been ready to cooperate with the members of the business organization in any project in which the Junior activities could be of assistance.

### Origin in Farmers Union

Like so many cooperatives of Kansas, the Ellsworth County Farmers Cooperative Union traces its origin back to the Farmers Union. Many Farmers Union Locals were organized during the latter part of 1913 in Ellsworth County.

ty, P. S. Harper was the principal organizer. These locals immediately started cooperative purchasing through a business agent.

On March 10th, 1914, a mass meeting of the locals in the county was held in Armory Hall (now the Golden Bell Theater) of Ellsworth. James Reardon, then president of Mud Creek Local, called the meeting to order. The State Farmers Union President Maurice McAuliffe, was present to organize a county union. Chester Chapman was appointed to act as temporary secretary, Smith Hunter as temporary conductor and Frank Novak as temporary doorkeeper. Many farmers joined the Farmers Union at this meeting. The assembly elected James Reardon President of the county union, Smith Hunter, vice-president; R. H. Vance, secretary-treasurer; Oscar Knight as Conductor; Frank Novak, doorkeeper and Chester Chapman, county organizer and lecturer; R. H. Vance was also appointed as business agent. At this meeting the first committee on constitution and by-laws for a cooperative elevator was appointed. Rudolph Smichny, Wm. Thornburg, H. E. Kline, Wm. Bender and H. W. Schultz comprised the committee.

### A Meeting Is Called

Soon a meeting was called for those who wished to participate in the forming of a cooperative elevator company. James Reardon,

### IN CHARGE ELLSWORTH COUNTY COOPERTIVES



Pat Nash, General Manager Ellsworth County Farmers Cooperative Union, and Board Member, Farmers Union Jobbing Association.

John Shannon, R. H. Vance, Wm. Thornburgh, Edw. C. Burmeister, James Dolezal and Fred Kottman made up the first Board of directors. Many meetings were held by the board and other members of the Farmers Union. These meetings were for the purpose of laying the foundation for the form.

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### MRS. EDWARDS NAMED TO ADVISORY POSITION

Announcement was made this week in Washington of the appointment of Mrs. Gladys Talbott Edwards, educational director of the National Farmers Union, to become a member of the women's advisory committee of the Manpower commission. The appointment was made by Paul V. McNutt, Chairman of the Manpower Commission.

"I should like to tender you an appointment as a member of a women's policy committee to advise me as chairman of the War Manpower Commission regarding the most effective use of women in the war," McNutt's telegram said.

"This committee will be authorized to consider and make recommendations concerning major policy, particularly as they affect women. The meetings will be held in Washington as often as the committee may decide is necessary. I do hope you will find it possible to accept."

Mrs. Edwards advised Mr. McNutt that she would accept the appointment.

## Discuss Important Issues At District Conventions

**Every Kansas Local Urged to Send Full Representation to State Convention—Cooperative Development Stressed at Meetings**

By E. K. DEAN, President Kansas Farmers Union

Salina, Kans., Sept. 13—Four of the Farmers Union District Conventions scheduled for this month have already been held. The meetings have received the same good interest among those attending as was shown last year. Crowds were somewhat limited due to the many farmers being so far behind with their work.

Many important issues were discussed in each convention including the proposed anti-inflation program of the administration, the whole farm labor situation, the tax phase of the administration's anti-inflation program, a graduated land tax and homestead tax exemption law was discussed and also the present Farm Bureau law as it exists in Kansas.

Considerable time was taken in the conventions in the discussion of the development of cooperatives and the organization and educational work of the Farmers Union.

In each of the District Conventions different recommendations and proposals were made in relation to all of the above mentioned issues. In as much as the final Farmers Union state program is drafted at the state convention at which time all of the recommendations by the various districts are considered in the

four conference groups, we have decided not to give any publicity to the proposed plans, other than a letter to the secretaries of all Farmers Union locals. In this letter to local secretaries we will furnish information regarding the proposals, in the various district conventions. In the letter we are asking each local secretary to present the recommendations and proposals to a meeting of their local sometime before the state convention.

Each local is urged to discuss thoroughly all of these important issues and send the delegates to the state convention well informed as to the attitude of the people in regard to them.

Every member of the Farmers Union in Kansas is urged to attend the local meetings at which these points are discussed. The discussions should be participated in by every member present, so that the final recommendations will reflect completely the desires and needs of our membership.

Each local is urged to make plans to send a full delegation from their local to this year's state convention. There never has been a time in this country that farmers were more in need of an organization such as the Farmers Union than they are at the present time. There never was a time when the members of this organization needed to do more careful planning than is necessary this year. The program of the Kansas Farmers Union adopted in convention each year is YOUR program.

Be sure that your local is adequately represented in the state convention and that those representing you take definite part in forming the state program.

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### FARMERS UNION BROADCAST SEPTEMBER 26

Members National Junior Council To Be On Blue Network

Mrs. Gladys T. Edwards, National Director of Education, Esther Ekblad, Kansas, Mildred K. Stolz, Montana, and Francis W. Butts, North Dakota, will be heard on the broadcast of Farmers Union Hour on the Blue Network, Saturday, September 26, at 11:30 A. M.

In Kansas, this program will be broadcast over WREN, Lawrence. Listeners in the western part of the state may hear it from KOA, Denver.



## Neighborhood Notes

### LOCAL 1848 MEETS AT MANKATO

Local No. 1848 held their meeting at the home of our President, Clarence Proctor, August 28. The meeting was called to order by Vice-president George Wharton. Paul Heiman, our secretary, read the minutes of the last meeting. Mr. and Mrs. Rollo Henningsen of Ionia Local were our guests. Mr. Henningsen gave a talk on the Junior Camp which was at Abilene in August.

Mrs. Henningsen gave an interesting talk about the camp, also. Gene Proctor gave a very good talk on his trip to the Junior camp. Byron McNabb is a delegate from our Local and Rollo Henningsen will represent the Local of which he is a member. They will go to Osborne September 8 to the district convention meeting.

Plans were made to have a box supper at Lamb School House September 16 and a dance at Lyman Hanson's, September 12, will be a barn dance to help to get funds for our Local. After the business meeting ice cream and cake were served. Those present were Clarence Proctor and family, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Heiman, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Howell, George Wharton and sons, Byron McNabb and children, Mr. and Mrs. Rollo Henningsen, Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Hanson and daughters.

All adjourned saying they had a good time. The next meeting and box supper will be September 16 at Lamb School House—everyone is urged to come and bring a box or plate lunch, fixed for one or two.

Mrs. George Wharton.

### BLACK WOLF PICNIC

The Black Wolf Local, Ellsworth County, held a picnic August 9, under the Cottonwoods at the home of Frank Toman. It was a lovely day and all the families of members but three were present. The Juniors had their fill of ice-cream and pop which was furnished by the local.

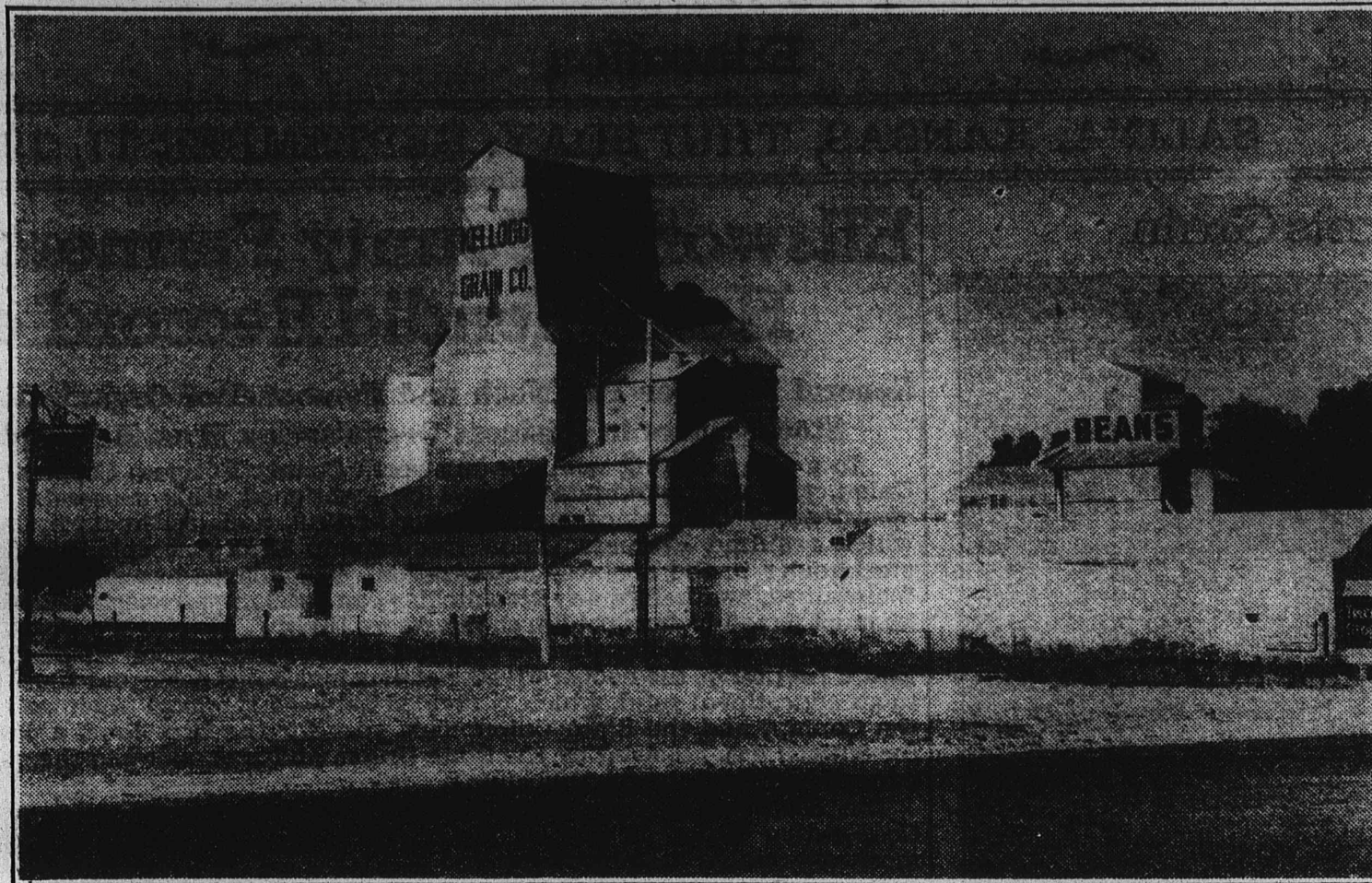
Besides the picnic an August meeting of the local was held. This was well attended and Junior, Junior Reserve and Juvenile classes were held with much interest shown by all. Hubertine Mog gave a report on the week spent at the camp in Abilene. The local members appreciated having the report, and all were pleased to learn that Hubertine was to attend the All-State Summer School.

### A DANCE AT SOLOMON

Solomon, Kans., Sept. 15—As their contribution to the Funds Roundup program on Wednesday night, September 16, a Farmers Union group here, headed by Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Renzmeier, are planning a modern and old time dance at Tuft's Hall.

Music will be by the Club Rhythm Orchestra, of Clyde, Kansas. Two Free prizes will be presented

## This Plant Will Also Carry the Farmers Union Name



The Farmers Union Marketing Association recently purchased the land and facilities of the Kellogg Grain Company in Denver. These facilities will provide storage for approximately 125,000 bushels of grain and beans and warehouse space for tons upon tons of concentrates and processed feeds. It is located on East 46th Avenue, just across from the new Colorado Farmers Union office building.

Operation of the plant under our management started on July 18. A crew of 15 men is employed. These employees include the manager of the unit, Boyd Bailey; his assistant, H. E. Kortez; and two highly recommended animal nutrition men, Earl Reeves and Alton Gamble. These elevator facilities can serve a large area.

Photo by Jarrett

## FARMERS UNION EXPANDS ITS SERVICES

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considered as added strength in support of our total Farmers Union program. The present plans of the national and state organization do not allow for a disassociated, loosely connected group of this kind.

### Fire, Hail, Wind F. U. Insurances

Changes have been made in the structure of policies, in the cooperative fire insurance company of Colorado. The latest step includes the reincorporation of the company under the uniform mutual law. This permits the company broader powers and it allows Farmers Union entrance in other Farmers union states which will invite this cooperative service. Thus, this service can be carried into Wyoming, New Mexico and other bordering states, including Kansas, as the field of organization is broadened. For several years this company, operating on a rate structure of 50 per cent of stock company rates, has saved farm members over 50 per cent of premiums, while building approximately \$100,000 in surplus and reserves. Its greatest growth is taking place this year. In spite of its success, this cooperative has remained a strictly FARMERS UNION organization. It has never been ungrateful to its Farmers Union sponsorship.

### Health and Accident and Auto Insurance

Since 1934 accident insurance has been offered to Colorado Farmers Union members. The Farmers Union auto insurance program has been developed as a cooperative company, as the Farmers Union Service, Inc., in Colorado. In Kansas, the newly organized Farmers Union Service Company, Incorporated has been recently organized, and sound insurance coverage and protection is received at wholesale through one of the stronger companies in the United States and one that offers claims service in every state in the union. The premium on the insurance is competitive with all low-premium companies. The insurance is sound and it is planned that in the future our Kansas Farmers Union Service Company can join the insurance program of the national organization, in order to obtain more strength for further development.

### Fine Co-op Development at Ellsworth

In this issue of the Kansas Union Farmer, we tell the story which lies behind the fine cooperative development in Ellsworth County, under the leadership of the Ellsworth County Farmers Union Cooperative Association.

This is an example of a splendid Local cooperative, which, closely affiliated with the Farmers Union at the state level, is an integral part of the total Farmers Union program at a national level. A chain is as strong as its weakest link, and assiduous attention to the development of our cooperative development in our local communities, means a strong, useful national Farmers Union organization which can be a potent force in the battle of the family-type farmer, and even democracy itself, for survival.

The National war debt now represents a personal obligation of \$634 each for every man, woman and child in the United States.

## Farm Families Attend Big Pie Social

Topeka, Kans., Sept. 9

Invitations to attend an old-fashioned pie social have been sent to over 300 farm families in Shawnee County by the Elevation Farmers Union of Kansas, and the Pauline Farmers' Union.

The pie event will take place in the Hotel Jayhawk, September 16, and will be high-lighted by a program that will begin at 8:30 and have M. D. (Buck) Sebring, as auctioneer. There will also be community singing and a special radio broadcast at 9 p. m. over Station WIBW. Listening to this program will be part of the program of more than 100 other pie socials all over the state.

The event is being sponsored by the Elevation Farmers Union Local and the Pauline Farmers Union. James G. Patton, national president of the Farmers Union, E. K. Dean, state Farmers Union President and Cal Ward, Regional FSA Director, will be speakers.

A dance will accompany the pie social and plenty of ice cream is promised to go with the pies.

All farmers in the Shawnee County district are invited to bake a pie and bring their families and friends to Topeka for this event.

## A Message to the Farmers of Spain

### National President Patton Warns Spanish Farmers of Impending Nazi Collapse

Washington, Sept. 1—The following message from James G. Patton, President of the National Farmers Union (Farmers Educational and Cooperative Union of America), has been sent to the farmers of Spain:

To the Farmers of Spain:

To the working farmers of Spain who cherish in their hearts a love of the land and of their fellow man, I send the greetings of working farm families who are members of the Farmers Educational and Cooperative Union of America. I wish to address to you an appeal, a friendly warning, and a promise:

Recruiting agents from Nazi Germany are circulating among you in Spain, offering rosy promises of employment at good wages, with good food, good quarters, good working conditions in the factories and on the farms of the third Reich. They are promising sports, radio, music. They urge you to leave your families, the soil you know and your native country for these false offers.

They do not tell you that the whole third Reich is one prison camp of terror and slavery, that for the non-Aryan workers imported from other lands there are no fine salaries, no sports, no music, no abundance of food. They do not tell you that the hours of work are from dawn to dark and that even their own Aryan workers are no better off than the millions of aliens who have been imported to take the place of millions of Germans sent to the fighting fronts. They do not tell you that every Spanish worker lured to Germany will become a hostage. You will become slaves to help enslave others.

They do not tell you that the bombing of the industrial cities and towns of Germany by the planes of the United Nations is increasing. They do not mention the thousand-plane bombing of Cologne, the repeated pounding of Hamburg, Lubeck, Bremen, Duisburg, Essen and many other cities.

Don't be enticed into Germany for wages and food and clothes

and music you will never get. Don't leave your homeland.

I must warn you that the production of planes, of tanks, of guns and of ships is rising in the United States and that it will continue to rise until the United Nations break and crush the Nazis. Don't expose yourselves to the bombs and the bullets that we will throw in over growing volume against the Nazis.

Nazi Germany's cause is not your cause, farmers of Spain. Hoe your own row and prepare for the day of liberation.

James G. Patton,  
President Farmers  
Educational and Co-  
operative Union of  
America.  
536 Munsey Building,  
Washington, D. C.

## For Cow and Sow and Hen

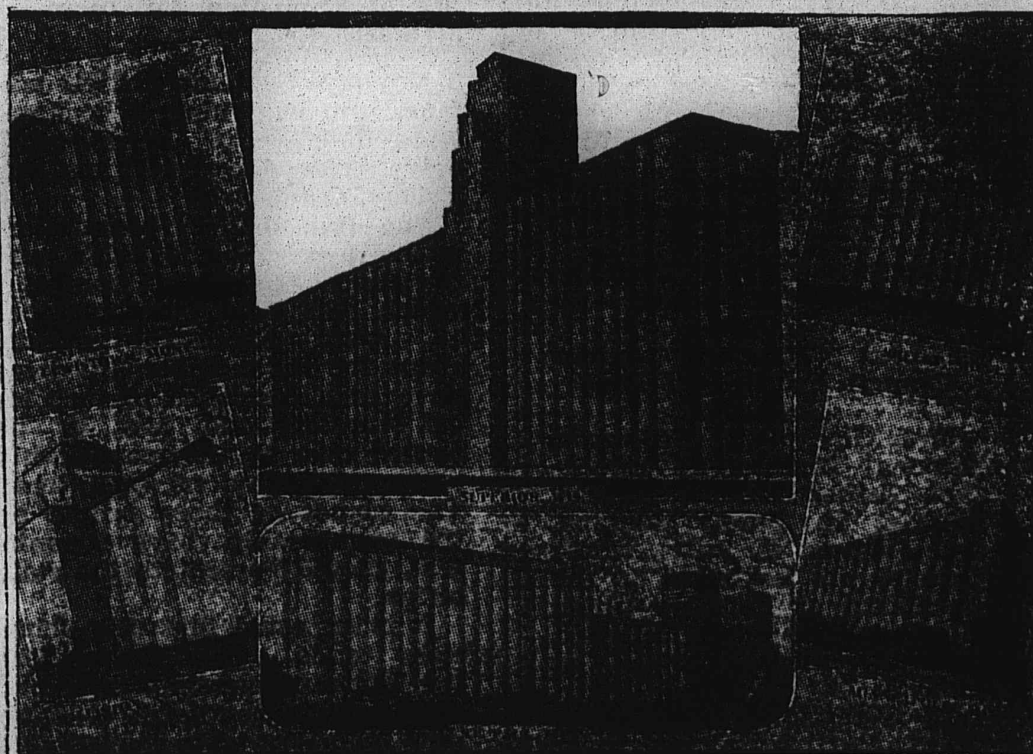


The Farmers Union Marketing Association in Colorado has warehouse space for tons of feed materials—poultry meals, cotton-seed cake, soybean meal, tankage, alfalfa-loaf meal, etc., are carried in stock. This building is 275 feet long.

Farmers Union communities can be served from this warehouse or concentrates can be moved to these communities directly from the source of supply.

Photo by Jarrett

## The North Leads in This Field



Millions upon millions of bushels of storage space for grains—owned by farmers! Here are shown some of the larger Farmers Union terminal facilities owned by the farmers in the Northwest. The latest addition at Superior, Wisconsin, has a capacity of over five million bushels. Grain barges can load at the rate of 25,000 bushels per hour.



# ELLSWORTH COUNTY CO-OP HAS SPLENDID RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENT

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ing of what is now known as the Ellsworth County Farmers Cooperative Union. No record of the minutes of these meetings is available as the minutes were probably lost. However, some of the men who attended the meetings at that time declare they were intensely interesting and inspirational to family type farmers interested in working out their marketing problems unselfishly and cooperatively. Stock was subscribed for in the locals on subscription blanks furnished by the organization board.

The Charter for the Ellsworth County Farmers Cooperative Union was received on the 7th day of May 1914. May 11th, 1914 a stockholders' meeting was held to elect a board of directors. The first board consisted of the following members: James Reardon, Wm. Thornburgh, Chester Chapman, Louis Vancura, Rudolph Smischny, Ed Querry and H. E. Kline.

## Co-op's History Begins

Thus we have the history of the launching of the cooperative known as the Ellsworth County Farmers Cooperative Union. We might wind the story up there by saying nothing spectacular has happened—the board of directors functioned well as did each succeeding board—the cooperative sails steadily on at an even keel doing the work for which it was established. Not all the sailing has been smooth. So much effort has been involved in making the dreams of those early meetings come true, that step by step should be recorded for inspiration, to the generations to follow, as to what can be accomplished by individuals working together.

May 23rd, 1914, the organization contracted the building of the Ellsworth Elevator to the Van Ness Construction Company of Wichita, Kansas.

## A Plan Which Didn't Materialize

At the time the Ellsworth Elevator was built, the foreman of the construction company told the board of directors, that "a Wichita grain man told me to build the farmers at Ellsworth a good elevator, because they would own it in ten years."

Due to the loyal patronage of the stockholders, the Wichita grain man's dream did not come true.

## Additions To the Co-op.

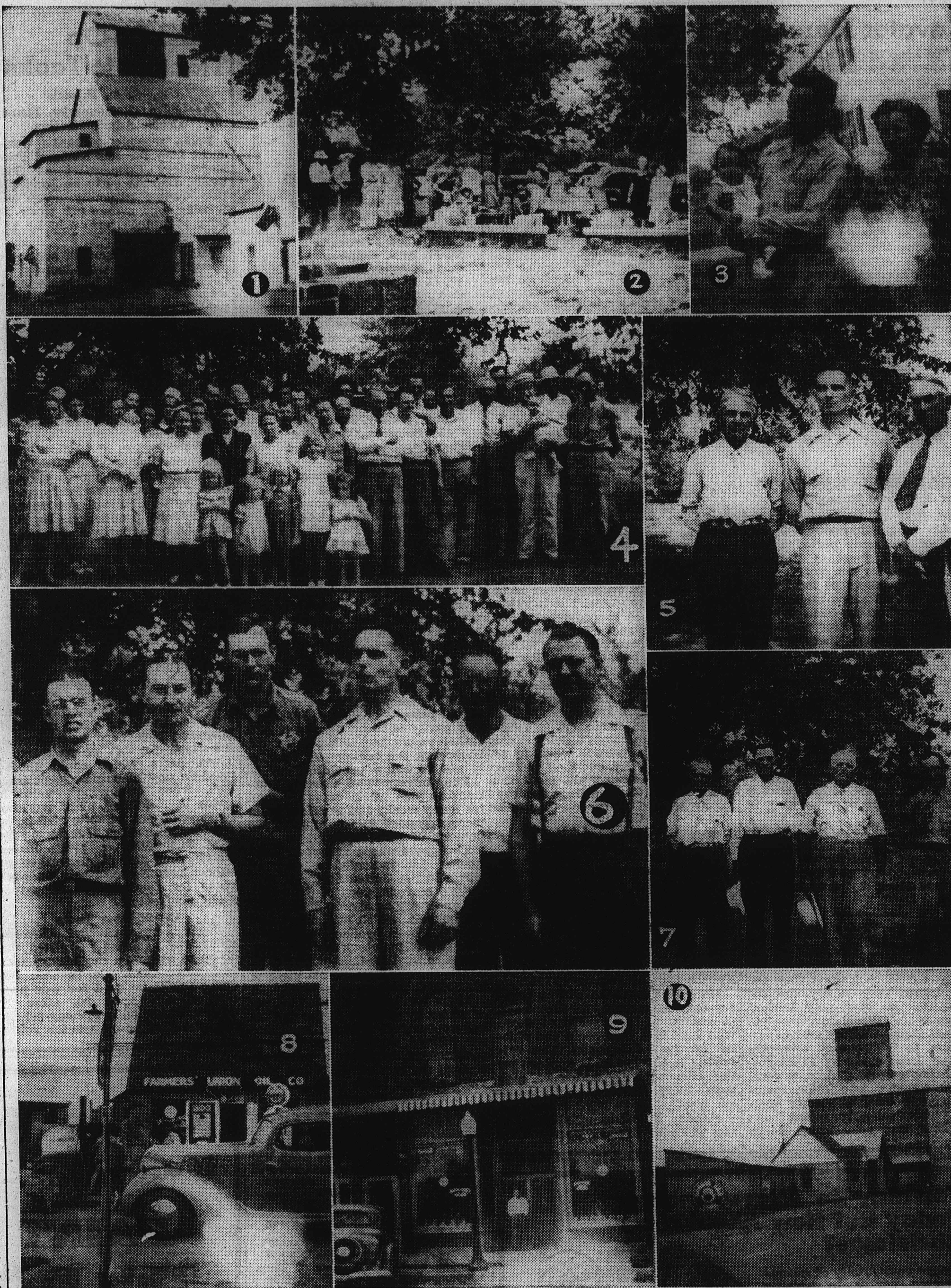
The elevator, warehouses and office were constructed at that time at a cost of \$8,215.18. The coal sheds were constructed a little later at a cost of \$1,370.00. Many later additions in buildings and equipment have been added to keep the structure modern or nearly modern in every way. The elevator today has a grinding room equipped with both a hammer mill and roller-mill—bins for storing the various chops as well as bins for receiving the loading out custom-grinding for the patrons bringing in grains to be ground. The grain elevator is equipped with double legs with high speed cups for fast elevation. A dust control system was installed in 1937, a new Webb City 34 foot, 25 ton truck scales and additional storage space 12,000 bushels was added before harvest in 1941. The present capacity of the elevator is now 60,000 bushels. The Ernest Engineering Company of Topeka, constructed a mixing plant in the spring of 1942. This mixing plant is compact, convenient and a labor savor in every way. It contains a small elevator leg for elevating the feed to the mixer and also from the mixer to bins over head where the feed can be stored and sacked out. The Ellsworth elevator has three trucks for local and long distance hauling.

Robert Vance was the first manager of the elevator, followed by Joe Kvasnicka, Dennis Richter, L. A. Daniels, Richmond Eagleton, Tom Ewing and the present manager, P. J. Nash.

## A New Elevator

The Webber elevator in Kanopolis was leased in the latter part of May, 1914. This elevator was operated until the present elevator at Kanopolis was purchased from Harry Work & Co., on April 15th, 1915 at a purchase price of \$7,000.00 and other personal property in the Webber elevator. This elevator is located on the Union Pacific side track, east of the business district in Kanopolis. Like the Ellsworth elevator, the Kanopolis elevator has been kept up-to-date by the organization. A new office building was constructed in 1940 as well as coal sheds with capacity to handle the large volume that comes to this elevator. The Ernest

# The Kansas Farmers Union Introduces Another Fine Cooperative Organization, Ellsworth County Farmers Cooperative Union



(1) Ellsworth County Farmers Cooperative Union Elevator, at Ellsworth. (2) Picnic, Employees and Directors of Ellsworth County Farmers Cooperative Union, with officers of Locals, on Sunday, August 30, at Ellsworth Park. (3) Pat Nash, Manager Ellsworth County Farmers Cooperative Union, Mrs. Nash, and youngest daughter, Nancy, Patsy, their other daughter, who is four years old, does not appear in the picture. (4) View of entire group at picnic. (5) Left to right: Bet Harmon, President Ellsworth County Farmers Cooperative Union, and Kansas Farmers Union State Board member; Pat Nash, manager of the organization and Board member of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association; and Ernest Palmquist, President Ellsworth County Farmers Union. (6) Left to right: Ralph Hurley, Manager Kanopolis elevator; Grant Gwinner, Bookkeeper, Gilbert Suelter, Manager oil station; Pat Nash, General Manager; Pete Schwerdtfeger, Manager Cream and Produce Department and Frank Adamek, Manager Ellsworth County Farmers Cooperative Union Grocery Store. (7) President and Members of Board of Ellsworth organization: Left to right, Bert Harmon, President, Emil Stroede, Henry Scheuch, Joe Prochaska. A fifth Board member, Herman Kohles, was absent. (8) Farmers Union Oil Station at Ellsworth, Gilbert Suelter, Manager (9) Farmers Union Store at Ellsworth, the grocery department of Ellsworth organization. Frank Adamek, Manager, standing in store entrance. (10) Farmers Union Elevator at Kanopolis, a part of the Ellsworth County Farmers Cooperative Union.

Engineering Company of Topeka also constructed an additional 15,000 bushel of storage space to this elevator and a grinding addition in 1941. The first manager of the Kanopolis elevator was Joe Kasper, followed by Ed Vlcek, Fred Reardon, Geo. Watson, Richmond Eagleton, Tom Ewing, Louis Allen, Austin Huggins and the present manager Ralph Hurley.

## Enter Grocery Business

The organization entered the grocery and dry goods business on the 21st day of August 1916. The store building was leased from Owen Foran. Stock in the amount of \$3,000 was subscribed through the locals for this purpose. The dry goods department was discontinued in 1918. The first manager

of the store was S. S. Shaver, followed by John Vadar, Oden Culbertson, Geo. W. Richter, Richmond Eagleton, James Novak, Fritz Pflughoeft and the present manager Frank Adamek. A refrigerator meat counter and a cold storage room for meats was added to the store equipment in 1941. This modern meat department does a thriving business.

## A Bulk Gas Station

The company started the operation of a bulk gasoline station in May, 1930. This department keeps two trucks busy hauling its products to the members and patrons. The Service Station department was added in 1933. Several addi-

tions in buildings have been made since that time. A new greasing, washing and servicing building was built in 1941. This building is equipped with an electric car lift and other automatic servicing equipment. The first manager was Art Shannon, followed by Tom Ewing, Mart Gwinner, Joe Polach, Gerhard Haase, and the present manager Gilbert Suelter.

The company purchased the Midway elevator in August 1914 and it was discontinued in 1920. The Janzen elevator was purchased in 1915 and discontinued in 1920. The Grillville store was purchased in 1917 and sold to the Grillville Local in 1918. Farm implements department was started in 1917 and

was discontinued in 1919. In 1919 a cream station was started and discontinued in 1925. In the late spring of this year (1942) the organization again started a cream and produce station in connection with the grocery store and under the management of Pete Schwerdtfeger, this department has been doing a very good volume of business.

## Now Serves 385 Members

The organization began operations with a membership of 150 and now serves 385 members.

The first bookkeeper of the organization was H. A. Cliningsmith, followed by Mary Schneider, Dinfired Mason, Mrs. L. A. Daniels, (Please Turn to Page Six)



# Day by Day with FUJA

By HELEN DENNEY

## Elevator Manager Turnover

To keep up with the whereabouts of the managers of our member elevators these days one has to follow the army, the navy, the air corps, the marines, and all the defense industries!

George Watson, manager at Clifton, has left for the Navy and V. B. Moyer, former manager at Alta Vista has taken his place, leaving Mr. Andrews in charge at Alta Vista. . . Chris. Dunn, manager at Udall, left his place there to go to Wichita to work in an aircraft plant. . . Manager A. H. Sauvin of Maple Hill returned to his former place at Agenda. . . Ed Bergmann, long the manager at Axtell is soon to retire to look after his farm. . . Leonard Vance, formerly at Walnut, has been in Parsons for over a year but is back now as manager at Walnut.

Vacancies as elevator managers, in happier days, meant opportunities for capable Farmers Union Junior Grown-ups, but young men between 22 and 32 are seldom available now as they are away defending, among other things, our privilege to operate a cooperative! May God speed their safe return!

## COAL BUSINESS GOOD—But Not Good Enough!

The first of September found FUJA'S coal shipments 300 cars ahead of the same period a year ago, but still short of the goal of 1,000 cars for the year.

Farmer members of local cooperatives should store all the coal they can now on the farm and give their dealers orders for what they will need to carry them through the winter so that coal dealers can anticipate their requirements and place their orders at once.

Already the pinch—that promises to be a "clamp" before cold weather really arrives is being felt. Cars are difficult to secure for shipping coal, and the mines are swamped with orders and short handed due to many being inducted into the service of our country and many others now working in defense plants.

Farmers can be a big help to their local cooperative coal dealer, to FUJA as a distributor, and to the mines—to say nothing of helping themselves, by ordering coal NOW!

## LOAN WHEAT MOVEMENT SLOW

Permits for the shipment of storage wheat to Kansas City are being issued very slowly, due, of course, to the extremely limited storage space. Warehouse receipts on what storage wheat arrives are returned to the country promptly and the loans made by FUJA follow through in good time. Several of our elevator association members have themselves become lending agencies for government loans on wheat this year which keeps

them in close touch with their members. It is to be hoped that farmers will continue to make their loans through their cooperatives, either local or regional. It saves money for them and keeps the business in THEIR OWN HANDS.

## LIEUTENANT NEATH MARRIED

An announcement has been received in the Kansas City office of FUJA of the marriage of Lieutenant Harry L. Neath, former bookkeeper now in the United States Army, to Frances Bethel Pratt of Kansas City on Saturday, September 5, at Camp Atterbury, Indiana, where Lieutenant Neath is now stationed. All good wishes are extended to the young people.

## FUJA EMPLOYEES TO TOPEKA FOR BROADCAST

Kansas City and Topeka employees of FUJA plan to join with members of Topeka Elevator Local No. 1916 and the Pauline Farmers Elevator and Supply Association to make the Kansas Farmers Union Membership and Funds Roundup night on September 16 in Topeka a big success. The meeting is scheduled at the Jayhawk hotel from which place will be made the state-wide broadcast over WIBW of addresses by James G. Patton, National Farmers Union President; C. A. Ward, Regional Director of FSA; and E. K. Dean, President, Kansas Farmers Union.

Getting pies made (it is rumored that some aren't doing their own baking!) boxed, working at the office all day, and then making a two-hour drive, won't spoil the pleasure in the meeting for the young women in the K. C. office.

## TO HONOR CHARTER MEMBERS OF FUJA

Charter members of Farmers Union Jobbing Association, those foresighted farmers who so sincerely believed in the possibilities of cooperative activity, back on June 12, 1914, will be honored guests at the next annual meeting of the Association to be held in Kansas City in February, 1943.

Many of these men will be present only in memory as they have passed on to the reward of those who love and believe in the ability of their fellowmen. The following is the list as it appears on the charter with addresses also listed there. Manager H. E. Witham would like to have those who are today living in or near Kansas write to him at Kansas City

giving him their present correct addresses.

John Frost, Blue Rapids  
Herman Stelter, Minneapolis  
Victor Rogniat, Longford  
William Wedd, Oak Hill  
T. C. Cook, Lost Springs  
A. J. Wempe, Frankfort  
S. I. Wilkins, Hoxie  
Thomas Hayes, Ellis  
Frank Andrews, Bern  
Maurice McAuliffe, Salina  
R. O. Morgan, Moreland  
Fred Chiblen, Miltonvale  
B. B. Schaffer, Lucas  
A. C. Gary, Minneapolis  
A. H. Root, Ellsworth  
M. H. Rice, Delphos  
C. A. Monroe, Americus  
W. C. Lansdon, Salina  
C. E. Brasted, Logan  
J. H. Deatrick, Collier  
C. C. Kilian, Green  
T. J. Hogan, Greenleaf  
R. H. Vance, Ellsworth  
A. S. Hunter, Ellsworth  
John Tromble, Beloit  
S. H. Long, Lincoln  
Roy Schmitt, Fairview  
Frank Mooney, Jamestown  
D. E. Rodgers, Concordia  
Frank Odette, Jamestown  
J. P. Rossillon, Olpe  
F. W. Huseman, Geneseo  
H. C. Coester, Walnut  
W. L. Hughes, Marquette  
James Reardon, Ellsworth  
F. U. Mills, Alexander  
B. A. Moore, Girard

## MARKET LETTER

By ART RILEY

Salina, Kans., Sept. 14—The wheat market the past week extended its rally about 2c per bushel. The President's Labor Day speech gave evidence that he had no ideas of depressing farm prices and that probably there would be a ceiling on agricultural products at 100 percent of parity. Just how this parity is to be figured is still rather vague, but it is felt by the trade that the ceiling will certainly not be below prevailing levels.

Four buyers were extremely active the past week—more so than for many weeks and the flour sales were expanded to from 200 to 250 percent of mill capacity.

The government report of September 1st indicated a crop of wheat in the United States of 981,783,000 bushels. Corn of 3,015,915,000 and a soy bean crop of 211,452,000 bushels, which is almost twice the final bean production of 1941. This is a tremendous crop of grain along with the Canadian report which shows an estimated yield of 615,000,000 bushels this year.

There has been increased selling of wheat by growers as the market has approached the loan level and we believe that the selling will continue at least on a moderate scale if the market will allow prevailing prices to be paid.

## From Co-Op Tractors to Tanks

By G. M. Francis

Agricultural Economist, Farm Credit Administration

From tractors to tanks was a short step for the National Farm Machinery Cooperative at Shelbyville, Ind. As early as June 1941 this tractor assembly co-op was turning out armament work for tank manufacturers, side by side with tractors.

More than 2 years of successful operation of its own factory lies behind this latest help to win the war. The association, with initial paid-in capital of only \$50,000, began to assemble tractors in January, 1940. Almost immediately the tractor program was affected by the National Defense program. Scarcity of materials and machined parts limited operations to such an extent that the association bought and operated its own machine shop.

By the spring of 1941 rationing and priorities on steel for arms manufacturing began to threaten tractor production seriously, so the cooperative obtained subcontracts for defense production. Its foresight in previously equipping its plant with machine tools enabled it to undertake its first armament contracts on tank production in June 1941. The succeeding months of that year saw more and more armament work for tank manufacturers and fewer farm tractors assembled in the Shelbyville plant.

With the outbreak of war in December 1941 and Government rationing of tractor output, the National Farm Machinery Cooperative obtained little preference on steel for tractors. It had on hand, however, necessary parts, including tires, for 141 co-op tractors. These parts, which could not be used on any machine except tractors, were occupying valuable space in the small plant working on tank orders. In spite of this, no tractors were assembled during the first 3 months of 1942, during which time the plant worked as subcontractor exclusively on tank parts for four different armament contractors.

### On 24-Hour Basis

Finally, in April 1942, Government war agencies permitted the co-op to assemble the 141 tractors and move them out so that the space might be used for war production. On April 30, after 20 days working on a 24-hour schedule, the last co-op tractor rolled

off the assembly line. From January 1940 to April 1942—a period of 2 years and 4 months—the co-op turned out approximately 750 tractors, although during much of this period it was unable to operate because it lacked the necessary materials.

At the present time the plant employs work 24 hours a day on its million dollar armament contracts, but the regional supply cooperatives in every section of the country, which founded this machinery cooperative, are still making plans for a tractor program as soon as the war ends. The plant has acquired new space and equipment for completing its tank contracts, which, together with its experienced personnel and technical improvements, will make it easier to resume tractor production.

The cooperative tractor was built to help to reduce farm machinery costs. In line with this is the distribution and maintenance services now furnished by hundreds of local supply cooperatives. With new machinery growing scarce, these associations are making every effort to provide full repair services on tractors and other farm implements.—News for Farmer Cooperatives.

## WICKARD COMMENTS ON PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Washington, D. C., Sept. 7—Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard today made the following comment on President Roosevelt's message to Congress:

"The President's request for stabilization of wages, prices and profits will have the approval of an overwhelming majority of the American people, including the farmers.

"In two previous public statements, I have said that I thought Section 3 of the Price Control Act no longer was needed to protect agriculture. I am sure that it should not be permitted to block the President's efforts to act on the entire economic front.

"I think it extremely significant that the President has in mind stabilization for agriculture in the post-war period. Speaking from my experience, I believe that most farmers are getting along fairly well now and that they will go ahead confidently if they feel they will be protected after the war ends.

"I am glad that the President recognizes the importance of agricultural production and stresses the increasing seriousness of the farm labor situation."

## You May Be Warm Enough Today But How About Next Christmas?

Assure your family of a comfortable winter by storing your next winter's supply of coal this summer. Think of the tremendous tonnage of coal that must be furnished to defense plants—and the many thousands of workmen employed in these defense plants causing a shortage of labor in coal mines—and think of the demands on the railroads. Play safe and

## BUY YOUR COAL NOW THROUGH YOUR LOCAL COOPERATIVE

This coal business adds materially to the yearly income of cooperatives which have facilities to handle it, so be sure to buy your coal cooperatively. You build savings for yourself when you buy from yourself.

As a registered coal distributor, we can get coal from any mine for your dealer at the same price it can be purchased direct from the mine. We are distributors of Kansas, Colorado, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Illinois and Missouri coals, and for Standard Briquets.

## Farmers Union Jobbing Association

KANSAS CITY, MO.  
Telephone Victor 5781



Nation-wide muster of American homes to determine the extent to which they are participating in the total war offensive and making necessary air raid precautions will be conducted on a house to house basis under instructions issued by the OCD.

Local defense officials are authorized to award a "V Home" certificate, design of which is shown above, to any home which has made such air raid precautions as are deemed necessary locally and which asserts that it has participated in certain practical measures to strengthen the war effort. These measures include conservation, salvage, refusal to spread rumors designed to divide the nation, and regular purchases of War Savings Stamps and Bonds.

Don't put it off—

## PAINT This Fall



Clear, cool, still, dry, autumn days lie ahead, and that is ideal painting weather. Perhaps a fresh coat of paint on the barn won't make your cows more contented or increase your butterfat production. Maybe the "coats" of paint you put on your house won't make it any warmer. But it is guaranteed to give you and your family a real lift for beauty and cleanliness affect everyone whether they know it or not.

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Boost your home defense morale by protecting and beautifying your home and farm buildings with fresh paint this fall. Order it at once while paint remains plentiful. Your local dealer has or can get a complete line of KFU PAINTS through

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Juniors 16-21

ESTHER EKBLAD, DIRECTOR, Salina, Kansas  
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"He Loves His Country Best Who Strives to Make It Best"—Junior Motto.

## TREES

Somebody thinks you're big and fine;  
Why not be fine and big?  
Somebody thinks you a sturdy oak;  
Don't let him find you a twig  
Be great for those who think you great;  
To those who think you are small  
Be bigger still, for somebody cares  
And might fall if you chance to fall.

—Unknown

## A SHORT, SHORT SUMMARY

Junior Department news in the last two issues were reprints from the KFU Junior Camper, the official camp news bulletin which is published at every camp session. Those complete reports have left little more to be said about 1942 camping days, which we who were associated with them, will say were of the best. The new experiment of holding two sessions, one for Junior Reserves and Leaders, and the other for Juniors, worked out very satisfactorily. The groups were small and cooperation was at its height in spirit and action. The camp itself with squirrels busy in the mornings and owls hooting at night made us really feel that we'd hit for the woods. Recreation under the skilled leadership of Chester Graham was an experience in folk dancing and squares that camp students are still excitedly talking about. The Mary Dell Cooperative Store, organized the first day of each session, put cooperation into action and it wasn't just something we study in books. We found out how cooperation works even to the extent of paying patronage dividends and educational funds. The second week one and one-half cents was returned on every nickel's worth of business!



Esther Ekblad

## ALL-STATE AT JAMESTOWN

The new home of the North Dakota Farmers union provided a very friendly and homelike setting for the All-State Summer Session. There under one roof are the offices of the State Union, a large comfortable conference room, dining hall, kitchen, and a dormitory. The Farmers Union is finding that schools and conferences are an intrinsic part of our work, and places should be provided for such, now following the example set by North Dakota.

All-State again gave richly of lectures and discussions with leaders from the Farmers Union, from the government, from organized labor and other groups. All of these are well summarized in the reports written by Mrs. Olson and Hubertine Mog. Due to lack of space, we are unable to print both reports in this issue. The report written by Hubertine Mog will appear in our next paper.

One statement comes into the foreground of my thoughts as I write: Mr. Thatcher, National Legisla-

tive Chairman said: "We haven't time to be tired." The truth of that statement is almost frightening as we view the chaos in the world today. There is a heavy load of work for all of us, no small part of which is to maintain and strengthen our own organization, the Farmers Union.

## ANOTHER FIRST AIDER

Kansas campers this year had a chance to learn a few tricks in bandaging wounds and in giving other emergency treatment in case of accident or illness. All-State also offered a course in First Aid, and four of us by using odd moments in the camp schedule got in extra hours and we will get our certificates. We four surely recommend that everyone get First Aid training, not only to be prepared for possible war emergencies, but also in order to adequately care for home accidents. We feel that every farm mother should have the training, and by all means it should be a part of the training for the rural school teacher. When immediate care is needed, we in rural areas are often hours from a doctor. Proper care until the doctor arrives can do much to save lives and shorten periods of illness.

## TO STUDY CREDIT UNIONS

The Junior Cooperative Club at Dodge City will study the Farmers Union Credit Union Kit this winter. The club, which operates much as our Junior classes do, last season used our text "The Cooperative Movement—Yours and Mine." Plans for renewed activities and study material were made last Thursday, September 10, when I met with Mrs. Turley, the leader, and J. H. Dean, the Cooperative Exchange manager. A club picnic and class session was held in the evening. As sponsor of the club, Mr. Dean, a brother of our State President, has expressed gratitude for the help the Farmers Union can give them in an educational program. Our answer is that we are only too glad to help, and may we hear from Dodge City often.

## TUNE IN

Mildred K. Stoltz, Montana, Francis W. Butts, North Dakota, and your Education Director, will take part with Gladys Talbott Edwards in the Blue Network Farmers Union Broadcast, Saturday, September 26. The theme of the broadcast will be "Hats off to the past, coats off to the future." The time is 11:30 a. m. on any Blue Network Station. If you don't know where to find a Blue Network station on your radio, experiment by hunting for the daily Farm and Home Hour program.

## MANY THANKS

Where could one wish for a jollier birthday party than within the gates of a Farmers Union camp? That is what this writer was able to draw and the surprises and celebrating were done up to perfection. The decorated birthday cake made by Cookie and the beautiful initialed compact given to me by the campers was almost too nice to be true.

## KANSANS AND A PASSENGER FROM MARYLAND, WHO ATTENDED ALL-STATE SUMMER SESSION



Mrs. Chas. Olson, McPherson, Hubertine Mog, Ellsworth, Adrian Mayer, Annapolis, Maryland, (an All-State passenger to Columbus, Nebr.) and Esther Ekblad.

tem in order to help make it different. We do our best work when we come to hate a system which robs the lower two-thirds of our people. The one organization that has been hitting the ball for the farmers in the Farmers Union. Labor will always be supported, and labor will support agriculture. Again we were reminded that the local is the foundation of the Farmers Union. Every farm family wants to live in peace and security, and in order to have some of it we must not sit back, but fight. "There isn't time to be tired."

## Most People Don't Think

Glenn Talbott said farm people must stand up and be counted. So

far farmers have liked to pass the buck and run away from their problems. Most people don't think; all they do is to pull hair and rearrange prejudices. It is time that farmers make up their minds where they are going. We need a disciplined organization where each one learned to discipline himself by thinking.

"You and Your Government" class was held each afternoon, 2:00 to 3:00 p. m. with Under Secretary of Agriculture, Paul Appleby, and Dora B. Haines of R. E. A. as instructors. Mr. Appleby stressed the necessity of organized groups in order to get recognition in legislation. Mrs. Haines stressed the

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## Mrs. Charles Olson Reports On National Farmers Union Summer Session

McPherson County Education Director Attends Meeting at Jamestown, North Dakota

Monday morning, August 24, Miss Ekblad, Miss Mog of Ellsworth and I left Salina for Jamestown, North Dakota to attend the National Farmers Union Summer Session. Our trip there was very lovely as the weather was ideal for traveling, nothing eventful happening until somewhere in South Dakota, Chester Graham, National Fieldworker, passed us on his way to Jamestown. We spent the night at Huron, South Dakota, going on the next morning. We arrived in Jamestown about 3:30 Tuesday p. m. My first sight of Jamestown gave me a thrill of pleasure for it is a valley and is really a beautiful sight.

Arriving at the new North Dakota Farmers Union Building, which is very beautiful with the James River running along one side, we proceeded to register. We were assigned bunks in the dormitory and made up our beds. The dormitory is a long room running the full length of the dining room, which is in a basement. There are 45 bunks in the dorm, and there the women were taken care of, while the men were housed in cabin camps.

Everyone was interested in an inspection tour as soon as they could get cleaned up. After dinner it was my luck to get broken in to K.P. by washing dishes. This was the beginning of making new friends for it seems to me the easiest way to break the ice at camp the first evening is to work K.P.

N. D. State President Talbott Welcomes Group

That evening the group assembled in the conference room to be welcomed by Glenn Talbott, who is State President of North Dakota, and I assure you he is very proud of their new building, and he has every right to be. In welcoming us to All-State Summer Session Mr. Talbott said that we must train the people in the community to help us do the job. We must look ahead and not back, and that we learn through making mistakes. To build the Farmers Union is not enough. We must have an understanding membership if we are to solve our problems. People

must know what these problems are and this must come through education. They must see something in our cooperatives besides a dividend check.

## National President Patton Speaks to Group

Mr. James G. Patton, National President, then welcomed us. He said he thought the Farmers Union would only succeed as it takes on spiritual proportions, for if America is to succeed we are going to have to have a great social and spiritual awakening, and in this the Farmers Union can play a big part.

The staff was then introduced and each one present was asked to tell their name, where they came from, the name and number of their local. It turned out that a good number belonged to the famous 500 which is the North Dakota Headquarters Local, but no one seemed to know when they had all been together for a meeting. That caused much merriment. We then retired to the basement for a group of get-acquainted games; refreshments were served; taps sung, and everyone went to bed feeling we had known each other for much longer than just a few hours.

## Classes Begin

Wednesday morning our classes began in earnest. Gathering in the conference room we had assembly led by Mrs. Edwards each morning At 8:50 to 9:50 Discussion

Techniques was led by Chester Graham, National Fieldworker. In this class we learned how best to carry on group discussion, panel discussions, and how to select leadership on the right basis. We learned that it is not only the Farmers Union that is having difficulty in breaking into group thinking.

"Know Your Farmers Union" was our next class from 10:00 to 10:50. In this class we had several different instructors; each one gave us much from their own experiences. Mr. Patton said the basic structure of the Farmers Union is the local as the key unit, and the county organization as the strength in legislation. Our locals are inactive because we do not have an educated leadership in them. Our Leadership is incapable of keeping up with world problems. We need organizers who will think in terms of the organization, and a leadership that understands with a determination that a job can be done—and then really get it done.

From 11:00 to 11:50 the "World Today" class was held. Here again we had a different instructor each day. Friday morning, Mr. Thatcher, Legislative Chairman of the Farmers Union was our instructor. He said criticism makes us grow. We must hate the distribution sys-

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF COOPERATIVE STORE JUNIOR CAMP, AUGUST 17-22



Left to right front row: Keith Peterson, McPherson, Ralph Sjoström, Lindsborg. Back row: Bob Stockman, St. Marys, Henry Hysell, Ellsworth, Elvera Ahlstedt, Lindsborg, Frances Hohn, Ellsworth, Ethlyn Parry, Manhattan.

## All-State Summer Session 1942



One-hundred-ten people from eighteen states and the District of Columbia were registered at the camp. This is not all of the group but includes the students and some of the visitors.



# GOERING A CARTEL PARTNER

## Standard Oil Planned World Power

(This is the fifth of a series of articles describing in detail how cartel agreements between German and American companies have hindered the war effort.)

### Easy Money

By S. F. Porter

In June, 1934, only a few weeks before the infamous Nazi purge, Goering held a meeting at his feudal palace at 11A Leipziger Platz in Berlin. At the meeting was Herr Georg von Schmitzler, Farben's leading commercial man.

After a talk to the assembled industrialists and bankers, Goering told them the Nazi treasury needed 3,000,000 reichsmarks—and he asked for contributions.

While others hesitated, von Schmitzler made the first substantial contribution. He gave 1,000,000 reichsmarks, a third of the total asked without even bothering to consult his board.

Thus was the friendship between Farben and Hitler cemented, for this contribution impressed on Hitler's mind the importance of Farben to his dream of world conquest. From that moment on, Hitler was ready to work with—and for Farben to achieve his goal of a "New Order" (which was a Farben idea, anyway.)

### A Top Agent in the U. S.

After the June purge, Schmitz was named a member of the Hitler-appointed Reichstag, an honorary member of the Nazis and was appointed "War Economy Chief" by Hitler.

Karl Grauch, one of Farben's top men and today chairman of Farben's board, was named General Commissioner for the German chemical industry, the key position in the Reich's war economy.

Professor Beck, another Farben man, was placed in charge of war metal production.

Von Schmitzler's son-in-law, Dr. Herbert Scholtz, was sent to the U. S. as German consul general in Boston. Under that guise, he acted as top representative of the Nazi Secret Service in the U. S. until he was forced to leave this country on the SS West Point in June, 1941.

### Ready to Go Ahead

As far back as 1934, then, the connection between Farben and the Nazis was clear, direct—and permanent. There wasn't a loophole in Farben's setup. It had economic control of Europe. It had the political power of Germany.

Farben was ready to go ahead, and in 1934 Schmitz and Goering began drafting the four-year plan for total war—a war which was to include not only Europe but also the Far East and America.

### Farben Got U. S. Secrets

One of the basic rules of politicians always has been "if you can't beat them, join them."

One of the basic tactics of unscrupulous business interests always has been to sign "gentlemen's agreements" with their powerful competitors and then to break the pacts as quickly and subtly as possible.

Both points are pertinent to this study of the methods used by the German I. G. Farben trust, under the management of Hermann Schmitz and Max Ilgner, to penetrate the markets of the world in the years before the second World war.

### The Ford Relationship

Consider, for instance, Farben's relationship with the Ford Motor Company—an industrial giant that not even the powerful German dye trust dared to antagonize. I. G. Farben first gained Henry Ford's confidence by taking over a substantial total of stock in the Ford plant at Cologne, Germany.

Edsel Ford reciprocated by taking out shares in General Aniline and Film Corporation, I. G. Farben's subsidiary in the U. S.

This was business. The two interests helped each other because it was to their mutual advantage.

When the German automobile industry attacked the Ford factory in Germany, for example Karl Duisberg in a public statement declared that Ford cars were mostly built by German workers with German materials.

The critics of Ford in Germany backed down immediately and remained quiet.

In the U. S. Edsel Ford became a member of General Aniline's

board of directors. He resigned in 1941.

### Standard Oil Relationship

Now consider Farben's relations with Standard Oil Company of New Jersey—another American industrial giant that the German trust wanted to use.

Long before the outbreak of the second World War Farben's representatives approached the hydrogenation of coal—the process of making synthetic oil and gas. The first thing done was the organization of another of the myriad of Farben corporations scattered throughout the world.

This one was the Standard I. G. Company, an American firm controlled jointly by Farben and Standard Oil. It acquired all the Farben patents in the U. S. for the manufacture of synthetic gasoline.

Hermann Schmitz's representatives and Standard Oil also organized the International Hydrogenation Patents Company, Ltd., to acquire the synthetic oil patents for the rest of the world—except the U. S. and Germany. The International was owned jointly by Farben and Standard until competitive pressure brought Royal Dutch Shell and Imperial Chemicals (the British interests) into the combination.

In Germany, of course, Farben held the monopoly on synthetic oil. Standard held the monopoly in the U. S.

After the arrangements were made, Walter C. Teagle, Standard Oil's board chairman, went on the board of General Aniline. Teagle resigned from the board in 1938.

### Rubber Patents

Farben and Standard Oil also organized Jasco, Inc., in the late '30's to acquire Farben's synthetic rubber patents in the U. S. Frank A. Howard was named president of both Standard I. G. Company and Jasco, Inc.

The choice of Howard was a most fortunate one for I. G. Farben, for Howard was greatly awed by the might of Farben. His correspondence with the trust in Germany indicates that clearly. Through the years during which Howard directed Jasco, it trustingly gave Farben all its research data. Farben, though, played its old trick of withholding the "know how" from Jasco.

On the eve of the Nazi invasion of the Lowlands in the spring of 1940, Howard concluded an agreement with Farben to divide their mutually-owned synthetic oil patents into two spheres—an American-British area and a Nazi area. This move outwitted the American wartime law which forbade direct exchange of shares in the circumstances.

The agreement provided for an exchange of markets. The Farben stock in Standard I. G. was taken over by the Standard Oil and the company's name was changed to Standard Catalytic Company.

### "Know How Again Withheld"

Standard was to control the synthetic oil markets in America, Britain and France. Farben was to have a monopoly in Nazi-occupied countries, which after the conquest of France included France, too.

Farben also had a gentleman's agreement with Jasco for the exchange of research results and synthetic rubber patents. Authoritative reports are that Farben did give Jasco some information and did sell Howard some patents but Schmitz withheld that "know how." And Jasco was unable to get the full use of a Farben-monopolized product.

Jasco produces Buna, and Buna is the rubber now vital to the movement of the American Army and Air Force. We must produce it—now that the Dutch East Indies have fallen.

After the outbreak of the war, Standard Oil took over 100 percent of the stock of Jasco.

Chemnyco Company, the Farben concern organized to handle Farben's patent licenses in the Western Hemisphere and headed by Max Ilgner's brother, Rudolph, comes into the story of Farben's relations with Standard Oil for it was through Chemnyco that Farben arranged its agreements with Standard.

### TURKEY PROFITS

Kansas producers last year received an average of \$2.57 per turkey sold. This amounted to an income of \$2,799,000 for the state. Successful producers should net a dollar per bird above all expenses.

## ELLSWORTH COUNTY CO-OP HAS SPLENDID RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENT

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Rosaline Scheuch, Mart Gwinner and the present bookkeeper, Grant Gwinner.

Sales of approximately \$100,000 per month necessitates the services of a large number of employees. Besides the managers of the various departments mentioned above the following employees work for the cooperative:

Ellsworth Elevator—Cale Cochran, elevator foreman; Walter Schultz, truck-driver and salesman; Frank Urbanek, in charge of feed-mixing; Harold Droege, grinding room and local truck driver; Frank Bezemek, truck driver. All these men wait on the retail trade when at the elevator.

Kanopolis Elevator—Jess Maze, elevator foreman and salesman. Bulk Station—Eddie Neuschafer, truckdriver; Bret Root, truck driver Service Station—Chester Chapman, Paul Pflughoeft and Arron Bush, service men. Store—Jack Kohls and Walter Haase clerks.

The organization holds membership in the Farmers Union Jobbing Association, The Farmers Union Auditing Association, Consumers Cooperative Association and Consumers Cooperative Refinery Association.

The first audit of the association was made by Mr. Goff in December 1914. Since 1921 the F. U. Auditing Association has audited the books. T. B. Dunn was the first auditor to serve from this company followed by E. C. Brown and the present auditor is Mart Gwinner.

### Twenty-Seven Have Been

#### Board Members

Twenty-seven members in all, have served on the Board of Directors. Following are their names: James Reardon, R. H. Vance, Edw. C. Burmeister, Fred Kottman, John Shannon, Wm. Thornburgh, James Dolezal, Chester Chapman, Rudolph Smischny, H. E. Kline, Louis Vancura, Ed Querry, C. A. Gregory, F. J. Hoseman, Brad Hooper, A. S. Hunter, James Pauli, Bert Harmon, Sam Wild, Bert Root Sr., W. W. Huggins, Evan T. Papp, Henry Scheuch, Emil Stroede and Joe Prochaska.

The present board consists of Bert Harmon, President; Henry Scheuch, Vice-president; Herman Kohls, secretary-treasurer; Emil Stroede and Joe Prochaska.

### A Fine Record

The Ellsworth County Farmers Cooperative Union has had a very commendable record. It has gone through a World War and one of the worst crises in the financial history of this country. Ellsworth County had three bank failures during this time, including one of the largest financial institutions, which nearly paralyzed business in the whole country. The cooperative has paid back to the farmer members of this community during the last 22 years over \$162,000 in prorate and dividend. There is no record for the first six years available but it is known that the amount returned was very substantial.

The stockholders of the organization should congratulate themselves that the association is in a sound financial condition, and is now operating on its own capital.

### Six Active Locals

The Farmers Union of Ellsworth County has been a real help to the cooperative and still is operating in that capacity. Several locals with a considerable membership are active in this county and are ever ready to come to the assistance of the cooperative in time of need.

Herman Kohls is president of the Summitt Farmers Union Local and Lloyd Duryee is Secretary. Sam Radcliff is president of the Shammel Farmers Union Local and G. C. Falk is secretary. Albert Henke is president of Ellsworth Farmers Union Local and Jack Kohls is secretary. L. D. Bates is president of Buckeye Farmers Union Local and W. L. Reed is secretary. Joe Prochaska is president of Walnut Grove Farmers Union and Wm. Wachs is secretary. Fred Mog is president of Black Wolf Farmers Union and Steve Moravsek is secretary. Ernest Palmquist is president of Ellsworth County Local and Eddie Neuschafer is secretary.

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## 16 States at F. U. All-State

Sessions Geared to Keeping F.-U. On Top of War-Time Changes

By Marold V. Knight

Jamestown, N. D., Aug. 26—(Special)—With 103 students, staff members, and visitors from 16 states registered this morning, the seventh annual All-State Session, with Mrs. Gladys Talbot Edwards as director, started last night what promises to be a very fruitful week's session, and even more intensive than in past years.

Instead of the usual rustic setting of Camp Pactola in the Black Hills, the sessions are being held in the modern new building of the North Dakota Farmers Union State Office with its conference rooms, dining and dormitory facilities.

In welcoming the All-Staters to the building State President Glenn J. Talbot, pointed out that All-State this year was meeting in the most critical period and that the Farmers Union had to move rapidly to keep pace with the times.

"We must believe that what must be done can be done and then find a way to do it," the host president declared.

### A Spiritual Force

"To be effective in the years ahead the Farmers Union and the cooperative movement must become a great spiritual and social force that will give people courage and enthusiasm to go ahead," President Jim Patton told the group in his greeting at the opening session, warning against the cynicism and defeatism that was threatening to engulf the people.

He declared that real unity would be attained in America not by submerging differences, but by defining sharp issues and then making clear cut decisions that would help the majority.

### Wide Representation

With Farmers Union members from Washington and Oregon to Wisconsin and Arkansas, and visitors from New York City, Michigan, Connecticut, Kentucky and even England, the conference is truly a cosmopolitan group.

Three exchange students from the United Auto Workers of Detroit, Mich., are helping the farm leaders secure the viewpoint of organized labor, while Paul Sifton, director of labor relations, has told of how organized labor and the Farmers Union are working more closely together.

From the rising bell at 6:45 until lights out at 11:15, there is something doing every minute of the day.

Classes include "Discussion Group Methods," "Know Your Farmers Union," "The World Today," and "You and Your Government"—the latter being conducted by the Hon. Paul Appleby this week and Mrs. Dora B. Haines next week.

Interest groups include leadership problems, organization, recreation, legislation, editorial, publicity, and secretarial sessions.

Here is a list of the speakers and visitors who were with us to conduct classes; lecture or participate in discussions: Paul Appleby, Under-Secretary of Agriculture; James O. Patton, National President; M. W. Thatcher, Mgr. F. U. G. T. A.; A. W. Ricker, Editor, Farmers Union Herald; H. E. Witham, General Manager Farmers Union Jobbing Association, Kansas City, Mo.; E. A. Syftstad, Mgr. F. U. Central Exchange; Co-op Committee; Richard Deverall, Educational Director of United Auto Workers; Dora B. Haines, Rural Electrification Administration, Washington, D. C.; Chas. D. Egley, Mgr. F. U. Livestock Com. Co.; H. D. Rolph, Nat'l Vice-President; Glenn J. Talbot, Pres. N. D. Farmers Union, Chairman Economic and Social Planning Com.; Harry Culbreth, Farm Security Administration; Dennis Nyberg, Fellowship of Reconciliation; Paul Sifton, Labor Relations Director F. U.

Following are the staff members:

Director: Mrs. Gladys Talbot

Edwards, National Director of Education.

Assistant Director: Dean of Women, Schedules: Mildred K. Stoltz, Montana Director of Education, National Education Council.

Dean of Men-Recreational Director: Chester A. Graham, Education Department Fieldman.

Director of Evening Programs: Frances W. Butts, National Department of Education.

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Camp Manager—Jo Erickson. Assistant Camp Manager—Ione Kleven, Minnesota Director of Education.

Dining Room Hostess—Esther Ekblad, Kansas Director of Education, National Education Council.

Librarian—Betty Lownes, Iowa Director of Education.

Camp Secretary: Avis Theede, National Department of Education.

Assistant Secretary: Eunice Heringer, National Department of Education.

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# LIVESTOCK MARKET NEWS

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## Kansas City Livestock Markets

### Fat Steer Market

L. O. Martin, Salesman. With 32,000 on the market today there was quite an offering of fed steers, the bulk of which sold fully 25c lower. These best steers could have brought up to \$15.50, the bulk of them selling from \$13.50 to \$14.50, with short-fed kinds down to 12c a pound. Of course, there were a lot of stockers and feeders included in the run and the prices on this kind were weak to 25c lower and on feeders as much as 50c lower. There were quite a few of these straight grass cattle in feeder flesh offered and while the packers took quite a few of them as killers there are still quite a few unsold as the market was very draggy on that kind. The bulk of the better kind of Whiteface cattle showing straight grass flesh selling from \$12.25 down. We think that we perhaps will see a rather slow market on heavy receipts until such time as something definite is given us in the way of pegged prices on either beef or cattle.

### Butcher Market

Johnnie Hannon, Salesman. We have been having rather uneven cattle markets the past two weeks. It reacted considerably last week and regained most of the previous week's loss. Today, however, with 32,000 cattle here, all classes showed a slump of fully 25c per hundred. While there are a few cows selling at \$10, the bulk of the beef cows are bringing from \$8.75 to \$9.50, with cutters up to \$8.50. Most canners \$5.50 to \$6.75. Fed heifers and mixed yearlings are 25c lower than last week's close, while heavyweight bulls look to be steady. Stock cows and heifers weak to 25c lower today.

### Hog Market

W. F. O'Neal, Salesman. Due to very unsettled conditions caused by the agitation of fixing the price ceiling on live stock, the hog market has been lower practically every session for the past 10 days. Receipts were just fairly light around the circuit today and the market showed just a little weakness. The top was \$13.90 paid for the more finished kinds of weights above 200

pounds. Most of our best butcher hogs weighing 180 to 340 pounds sold at \$13.70 to \$13.90. Quite a liberal supply of light weights, weighing 140 to 170 pounds, selling at \$13.40 to \$13.70. Best sows generally \$13 to \$13.50. Choice stock pigs continue very scarce and odd lots of this kind have been selling above the top of the fat hog market. Choice kinds today quotable around \$14 to \$14.25.

It seems to be rather definite that some kind of price adjustment or ceiling of some sort or other may be placed on the live hog market and undoubtedly this ceiling will be even lower than the present level of the hog market. Considering this then we feel that hogs that are ready for market should be sold rather than held back for any reaction in prices.

### Calf Market

Cecil David, Salesman. Killing calf market steady to slow, with a \$14 top on veals. Medium to good killers selling from \$11 to \$13. Heavy killers for the best kind bringing \$12. Stock calves 50c lower, with a top on choice fancy steer calves of \$14. Heifers \$13. Plainer kinds a big 50c lower, selling from \$10 to \$12.50.

### Sheep Market

Fred Grantham, Salesman. Market 25c lower. Top truck-ins \$13.50. Medium fleshed native lambs \$12 to \$13. Cull native lambs \$8 to \$10. Underweights \$6 to \$7. Fat yearling wethers \$10.75 to \$11.75. Fat ewes \$5.50 to \$5.75. Cull ewes \$5 to \$5.25.

## Use of Wheat for Feed Urged

Chairman Lawrence Norton of USDA War Board Supplies Whole Feed Wheat Prices for Kansas Counties

Manhattan, Kansas  
September 3, 1942

Mr. E. K. Dean, President,  
Kansas Farmers Union  
Salina, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Dean:

You are probably already familiar with the feed wheat program made possible when Congress authorized the Department of Agriculture to make 125 million bushels of Government-owned wheat available for feed at 85 percent of the parity price for corn. At the present time agencies represented on the Kansas USDA War Board are putting on a campaign to encourage the greater utilization of wheat by our feeders. In this program we will appreciate very much the support of you and your organization.

Besides the important contribution that we will make to the nation's war effort we feel that Kansas has much to gain from the feeding of more wheat. The present crop added to the carryover will give the U. S. a total wheat supply of around 1,600 million bushels—by far the largest on record. You know the difficulty that we are having in storing this huge supply—and think what our condition would be if next year the wheat crop was again above average, and nothing was done to reduce the supply other than regular consumption as human food and seed. Wheat seeding for 1943 under very favorable moisture conditions has already started in western Kansas.

Fortunately we can do something about this wheat supply. From the standpoint of making flour we have hundreds of millions of bushels of surplus wheat. From the view point of maintaining wartime production of meat, milk and eggs, and of making synthetic rubber we have not a bushel of surplus wheat. We have on the one hand a surplus of wheat and on the other a meat shortage created by the huge wartime demand for meat. If we will feed this wheat one problem will solve the other.

With this letter I am enclosing a list of Kansas counties giving the feed wheat price in each. With present livestock prices I am sure you will agree that the conversion of this wheat into meat, milk, and eggs offers Kansas farmers a fine opportunity for profit.

You are no doubt familiar with the value of wheat as a feed for all classes of livestock, but we will mail you as soon as it is ready copy of a mimeograph booklet that we are preparing which will discuss the feeding of wheat to livestock and poultry. Right now wheat feeding should be especially attractive to the hog producer.

Feed wheat is now available in every Kansas county. In most counties the Commodity Credit Corporation already has stocks of wheat eligible to be sold for feed. In other counties wheat can be shipped in to the county and delivered on track at the prices quoted. The feeder who wants feed wheat should get in touch with his county AAA committee who will give him information on how to buy feed wheat in that county.

We have the opportunity to make wheat production a safer business by reducing the present burdensome surplus through feeding. At the same time our feed-

ers can make a good profit on this conversion of wheat into livestock products—and in so doing they will be making a real contribution to the Food for Freedom program. It is certainly a proposition that is worth promoting in Kansas.

Very truly yours,  
Lawrence Norton,  
Chairman State USDA  
War Board, Kansas.

United States Department of Agriculture Commodity Credit Corporation, Supplement 1, Kansas

This is the base price for August. September is one-half cent higher. October one cent higher. Whole feed wheat prices for wheat delivered during the month of August, 1942.

County	Price
Allen	82
Anderson	82
Atchison	82
Barber	82
Barton	83
Bourbon	82
Brown	81
Butler	83
Chase	83
Chautauqua	83
Cherokee	83
Cheyenne	78
Clark	83
Clay	81
Cloud	81
Coffey	82
Comanche	84
Cowley	83
Crawford	82
Decatur	79
Dickinson	82
Doniphan	82
Douglas	82
Edwards	84
Edwards	84
Elk	82
Ellis	82
Ellsworth	83
Finney	82
Ford	83
Franklin	82
Geary	81
Gove	80
Graham	80
Grant	82
Gray	82
Greeley	80
Greenwood	82
Hamilton	81
Harper	84
Harvey	83
Haskell	82
Hodgeman	83
Jackson	81
Jefferson	82
Jewell	80
Johnson	82
Kearny	81
Kingman	84
Kiowa	84
Labette	83
Lane	81
Leavenworth	82
Lincoln	82
Lincoln	82
Linn	82
Logan	79
Lyon	82
McPherson	83
Marion	83
Marshall	80
Meade	83
Miami	82
Mitchell	81
Montgomery	83
Morris	82
Morton	83
Nemaha	80
Neosho	82
Ness	82

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## RECENT REPRESENTATIVE Live Stock Sales

Of Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Company  
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CATTLE		
Iner Polson, Marshall County, Kan., 21 steers.....	1260	\$15.16
Virgil Schwartz, Douglas County, Kan., 12 heifers.....	730	13.75
Elmer Shaw, Lyon County, Kan., 26 heifers.....	770	13.60
J. T. Griffith, Osage County, Kan., 24 steers.....	965	13.10
C. F. Wamser, Lyon County, Kan., 23 heifers.....	723	12.85
Chas. W. Schlobohm, Lyon County, Kan., 20 heifers.....	730	12.75
Knox & Morgan, Butler County, Kan., 47 heifers.....	748	12.60
Edward Hyde, Lyon County, Kan., 36 heifers.....	718	12.50
L. E. Eckel, Butler County, Kan., 40 heifers.....	666	12.25
Chas. Wahl, Pottawatomie County, Kan., 14 steers.....	545	12.25
E. Freeman, Woods County, Okla., 36 steers.....	576	10.65
Howard Woodbury, Osage County, Kan., 11 cows.....	1190	10.50
E. Freeman, Woods County, Okla., 28 heifers.....	480	10.00
E. Freeman, Woods County, Okla., 37 heifers.....	580	9.50
J. J. Frost, Clay County, Mo., 27 cows.....	1107	9.40
Chas. Burton, Johnson County, Kan., 32 cows.....	1007	9.35
L. A. Cary, Shawnee County, Kan., 21 cows.....	907	8.75
J. R. Wright, Wyandotte County, Kan., 17 cows.....	918	8.60

HOGS—240 Pounds Up		
Otto & Fred Kroescher, Morgan County, Mo., 9 hogs.....	248	13.90
Carl Blaser, Bates County, Mo., 25 hogs.....	168	13.80
J. A. Hannan, Lafayette County, Mo., 15 hogs.....	149	14.00
McCloud Bros., Johnson County, Mo., 22 hogs.....	257	14.25
F. G. Young, Saline County, Mo., 36 hogs.....	265	14.10

240 Pounds Down		
Drummond & Wallace, Grundy County, Mo., 20 hogs.....	186	13.60
Carl Mathies, Wabunsee County, Kan., 43 hogs.....	194	13.85
Earl Gregory, Henry County, Mo., 40 hogs.....	205	13.80
Elmer Brown, Miami County, Kan., 29 hogs.....	218	14.00
H. A. Berry, Grundy County, Mo., 23 hogs.....	220	14.00
Homer E. Clark, Douglas County, Kan., 19 hogs.....	200	14.25
O. B. Casner, Bourbon County, Kan., 14 head.....	226	14.25
Ralph Mitchell, Osage County, Kan., 10 hogs.....	228	14.25
Joe Crust, Linn County, Kan., 11 hogs.....	202	14.25
Fred Harfele, Miami County, Kan., 11 hogs.....	207	14.20
L. M. Gibson, Johnson County, Mo., 10 hogs.....	187	14.25
C. W. Atwood, Linn County, Kan., 22 hogs.....	218	14.25
Dugan Bros., Henry County, Mo., 18 hogs.....	218	14.30
Paul B. Wood, Chase County, Kan., 12 hogs.....	226	14.20

SHEEP		
E. A. Daniels, Salina County, Mo., 16 sheep.....	81	13.50
H. A. Berry, Grundy County, Mo., 12 sheep.....	71	13.75
E. C. Erickson, Geary County, Kan., 20 sheep.....	81	12.75
J. F. Stockhoff, Linn County, Kan., 12 sheep.....	82	13.75

WICHITA CATTLE		
P. J. Graber, Reno County, Kan., 31 mixed.....	474	11.10
W. L. Janky, Sedgwick County, Kan., 14 mixed.....	646	10.00
Icaas Garvie, Woodward County, Okla., 101 mixed.....	771	9.90
D. R. Rowland, Elk County, Kan., 10 hfs & str.....	349	10.93
J. O. Little, Woodward County, Okla., 12 str & hfs.....	546	10.20
W. A. Ramsey, Cowley County, Kan., 12 steers.....	669	11.00
Isaac Garvie, Woodward County, Okla., 29 mixed.....	819	11.00
John Brown, Barber County, Kan., 41 mixed.....	537	11.35

HOGS		
C. V. McBride, Sumner County, Kan., 23 hogs.....	209	14.05
T. A. Duncan, Sumner County, Kan., 12 hogs.....	236	14.10
W. L. Janky, Sedgwick County, Kan., 11 hogs.....	264	14.15
H. L. Cherryholmes, Butler County, Kan., 10 hogs.....	213	14.10
H. A. & Glenn Klinkerman, McPherson Co., Kan., 14 hogs.....	185	14.10
Wm. Greenwell, Sedgwick County, Kan., 10 hogs.....	235	14.15
Chris Stackley, Butler County, Kan., 10 hogs.....	218	14.15
Paul Mannel, Lincoln County, Kan., 19 hogs.....	282	14.15
Joe Schrag, Harvey County, Kan., 11 hogs.....	185	14.10
Harold Terry, Alfalfa County, Okla., 15 hogs.....	203	14.20
Chris Stackley, Butler County, Kan., 11 hogs.....	200	14.15
J. J. Yoder, McPherson County, Kan., 19 hogs.....	222	14.15
Glen Shaffer, Sumner County, Kan., 21 hogs.....	260	14.10
Dan Dettweiler, Harvey County, Kan., 20 hogs.....	188	14.00
State Training School, Cowley County, Kan., 23 hogs.....	252	14.15
Norris Garrison, Kingman County, Kan., 19 hogs.....	130	13.00
J. N. Smarsh, Sedgwick County, Kan., 11 hogs.....	186	13.90
Jacob P. Goering, McPherson County, Kan., 10 hogs.....	191	14.00
Albert Vogts, McPherson County, Kan., 11 hogs.....	192	14.10

SHEEP		
Joe Schlitz, Kay County, Okla., 13 sheep.....	74	11.75
Willard E. Graber, Reno County, Kan., 24 shep.....	75	11.75
Ray Baldwin, Sedgwick County, Kan., 18 hogs.....	75	11.25

PARSONS CATTLE		
Forrest Featherngill, Montgomery Co., Kan., 2 steers.....	1070	14.75
Monroe Layman, Montgomery County, Kan., 1 steer.....	890	14.00
Chas. Butcher, Bartlesville, Okla., 3 steers.....	453	11.50
W. A. Good, Labette County, Kan., 1 heifer.....	660	10.75
Frank Dessenberger, Labette County, Kan., 4 steers.....	996	10.00
M. K. Bitsko, Labette County, Kan., 3 steers.....	715	10.00
C. J. Hadlock, Montgomery County, Kan., 4 heifers.....	636	10.10
Lawrence Claussen, Crawford County, Kan., 1 heifer.....	825	10.00
A. J. Summers, Neosho County, Kan., 1 cow.....	1100	9.25
Ralph Bauer, Allen County, Kan., 38 steers.....	678	9.65
M. B. Oakleaf, Labette County, Kan., 9 steers.....	637	9.50
M. B. Oakleaf, Labette County, Kan., 7 steers.....	775	9.00
W. P. Whitworth, Neosho County, Kan., 1 calf.....	260	15.25
C. L. Thayer, Neosho County, Kan., 1 calf.....	270	14.50
Tom Weiner, Allen County, Kan., 1 calf.....	220	14.00
Chas. Butcher, Bartlesville, Okla., 5 calves.....	361	12.00
Oscar Engel, Crawford County, Kan., 1 calf.....	250	14.50

HOGS		
Will Hunter, Labette County, Kan., 5 hogs.....	207	14.15
G. W. Forbes, Montgomery County, Kan., 8 hogs.....	211	14.15
F. H. Phillip, Labette County, Kan., 12 hogs.....	217	14.15
Paul Golden, Labette County, Kan., 5 hogs.....	208	14.15
L. C. DeMott, Montgomery County, Kan., 19 hogs.....	258	14.15
C. G. Moore, Neosho County, Kan., 11 hogs.....	242	14.10
C. E. McVey, Neosho County, Kan., 8 hogs.....	190	14.00
Lee Clark, Neosho County, Kan., 6 hogs.....	228	14.00
R. F. Johnson, Neosho County, Kan., 11 hogs.....	191	14.00
H. L. Emerick, Labette County, Kan., 10 hogs.....	186	13.90
Ed Volmer, Neosho County, Kan., 11 hogs.....	323	13.90
Ed Dickerson, Labette County, Kan., 7 hogs.....	218	13.80
L. D. Sherbenou, Wilson County, Kan., 12 hogs.....	213	13.80
Fanny Baker, Montgomery County, Kan., 6 hogs.....	235	13.75
Tom Heady, Neosho County, Kan., 14 hogs.....	181	13.75

SHEEP		
C. L. Burroughs, Neosho County, Kan., 8 sheep.....	75	13.50
W. R. Stevenson, Neosho County, Kan., 7 sheep.....	75	13.25
W. A. Sallors, Neosho County, Kan., 7 sheep.....	77	13.00
W. E. Brookshire, Neosho County, Kan., 16 sheep.....	77	12.50
J. W. Naff, Crawford County, Kan., 10 sheep.....	94	13.00
O. C. Cunningham, Neosho County, Kan., 4 sheep.....	77	13.00

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## Lewis' Alliance with E. E. Kennedy, Coughlinite, Rouses Storm of Criticism

All Farmers Are Familiar With Kennedys' Record as Washington Lobbyist

A storm of criticism has been aroused by John L. Lewis' brazen action in appointing Edward E. Kennedy, an out-and-out Coughlinite, to head up his District 50 Dairy drive. The hiring of Kennedy, who for years has served as Coughlin's farm lieutenant and aided the fascist cause, leaves no doubt about the course that Lewis is steering.

The CIO News of August 8 charges that Lewis "so fears the sand blast of honest criticism that this week he attempted—and failed—to destroy" a labor newspaper in Cumberland, Maryland, which describes him, in effect, as working for Hitler."

Lewis cannot silence and stamp out such criticisms while openly hiring men like E. E. Kennedy to carry out his disruptive farm drive. The farmers are familiar with Kennedy's record; they remember how he teamed up with Louis B. Ward, editor of Social Justice, to lobby in Washington, and how last summer Kennedy took an active part in the so-called wheat rebellion, which urged farmers in Ohio and Indiana to burn up their wheat fields in keeping with fascist incendiary methods. Edward E. Kennedy wrote articles for Coughlin's Social Justice, which less than a year ago ran a headline endorsing Lewis, and urging all workers to line up behind Lewis.

In announcing the Kennedy appointment, Lewis said not a word about his previous record, but Kennedy's reputation is too long and too spotted to enable Lewis to palm him off on the farmers as research director or "authority on cost of production."

What the Press Says of Kennedy

The N. Y. Newspaper, PM gives more than two pages of space to the Lewis-Coughlin-Kennedy deal, which it features with the headline, "Lewis Allies Himself with Coughlinites in National Drive to Organize Dairy Farmers."

"Kennedy is the man who for years has been preaching Coughlinism to the farmers. This isn't the first time that

Coughlinites and Lewis have been getting chummy. Only last November 24th . . . Social Justice came out with a front page spread calling on American labor to stand by Lewis . . ." (Aug. 3rd). The CIO News

"John L. Lewis has appointed a close associate of Charles E. Coughlin, publisher of the now branded Social Justice, to an important post in his dairy farmers organizing drive . . . The man is Edward E. Kennedy who . . . was once secretary-treasurer of the National Farmers Union, but was removed from office when he tried to endorse the Coughlin-Lemke Union Party in 1936 without the consent of the membership. With Father Coughlin's help Kennedy then tried to split the National Farmers Union by setting up a National Farmers Guild, which flopped in short order." (Aug. 3rd).

The Farmers Union of the N. Y. Milk Shed

"Mr. Kennedy later lobbied in Washington with Louis B. Ward, editor of Coughlin's Social Justice . . . Mr. Lewis has never repudiated his America First connections or his friendly associates with the fascist Washington Cliveden set. His appointment of Kennedy adds further evidence that John L. Lewis is going down the fascist road." (Aug. 1st).

Kennedy began to play ball with Father Coughlin back in 1932, when the radio propagandist served as mouthpiece and promoter for a clique of wealthy speculators. Kennedy agitated for inflation, thus assisting silver gamblers who were shown by the Treasury Department to have bought huge quantities of silver and were planning to sell it to the Government at a fancy mark-up.

Kennedy was always Johnny-on-the-spot whenever there was some scheme for farming the farmers.

After he was thrown out of the National Farmers Union, Kennedy launched a movement supposedly designed to collect hog processing taxes which had been invalidated by the Supreme Court. The farmers not only paid dues to this Kennedy organization but also paid in advance a percentage of the refund that Kennedy was supposed to get them. The farmers never got a penny out of this scheme, but according to PM, Kennedy "collected a good deal of money before the Agriculture Department warned him off."

As a result of his monetary exploits, Kennedy has had several brushes with the courts, which objected to his selling insurance without a license and to his illegal sale of membership cards and charters. The story below tells of his run-in with the Illinois courts.

E. E. Kennedy's Record in Illinois

A Warning to Farmers; Tried to Wreck and Split Farm Group

Edward E. Kennedy has been thrown out of more than one organization by the farmers. He was removed from the office as secretary of the Illinois Farmers Union and then sought to revenge himself by trying to split the organization.

When Kennedy was evicted from the independent Illinois Union, he managed to talk his way into office as secretary-treasurer of the National Farmers Union. It was in this capacity that Kennedy later endorsed the Coughlin-Lemke Union Party in the 1936 election; the irate membership, which had not been consulted on this deal with Coughlin, and wanted no part of it, soon ousted Kennedy, who then set up the National Farmers Guild and once again attempted outright splitting activities.

The story of Kennedy's efforts to wreck the National Farmers Union is well known to the farmers, but his relationship to the Illinois Farmers Union lies buried in the files of the Illinois Union Farmer, which was published in Greenville, Illinois. According to the issue of this paper, dated November 7th, 1934, Judge Lindley of the U. S. District Court "ordered that Mr. Kennedy and his followers' discontinuing announcing meetings in Illinois as Farmers Union meetings, adding that any further violation of the order would subject them to punishment without further preliminaries."

The Judge "ruled that all the

membership cards and local charters which he (Kennedy) is issuing in Illinois are illegal . . ." According to the Illinois Union Farmer, the membership cards "were signed by E. E. Kennedy." "The dues went not to the organization appearing on the card, but to the 'United Farmers of Illinois,' which is another name under which Mr. Kennedy operates in Illinois." It adds:

"The Judge can not prevent Mr. Kennedy from collecting and misusing monies from farmers in states where he is a stranger but the Judge is convinced that he has collected enough in Illinois. . . ."

The same issue of the Illinois Union Farmer reports a long letter written by Mr. Harold O. Hatcher who succeeded Kennedy as Secretary of the Illinois Union. Mr. Hatcher accused Kennedy of misappropriating funds, falsifying records and juggling accounts. In this letter, he calls upon Mr. Kennedy to answer twenty-two questions, of which the chief ones are indicated here.

"1. Is it not true that while you were the executive secretary of the Illinois Farmers Union from 1926 to 1931 it operated at a loss of approximately \$1,000 per month 56 months out of the 58, and that the losses during your last 4½ months amounted to over \$18,000?"

"2. Is it not true that you presented a financial statement to your board of directors covering the first 18 months' operation which showed a gain of \$595.00, whereas a C. P. A. audit for the same period . . . showed a loss of over \$12,000?"

"Is it not true that you influenced loyal members and cooperatives to loan the Union thousands of dollars and to sign notes they were later forced to pay at great personal sacrifice . . . ?"

"Is it not true that you raised a trust fund of \$14,625 from members 'to maintain grain sales offices on the Chicago and other grain markets,' said members to be repaid in full and to share in the profits, that no such offices were established . . . ?"

"5. Do you admit the truth of recorded statements of government auditors that instead of keeping a General Ledger you kept 'three ledgers with entries intermingled and sometimes omitted,' that your directors 'were not informed of conditions' and that 'policies were dominated' by yourself?"

Charges Violence and Mob Rule

"10. Did you, as national secretary not get this new organization known as the 'United Farmers of Illinois' chartered by the National Union, while an honest 25-year-old Farmers Union in the state was forced to stay out of the national organization?"

"13. Will you not admit that the intensity of this internal struggle has led you to fill the heads of your followers with hatred for those who oppose you . . . a hatred which has led you as well as your followers to resort to violence and mob rule against persons in the Farmers Union?"

"16. Why was it that when the organized milk producers in Chicago area put on a strike recently against the milk trusts which was 90 percent effective that you, representing the Farmers Union, should be one of the few to 'scab' on them and smuggle milk into Chicago by airplane?"

"18. Is it not true that the majority of the state unions which had been organized for several years . . . are withholding all or part of their dues from you in protest, that the Union recently had split wide open in Minnesota, Iowa, Illinois, and Kentucky, and splits are threatening elsewhere if you continue as secretary-treasurer?" From Facts for Farmers.

## MRS. CHARLES OLSON REPORTS ON NATIONAL FARMERS UNION SUMMER SESSION

(Continued From Page Six) necessity of reading and studying the Bill of Rights. She said we are turning millions of children out of school and only a few have any conception of their place in this scheme of government. If we real-

ly want to see our government a democracy, we will see that our children know something about it. We have been streamlining everything under the sun, but we still have to streamline our school system. She said leadership comes from a deep-seated conviction, and courage to back it up. We are living in the age of pamphlets. Someone should write a pamphlet on Money, also about each Department of our government.

### Many Interesting Speeches

The talks by the boys from the United Auto Workers, the return student, Adrian Mayer of England, were interesting and gave us pictures of other walks of life. Also in the afternoons we had Group interest sessions on Legislation, Editorial Problems, Organization, Publicity, F. U. Secretaries, and Recreation. We picked out the one we were most interested in to attend. Mine was organization, and this class proved very interesting as we talked of ways to get more members into the Farmers Union. Valuable Experience Gained as Student at Summer Session

I truly received much to inspire me to wish to continue in the Farmers Union work, and help out in any way I can to get more education into our locals and cooperatives. Also the many new friends and contacts made with people from other states was of great value to me. I wish to thank the Farmers Union Jobbing Association and the Kansas Farmers Union for the opportunity to go to Jamestown and attend the Summer Session.

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## RURAL MAIL CARRIERS SELL WAR BONDS

The United States Post Office Department has issued instructions to all postmasters in charge of rural routes to arrange immediately for their carriers to take orders for War Savings Bonds. The farmer can now make out his application and hand it over with money to his carrier. He will receive a receipt from the carrier and his War Bond will be delivered to him within several days. War Savings Stamps will be accepted for conversion into Bonds.

This plan will make the purchase of War Bonds almost easier for country people than those in cities. The Treasury Department hopes that every farm family will put a good share of all its income into the Bonds for only through the participation of every member of every family can the total backing of our armed forces be effective.

## TIRE SANDALS TO BE READY SOON

One of the large tire manufacturers has announced development of a "tire sandal" made of cotton pile fabric, a carpet-like material and treated with an asphalt emulsion, designed as a possible temporary relief in the current civilian tire situation. Tests indicate that the "sandals" will give from 2,500 to 3,000 miles of additional life to tires used at a top speed of 30 miles per hour. The invention is expected to be ready for retail distribution soon.

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### ON DROPPING THE PATENTS INVESTIGATION

It would be hard to find a lazier excuse than has been given for dropping the investigation of the Senate Patents Committee's investigation of cartels and patent monopolies. To say that continuation of the investigation would hurt our war effort is sheer nonsense.

For anyone in Washington to talk that way is to betray a complete lack of understanding of what this war is about and what the American people want to come out of it.

The war effort isn't going to be hurt by exposure of the international agreements and trickeries of men whose sole interest is profits. It is going to be hurt—and infinitely more so—if the American people begin to lose faith in the determination of their leaders to make this a people's war and a people's victory and not a monopolists' war and a monopolists' victory.

If you want to get the full impact of this dropping of the patents' investigation, go back to the newspapers of a few weeks and months ago. Then the whole shocking story of the agreements between some of our biggest industries and Nazi-dominated German firms was revealed.

We learned then what it cost us in dollars and cents and, what is more important, what it costs us in national preparedness to play ball with Hitler's businessmen. There was big talk, too, of how all this would be done away with and legislation adopted to prevent its repetition. Now that's all gone up in smoke.

Further investigations have been stifled and the prospect of remedial legislation is doubtful.

This is not democracy at its best. And this is no time—even if some people get hurt in the process—to weaken our faith in democracy.

We're got two wars to win, one abroad and the other at home. Both are inter-woven and we can't win this war in its true sense unless we win both of them.

For the moment we've lost a major battle of the Home Front. But its not a battle irretrievably lost. It still can be won if the American people demand that it be won. Let's hope that Senators LaFollette, Bone and O'Mahoney raise almighty hell in Congress and get further action.

We're not going to hurt our war effort by exposing monopolies and cartels. We're going to hurt it by surrendering to them and breaking faith with our people.—Alexander Uhl, in New York P. M.