

erican agriculture today. Thous- interests can tell them what to do ands upon thousands of farm famand how it can be done." ilies who are not needed to produce food and fiber for today's commercial markets, are struggling to make a living out of American soil. Thousands upon sents neither Fascism nor Comthousands are stranded on wornout land where they cannot make a decent living, and most of them have no more promising place to that the best way to prevent dicwhich they can move. And even tatorship and Fascism is to have those who are making out on the more democracy. They believe that land are finding it more and more the way to preparedness is to asdifficult to sell their products, as sure the farmer security on his the markets of a war-torn world farm, to provide the laboring man become smaller and smaller.

Hard to Make Living It was natural back in the come, to provide better health, Twenties for large proportions of better food and better clothing for our farm population to move into all our people."

the cities. The higher farm birth "It goes without saying that an rate was largely offset by the organization such as ours should heavy migration from farms to have the largest membership in areas of industrial opportunity, this country. It goes without sayand the farm population remained ing that farmers and the Farmrelatively stable. But, as you all ers' Union should not be bothered know, in the 'Thirties there were and pestered with psenudo-farm few industrial opportunities. Beorganizations like the one which tween 1930 and 1940 about 6.000.held its convention in California 000 farm people who under the recently. Farmers who really be-"normal" onditions of the 'Twenlieve in going all the way out for democracy and farmers who really ties would have moved into urban areas had to stay on the land believe in the philosophy of the Farmers' Union will not lower and try to make a living by prothemselves to belong to an orducing for markets which were already dwindling. ganization which adopts resolu-This is no local problem isolated tions at its annual convention askin certain areas. It is visible in ing that child labor restrictions be every part of our agricultural removed-suggesting that agriculeconomy. It has made itself felt in ture and business join hands to terms of human suffering and break the backs of the workers human misery, in terms of forein the factories-suggesting that

closures and penny auctions and farmers be a corn-talk brigade for the Fascist reactionary interests in landless migrant families moving this country to destroy democracy down the Nation's highways look- and those who really believe in ing for a chance to earn some- it. thing to eat. Later Than You Think

"It is time that we be realistic Moreover, this population pres sure was beginning to make itself and that we pool our resources to felt even before the depression. win the fight for the common folk who will make democracy work if For example, back in my home we, who are charged with leaderstate of Virginia it is estimated that as early as 1930 only four out ship ,have intelligence enough to provide them with the mechanisms of every ten farm boys were needed to keep the number of Virginia to make such efforts possible. "It is later than you think. The farm operators at a stationary levfundamental choice is a singular el. The other six-well, they either went to the cities, or else hung but extremely important one. That around and looked for part-time choice is voluntary organization work, often getting it by sharing now or organization by rule later. Today is the time to act. Tomorin the too small income of the row may be too late." father's small farm. Now, the four lucky Virginia

farm boys who took over jobs as today-the national farm picturefull farm operators, replacing the outgoing generation, found that

to see what lines have been drawn by these disturbing forces. Let us And selected a lance so sharp, the competition for their markets remember that this picture, for all He said, "You're a grown young was growing increasingly stiff. A its disharmonies, is infinitely bet-ter as a result of the national Virginia farmer in 1930 was prowoman. And I don't want to hear ducing two and a half times as farm program of the last eight years than it would otherwise harp. much as his grandfather 75 years before; and one-fourth more than have been, Many powerful and gritted my teeth and waited. he could have produced 20 years disturbing forces, however, are The sting of the lance to feel: before. It is a fact-although it still working against the Ameri-And I wondered with all of my sounds unbelievable-that there can farmer. conscience. were 30,000 fewer farm workers in

Influence of Farmers Union Virginia in 1930 than in 1920, We see large-scale commercial and yet the State's farmers were farms springing up all over the producing more farm products for countryside—pushing little farm-ers off the land, capturing the the commercial markets than be-

And I'm on recovery way. markets, hiring as farm laborers This sort of thing has been true many good men who used to oper To lance a boil on a Dr. someday, all over the country-here in this ate their own farms. We see city great farm section as well as back in Virginia. It is one of the big people renting farm land from those who come into ownership reasons why the Farm Security through foreclosure, operating Administration, which the Farmthese farms by remote control through hired labor with their a point to see the secretary of ers Union has supported so consistently, has been assisting hunprimary interest in mining the soil dreds of thousands of needy farm for the highest immediate income families in its program of rehabilitation. without any regard for the future Let us look at the farm picture Local Union! (continued on page 2)

most important problems of Am- right if the bosses and the vested the use of accumulated farm surpluses in the United States to relieve human distress and con-The Liberal Viewpoint

tribute to the physical and econ-Finally, there is the point omic reconstruction of our overview that represents the mass of seas cusomers" people in this country. "It repre-Effective inter-American cooperation, the report states, will demunism, but those in organized pend in the long run on the exlabor, those in organized agriculpansion of United States-Latin ture, and all others who believe American trade. This expansion, in turn, will depend upon the development in Latin America of products which are needed in the United States. In order to stimulate interest in such products, survey parties from the Department with security of income, to furnish old people with adequate in-come to provide better besith

specialists have been loaned to countries interested in increasing their output of complementary

products. The report notes the production of a number of agricultural com-modities within the Americas which are far in excess of the existing Western Hemisphere requirements, and for which the Europeanoutlets have been greatly reduced by the war. The report mentions international commodity agreements as one possible ap-proach toward alleviating this situation. The recently concluded coffee agreement is cited as a practical example of the accomplishments possible under such procedure. Another suggestion food products. which has been advanced is establishment of some type of inter-American relief distribution, similar to that which already exists in the United States and a few of the other American republics. both canned and fresh. And it pro-

SUFFERIN' CATS, INDEED!

a table

heel.

your Local Union.

So now it's over and done with,

Happy New Year. Start right

Don't delay! There're due today

Correspondent Who Goes Unnam

ed Is Annoved at Doctor "At one end," the government Suffering among the human kind statement points out, "lies wholeis not limited to Europe or Asia, sale malnutrition among consumeven to the results of war. Nor ers due to their inability to afford does any particular people have a an adequate diet. At the other end monopoly on the noble manner of lies a population of producing farits acceptance. In proof the mers who must sell an abundance editor submits the following verse of food at distress prices so low received from a correspondent as to threaten them with bank-

many of which are so close-knit I went to visit my doctor, And in his gruff but kindly way He said, "I must open that absess, Or there'll be the deuce to pay.

\$5,000,000 of Stamps to 2,200,000 Needy Persons in October

you \$5,000,000 worth of buying power in the form of food stamps among 2,200,000 needy persons during

October. The stamps were used for put chase of designated surplus agricultural products at regular gro

Why the skin was so tough on my Stamps distributed since the present fiscal year began July 1 total \$17,749,000, the department reported. With a terribly earnest ambition

spent them as follows: Pork, \$1,-200,000; butter, \$718,000; eggs \$675,-000; lard, \$321,000; cereals, \$868,with the early payment of your 000; vegetables, \$640,000; fruits, Farmers Union 1941 dues. Make \$635,000.

Support your own organization: attendance at meetings; study of legislation; support of coopera-

In a chapter entitled "Some Sug gested Lines of Action," more cothemselves and the transfusions operation among farmers is urged stop. as one remedy of present troubles.

Must Inform Members "Cooperative farming," the farm One of the greatest faults that we observe in cooperatives today experts report, "can bring benefits to farm families. It involves more is the failure of managements to than the cooperative ownership of keep their members informed. machines. It includes also opera- The members should be informed ings of \$96,782.85 were made, and tion of the land and cooperative fully before new policies are adop- it was voted to pay \$59,531.68 sharing in the returns. A compe- ted or before substantial changes out in patronage tent manager of cooperative farms are made in existing ones. The of this amount, \$29,765.84, was can effect more efficient operation troubles of the cooperative should paid a year ago, and only this last than is possible on many individual units. Land or buildings may them. If the management fails to was being mailed out to farmers' or may not be jointly owned. If report the troubles to the memnot, a satisfactory arrangement is bership, the enemies of the coopto keep title to the land and erative will tell the story, and not contributed toward the mammothbuildings in the hands of a pub- necessarily hampered by facts, may grain volume had set to its credit lic agency so that the plan can be maintained on a continuous basis. own ends. Some managers seem of the \$96,792.85 sacings, a share Such enterprises may also take over processing and selling functions, like cheese making or rebles of the association something uted. Members of these local astailing produce to nearby centers. will happen to extinguish them. sociations may well take pride in

The usual result is that other the splendid financial position of troubles will follow, and the prob- their state-wide grain marketing Better Distribution of Food Sur PROBE FOOD PRICES lems will pyramid. There is no and Jobbing assoc such thing as a plus trouble and

a minus trouble that can be com-Department of Justice Suspects bined to cancel each other. **Both Consumers and Farmers**

Suffer Asserting it has found evidence that "the food industries function, patron-members - synchronize ownership with patronage by badly for both consumers and farmeans of revolving capital.' We mers," the U. S. Department of Justice announced a nationwide in- cannot model the capital struc- sas City, and WaKeeney. vestigation of possible illegal practices designed to fix prices of The department said it aims to

stop illegal, monopolistic combines in connection with sale to the consumer of bread, milk, meat, fish, cheese, fruits and vegetables poses to spotlight huge profits made in the food distribution in-

austry at the expense of both consumer and farmer.

the wife), herein printed ruptcy. without signature. "Between our industrial groups, Entitled "Musings"

and powerful that they have made satisfactory profits throughout the depression

STAMP PLAN GAINS So he stretched me face down or

Washington-The Agriculture department reports it distributed

cerv stores.

Recipients of the October stamp

crops, particularly those exported. ing. Others especially interested in Representative Hope said he ex-pected Congress to be asked to coneducational work are cordially invited also to the morning breaksider aid at least for cotton, wheat fast session.

and tobacco, three major export-able crops, "if for no other reason Since 1937 Farmers Union Jobbing Association has had three than the surpluses. The certificate very successful years. In 1937 savplan seems to be the best plan that has been offered," he continued. 'That would give the farmer a dividends. Half basic price and at the same time would permit surpluses to move into whatever markets we have.' be reported frankly and fully to month in December the last half Chairman Fulmer said, "We've got to do something to get away. cooperative elevator associations. from these annual appropriations Each business association which for parity and give the farmer some base for his income, such as tell it effectively to further their by the Jobbing Association a share put the whole problem before the committee as soon as possible after business

the new Congress convenes and hope that we solve it." HEALTH IS DEFENSE

pluses is Great American Make Own KFU Feeds Problem

In addition to its grain market-Food, as well as armament, is a ing operations, this farmer-owned Now for the last rule-'Keep cooperative also manufactures thought is brought out in the Septhe ownership and control in the livestock and poultry feeds in its tember issue of Consumers' Guide, own feed mill and distributes

published by the department of feeds and farm supplies by truck agriculture. from warehouses at Topeka, Kan-During 1940 the Association Elliott, consumer commissioner of modernized its Farmers Union the National Defense Advisory Terminal Elevator at Topeka and Commission, in a foreword. "Our increased the capacity there to a job is this: To make America million bushels in order to serve strong. better the Farmers Union mem-"We have our lands to hold, our

shipped over 5,175 cars of grain guard. We have these, but we But there is a vast difference beto their own terminal cooperative. have more. We have people. We Much of this wheat was handled are rich in people. People who on government loans. H. E. Witham is secretary and general manager of the Association. Other officers are J. C. Greg- that here we have the greatest of food in the Army is said to be

rerpening, WaKeeney, vice pres-ident; E. A. Crall, Eric; D. O. Wan-who know the fight for these is who know the fight for these is partment concludes. however, that amaker, Blue Rapids; C. B. Thowe, never won until it is won for ev-Alma; and Joe Erwin, Cicero. ervbody. "Your Own Firm" is the mar-"Defense is planes and guns. It

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Something is Wrong With This

Picture

A farmer gets 30 cents for his

potatoes and the consumer pays

to 30 cents costs the consumer a

unit of commodity handled for keting appeal of the Farmers Un- is equipping an army to man our each member. In a farm supply ion Live Stock Commission Com- military weapons. It is this, and cooperative capital is accumulated pany, Kansas City. And to make more. It is building the health, the and replenished by withholding a farmers understand that the terphysical fitness, the social wellpart of each patron's patronage credits. That is, each patron shares minal markets establish the price being of all our people, and doing of stock wherever farmers may

it the democratic way. Hungry sell them is the big job of the Commission Company people. The days of the Farmers Union Live defense. in the profits, if any, a part of people, undernourished people, ill which is held back to build up people, do not make for strong and replenish capital.

It is customary to issue certi-Stock Shipping Associations are "This, then, is our job, not all ficates without due date each year practically over, and trucking of it, but a vital part: Let us make for capital withholdings. It is also competition with railroads has deevery American strong, stronger customary-and wise-to pay inveloped new complexities into the than ever before, sturdier in body, terest or dividends on these withlive stock market steadier in nerves, surer in living.

Many Livestock Problems "Many Kansas producers are

holding when and if the association is able to do so. When a cooperative using this using other than central markets for marketing live stock," plains W. G. Bernhardt, manager. "They should ask themselves these questions. Can these other methods replace the central markets? Do they create competition? Is competition necessary to establish a price? Would direct buyers protect my interest and allow a fair price for my live stock if the centime. The capital thus retired is replaced by continuing the retain tral markets did not exist? Think about these things before you

market or sell your live stock. capitalization a cooperative keeps A. B. Stryker, Blue Rapids, is president of the Farmers Union its ownership geared to its patron-Live Stock Commission Company, age, it provides a way for retir-Other officers are L. C. Gretten, their iness," published by Reynal and capital contributions in due time, Kincaid, vice president; John Fie-Hitchcock.

provides a practical way to genbaum, Higginsville, Mo., secrecapitalize the association, it makes members of non-members, and it rian, Mo., H. W. Neth, Lathrop, capitalize the association, it makes fellows. Join today. Farmers Unhelps keep the co-op cooperative, Mo., A. H. Dieball, Alma, and ion.

for Mr. Dean in January, planned.

FOR INCOME SAFEGUARDS

Economic Outlook for Farmers Portends a Drop, "Unless"

Washington, D. C .- A survey of leading opinion indicates a growing need for more adequate safeguards to protect the farmers as a result of economic dislocations. Reports from most quarters show that the economic outlook for the farmers portends a drop in income unless effective measures are adopted. Chester C. Davis, Agriculthe certificate plan. I intend to tural Commissioner on the National Defense Advisory Commission, stated recently: "There can be no lasting bene-

fit to American, agriculture from any war anywhere. The headaches farmers suffered as a result of the First World War are too well remembered and too close to us, for any thinking person to believe otherwise. We all know that regardless of who wins the war, need of national defense, and this or how well we arm, American farmers are going to be in a tight squeeze.'

He added that despite expectations that war would cause a mark-"We have a job to do. You, and ed rise in demand for our farm I, and everyone," writes Harriet products, there is nothing to back up such wishful thinking.

'Those who have been predicting a powerful war export demand for our farm products," he said, 'reason from the experiences of the last World War. It happened bers in Kansas who this last year waters to protect, our skies to then; therefore it will happen now. tween conditions then and now."

In discussing the effects of conlove and cherish our lands. Peo- scription upon farm markets, the ple who know how and want to Department of Agriculture states work. People who have deep faith that the "per capita consumption partment concludes, however, that any such increased army consumption can be "of little importance in total food consumption."

BEST 1940 ACCOMPLISHMENT

Minnesota Manager Reports Members Get Habit of Looking to Their Cooperative

Midland Cooperative Wholesale, Minneapolis, Minn., asked for replies to the question, "What has been the outstanding accomplishment of your cooperative during the past year?"

Addition of new items was widely acclaimed by local managers. Wrote Glenn B. Hillman of the Tri-County Cooperative Oil Co., Northfield, Minn .: "In my opinion the outstanding accomplishment a dollar. The farmer sells his milk of our cooperative in the past year for from 3 to 5 cents a quart and is the fact that our membership the consumer pays 12 to 14 cents. has looked to the cooperative for The fruit that nets the farmer 20 aid in helping them in their buydollar. Poultry for which the faring of items other than petroleum products.

mer gets 10 cents costs the con-"This buying of additional com-modifies has helped our local cosumer 30 cents. Something is wrong with the picture in an age operative increase its volume of when mechanical efficiency should be bringing distribution sales considerably. Again, the saying that the cooperative is no hetcosts down."-Assistant United ter than its membership is proven States Attorney General Thurman to be true." Arnold in "the Bottlenecks of Bus-

Statistics show a 12 percent increase during 1939 in manufac-Don't leave it all to the other tured soap for domestic purposes. Largest increase was in laundry soap.

method has accumulated enough capital to meet its needs, the capital begins revolving—that is, each year a certain number of the certificates are paid off. They are retired in the order in which they were issued. Usually, if the as-sociation is able to do so, an entire year's issue is retired at one deductions. By employing this method of

ing members to recapture

What? See the secretary of your tives; early payment of your '41

ture of a cooperative after that of a proprietary corporation and keep the cooperative cooperative. In a proprietary corporation one group of people owns the corporation while another and larger group patronizes it. The owners deal with the patrons for their own enrichment. In a cooperative

association the owners and patrons must be the same if the operative is to be cooperative. This is best accomplished by means of revolving capital.

In a marketing cooperative the capital is supplied initially and replenished when revolving begins by means of a retain. This means deducting a certain percentage from the sales proceeds of each

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SALINA, KANSAS, THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 1941

Complaints are often heard that attendance at Farmers Union not just all the others. The manattendance at Farmers Union meetings is a problem, that there are too many meetings nowadays and that people want to stay at home. This contradictory state-ment probably revolves itself into ment probably revolves itself into the thought that unless meetings portant as outside and national are attractively publicized, and people are assured of an interesting meeting—unless they have this assurance, then they would pre-fer their firesides.

this issue for the month of Decem-ber, 1940. Its policy is to car-ry news and articles of interest and and inspiration first, to members of the Farmers Union, and then to other cooperators. "It was likewise in December, 1844, that the Rochdale Pioneers began their first cooperative en-terprise. But before they opened the door of their store, a door to a new economic world, they had al-ready opened the magic casement looking out on a new field of thought and study. Following in their footsteps we have organized a study club which is described ion Central Exchange of South St. Paul, and the Farmers Union Grain elsewhere in this issue. Terminal Association, St. Paul

"The Torch makes its debut with

"Study and discussion are esbut as long as the cooperators wish to make progress. New Problems and changing conditions are ever present. These can be coped with successfully only through or-ganized study only through organized study and discussion.

Have you a peppy study club in your community?" Mrs. B. Immenschuh, county junior leader, wrote the following message for the Torch:

"The benefits of a paper like this are many. Through it our Locals and County groups come into closer contact with each other and private owners. The stockholders with our State and National lead-

December 11th authorized the asers; all of which facilitates cooperation. "Greatest of all the benefits, perhaps, is that which comes to the

Juniors themselves in carrying on such a project. It is an accepted Chicago Stock idea among some that it is easier

and safer for adults to make all the decisions; yet the fact remains that the one way for young people to grow responsible is by car-rying responsibilities. "One of the outstanding features

of the Farmers Union program is that it calls on the Juniors to take an active part in the Local's affairs. They are given the right to vote and hold offices. And it is

significant that the most success ful Locals are those in which the

he country's largest live stock market, was 75 years old on

During the three-quarter cen-tury period that this central maryou are well informer. Be alert ket has been in operation, a total of 211/2 billion dollars has been returned to stockmen and farmers

or, A. J. Adams, S. J., follows: "Your paper The Torch is well named. Through it you become, as

news often is, first rating goes to deliver. Soon it will be yours to manage the economic and social opened in 1865. life of the community in which you Stock Yard historians have un-

tards, and holders of the original charter granted 75 years ago, states that an average of a million animals a month have passed through this market since it was

Stockholders of the Farmers Un- | buy or contract one at Duluth, | sion following the recent stock holders' meetings authorized im Minnesota, or Superior, Wisconsin. The Farmers Union Central Ex- mediate construction of an addition to the main building. The 30 change built a lubricating oil compounding plant on a plot of land foot offset on the third story will sential to every cooperative en-terprize not only at the beginning North Dakota: and Great Falls, the Great Western Ballact in ded to the original building 60 fort ded to the original building 60 feet wide, three stories high, and 150 North Dakota; and Great Falls, Montana, were confronted at their 1935. The original building erectfeet long. The main building, inrecent meeting with the necessity ed is three stories in height. The cluding the compounding plant when completed will be 120 fee dimensions of the two lower stor-ies are 60 feet by 130 feet. The by 150 feet, and three stories in third story is 60 feet by 100 feet. In addition to the main building, two large machinery and hardware height. The new Exchange building will cost considerably more than \$100,000, and when completed warehouses have been erected, kota. Consignments of storage grain to the F. U. G. T. A. quickly warehouses have been erected, and a third is now under construc-tion. Other buildings on the Farwill represent a total cost of around \$250,000, and will be the largest and most up-to-date strucmers Union grounds at South St. space this year plus all that the association was able to lease from bulk tanks for the local coopera-bulk tanks for the local cooperature of its kind in the U.S. The Farmers Union Livestock tive oil associations, and a build-Commission Company during the at their session in St. Paul on ing occupied by the Co-op restauyear expanded its sales service to rant and office of the local oil asinclude Billings, Montana, and now sociation Board of Directors to take steps to build a terminal eleoperates at South St. Paul, Minne iota, West Fargo, North Dakota vator at Shelby, Montana, and to The Board of Directors at a ses- and Billings, Montana.

> the winter. During the cold mon- points out, they furnish active ths, hogs were delivered to the packers either in carcass form or on foot and were packed for ship-els established on the Chicago ment in the Spring when the boats could reach the East again. supply and demand are used as the basis for trading throughout Railroad West in 1848

In 1848 the Illinois and Michi-gan canal was cut to the lake, the first railroad started reaching West from Chicago, and a series of planked roads stretched out across the surrounding swampy lands so that trade could reach Chicago throughout the year. Taverns were constructed on the plank roads

at the edge of the city, and they provided pens for the convenience of their patrons in holding their

The next Congress is going to be more independent, but the be called a livestock market but each owner acted as his own sales-

In view of the recent election In 1852 the first two railroads reached Chicago from the East looking politicians are planning and brought in buyers for live an-imals at all seasons of the year. on speaking hereafter in Wash-ington, D. C., Chicago, Florida

The President's new scheme for financing England, avoiding the law of credit, make me think how John Dillinger thought he could

foundland.

Congress.

and we say bunks.

nquired the other.

Morgenthau says Congress will

have to make the British loan. He

becomes the disobedient Cabinet

child. He and his people should be

exiled. And, too, whoever heard of

It takes a little time to ge

have been fed war hysteria grad

be turned into the full bunks-

ually until we are about ready to

"Carter is the most absent-mind-

ed chap I ever met," remarked a

"What's he been doing now?

Why this morning he thought

he'd left his watch at home, and

then took it out to see if he had

ANALYZE FARM SITUA-

TION AND LEGIS-

LATIVE NEEDS

club man to a fellow-member.

We

stocker cattle on full feed.



you can do this later

YES, sir, the busy season will be with us again before very long. And that's when you'll really need your farm telephone.

Why not spend a little spare time now fixing up your telephone line so it will be ready for the busy days ahead. A farm telephone line, like anything else, needs a few repairs occasionally, but the chances are it won't take much work to put your line back in first-class condition.

If you need help in fixing up your farm telephone line, just drop by this company's nearest office. We'll be glad to show you - FREE what needs to be done, and how to do it. This offer applies to all farmers who own telephone lines that work out of towns served by ...



turned its attention to the prob-The Farmers Union has supported conservation payments lems of the small farmer-the which make it possible for farm- backbone of rural America.

ers to take care of the Nation's **Two Important Bills** most precious heritage-its soil. Two bills now pending in Con-The Farmers Union has been the gress, which have been endorsed leading voice in the fight for crop by your organization, would do insurance. Before many other groups of people even understood the importance and possibilities much to give security to the small farmers of this country. One of these is the Farm Debt Adjustment of disposing surplus farm commodbill introduced by Senator Wheelities among the nation's needy, the er, Bankhead, and LaFollette in Farmers Union was vigorously Farmers Union was vigorously the Senate, and by Congressman backing legislation to accomplish Marvin in the House. In spite of misleading statements to the con-Not only has the Farmers Un-ion fought for these things for who have long fought the battles

Juniors have been given an active part in the work to be done. 'To you Juniors: Let us remem ber that when we write or speak, our organization will be our identification. You can do it and yourselves justice and honor only if then at Local meetings and classes. Read and study your F. U. pub-

lications. Knowledge is power." The message from the Counsel-

it were, non-commissioned Torch-bearers, dispelling the darkness of ignorance and lighting the way for others. "And you have a message to

Yards Observe 75th Birthday Nation's Largest Live Stock Market Set Up in 1865 **On Christmas**

of a building expansion program. The Farmers Union Grain Ter-

minal Association operates a large

terminal elevator at St. Paul, an-

other at Minneapolis, and a sub-

Chicago's Union Stock Yards,

Christmas day.

for cattle, sheep, swine and horses that they have sold.

0. T. Henkle, vice president and general manager of the Union Stock Yard and Transit Company, operators of the Chicago Stock Yards, and holders of the original charter granted 75 years are

operations of the market.

animals until buyers from the city could come out and trade. These were the first of what might

the opening of the Chicago Yards, center of the country but still

of pork.

man and settlement was deferred until after slaughter. In 1852 the first two railroads

lagged far behind Cincinnati and

other relatively small packing cen-

ters further South in the handling

The Civil War revolutionized the

flow of livestock to market, as the

movement to the South was cut

off, and large numbers of cattle

and hogs were forced through the

railroad terminals ending and be

ginning at Chicago. To handle this

wartime boom, outside packers transferred their operations to the

safer environments of Chicago and

a large number of packing houses

were constructed along the South

Soon the old tavern stock vards

branch of the river.

Livestock markets were establish- and California. ed near the terminals of the rail-

roads and for the first time scales were installed so that animals could be sold on foot. Commission men came into existence to offer expert salesmanship to the produc-

fool the F. B. I. by lifting his face. manage the economic and social objected in factorians have un-life of the community in which you in voice a right that this covered much interesting data and information relative to the early-the best possible condition. Wheth-

THE CLOAK ROOM W. P. Lambertson Barnum and Woodrow Wilson didn't have any copyright on fooling the people.

Sometimes we wonder whether or not these colonies won the Rev olutionary War.

As a matter of fact, dull meet ings were never popular. If attendance in years past was better to Farmers Union meetings than today, then those meetings must have had more something, oomph is the popular term, to attract attendance and hold people's inter-

est. One of the things a meeting must 4 at the Idywild schoolhouse, un- of unselfish, mutual cooperation have is purpose: and the purpose der the direction of their leader, seeking to be of service because it must be developed by somebody, which necessitates Farmers Union Harold Swanberg. About thirty officers who are really active. It members were present. Miss Esther Ekblad of Salina his dealings with fellow men. is surely true that farmers have more social contacts today than a quarter century ago, and have no need to attend meetings simply for the purpose "to meet." It seems social life is a bit more follows: president, Walter Knitter, with you in a movement of Chris-Jr.; vice president, Robert King; tian charity and cooperation that complicated nowadays, perhaps, and entertainment needs more planning than in earlier days. secretary and treasurer, Mary El- will net you and them a better But this fact must be faced: Farlen Pfizenmaier; pianist, Dorothy and more prosperous community

mers Union meetings must bet-Ann Thomas; song leader, Foster in which to live. Others have don ter their competition for meeting Kretz; janitor, Lee Larson; re- it! Why not we?" porter, Maxine Pfizenmaier. It was nights. The organization meetings must prove themselves more decided that the president appoint worth-while than other meetings; a committee to arrange the next this they can do. They must be more attractive and important meeting. After the meeting Foster Kretz the month where he will the assissuch. Hard in several songs. The program consisted of several numbers by modity Exchange administration. such.

Meryl Velen and a tap dance by He is the son of T. B. Dunn, sec As Farmers Union interest develops, the cry is for more meet-Ruby Jane Sanneman. ings rather than less. The McPher-After the program games were ion Auditing Association, Salina. son County Farmers Union takes played. to monthly rather than only quar-Betty Jane Swanberg, Ruby Jane

terly meetings. The No. 8 Local at Sanneman and Maxine Pfizen-Marquette meets every Tuesday maier served refreshments. Visi-Let's start revolving our resolutors were Helen Ekblad, Ethel night, and that evening it crossed out for engagements by every oth- Carlson, Alex Johnson, and Mr. er organization or activity in that Carlson. vicinity.

People do come out for Good Meetings.

Happy New Year!

18 Your Paper, Folks

Two most interesting depart-ments of the Kansas Union Far-mer are Neighborhood Notes and the Open Forum. While the indi-by our president, Mr. Tommer. A property of the county meeting at viduals and the Local Unions who report on the county meeting at write to this paper may not al- Beattie was then given, and disways be the typical members and cussed.

Locals, they do present happen-ings and opinions directly from the officers for the coming year. John country cross-roads. Thinking may not always line up with that of dent; Irvan Rahe, vice president; the majority of members, but its E. H. Dettmer, secretary-treasurexpression does place minority er. views squarely into light. And

views squarely into light. And Mr. Tommer then gave an inter-opinions of the majority expressed esting discussion on Co-op elewithout brilliance or a new ap-proach are of little attraction, esvators. We then enjoyed some muproach are of little attraction, es-pecially on subjects of much con-A lunch of sandwiches, cake, cookies and coffee was then entroversial theory.

On the other hand, constructive hanges came only with the con-Next meeting will be January changes came only with the consent of the majority. Gradually, opinions or bits of opinion are accepted by new numbers of peo ple; and so develops the democrat-ic way of life. Therein is the

value of individual' expression; in thinking are the seeds of progress. Faulty thinking invites danger or decay

This is your publication. Farmers Union members are invited to contribute to the Open Forum. More important, secretaries of Lo-cal Unions are urged to make re-

ports of meetings, of discussions; to encourage consideration of res-olutions. If the secretary feels his

talents are not in writing, it would be well that the special office of 'reporter" be filled.

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Long has the development of Juniors in Pottawatomie letter and resignation. cooperative business institutions and Wabaunsee counties under the cooperative business institutions and wabatinese countries under the line of ask these offi-been a chief activity of the Kansas Farmers Union. The interest of Farmers Union people stretches or A. J. Adams, S. J., St. Marys. beyond their home territory in The editor is Margaret Reading, ter that hand in your resignation?

tary, both of Glen Elder.

afternoor

21 at the John Tommer home. E. H. Dettmer,

Sec.-Treas.

In Mitchell County

er it will or will not be so preserv-ed depends largely on how we all as accounts of the first Neighborhood live. Notes "Here are two ways of living.

this regard. It must be realized

tion members. Readable and im-

your interpretation of develop-

ments, and what you want done.

In Clay County

Maxine Pfizenmaier,

Reporter.

In Marshall County

Fred Peterson home on December

17 with a good crowd, and a very

Liberty Local No. 782 met at the

Highlights of this material, as revealed by Mr. Henkle, are as One is the pagan way of rugged individualism, of selfish profitfollows: Fresh Meat in 1827 seeking based on the idea that The Chicago Stock Yards were The Farmers Union Juniors of man is little nobler than a dog the Lincoln Local met December The other is the Christian way founded after nearly forty years of trying all other methods of

to Chicago. Ill., the latter part of

retary-manager of the Farmers Un-

Every farmer a Farmers Union

A New Yorker recently took a

necktie into a Fifth Avenue es-

Happy New Year.

tions.

selling livestock had proven unknows that every man has an successful. Since the first cattle were slaughtered at Chicago in eternal destiny which depends on 1827 to furnish fresh meat for the "Dare then, so to speak, write garrison at Ft. Dearborn until the Miss Esther Ekolad of Sama "Dare then, so to speak, write on "Why We Should Have a Jun-lor Farmers Union." She also had charge of the meeting and offi-cers were elected. They are as will be set on fire to join hands will be set on fire to join hands will be set on fire to for faith, will be set on fire to for faith, the set on faith set for faith, the set of the set on faith set for faith se

At first, drovers purchased aniand railroad markets proved inadmals from the settlers in the rich equate to handle the increased river bottoms of the Wabash and business and additional ones were other rivers to the South and herd-

being built or projected. By 1864 the livestock trading in ed them across the grass covered prairies to be slaughtered either Chicago had become so scattered in the open or in crude packing and inefficient that the packers, John Dunn, Kansas City Mo.

time to go back and get it." houses on the banks of the Chica- the railroads, the producers and "That isn't as bad," said the has been promoted and will move go River. all others interested in the indus-In 1832 the first beef and pork were packed on the site of Chi-cago, to be shipped by boat to second man, reminiscently, "as the time when he left his office and put out a card saying he'd be back at 3 oclock. Finding he'd Eastern markets, thus bringing in large central market. It was planforgotten something, he went back outside demand to furnish addi- ned to locate this new market to his office, read the notice on tional competition. For about twen- South of the city, yet in direct the door, and sat down on the ty years after this time, producers contact by road with the packing stairs to wait until 3 oclock." old their stock to drovers or di-

houses and at a point midway rect to packers on contracts made between the nine railroads serv months in advance of delivery. Payment was made on the basis ing the city, so that all of their ivestock busines could be handled of the weight of the carcass and with their own equipment to and final settlement was frequently defrom a central point over a juncferred until the product was sold tion railroad.

Purchase Lard in 1865 Chicago had two packing sea-At the beginning of 1865, a half sons each year. Cattle were fattensection of land, later increased to tablishment to be repaired, point- ed on the prairies until late fall

ers

345 acres, was purchased from (continued from page 1) ing out it had had considerable and then were slaughtered, packed Congressman John Wentworth and of either the land or those who wear since 1912 when he won it into barrels and hurried East by a perpetual charter was issued by work it. We see great areas of the state legislature of Illinois on land already badly eroded, as a February 13th to the Union Stock result of the frantic struggles of Yard and Transit Company of small farmers to make a living Chicago to construct and operate from the soil in the face of this

the Chicago Stock Yard as it excompetition from the big mechanists today. zed farms. We see tenants without Ground was first broken farms; owners with farms so heain June, 1865. Inasmuch as the chos-en site was a swampy prairie, the hardly call them their own. first operations consisted of digging thirty miles of ditches and a picture; but remember, I am not drains. As soon as the land be-came firm, large timbers were laid is already there. Yet it has its

and on this flooring the pens and sheds were soon taking form as an ored under military trained lead-

hardly call them their own. I do not mean to paint too dark a picture; but remember, I am not doing the painting. The picture is already there. Yet it has its brighter side. Think what it might have been if the United States Government guided and prompted by vigorous farm organizations like our own, had not acted. Ac-tually, this Nation has already taken tremendous steps forward in tackling this tremendous problem. The Farmers Union has joined other liberal forces in supporting legislation which has hit hard at many of the forces creating ru t me Farmers Union has fought for the Farmers Union has fought for the Farmers Union has fought for A large hotel known as the Hough House, which included an independent post-office; an ex-change building for marketing agencies, which also housed a bank and a newspaper office; and other parity income for the farmers. As necessary structures to form a specialized business community the result of AAA and related Govwere quickly constructed on the property and on Christmas Day, seven years the income of farmproperty and on Christmas Day, 1865, the market was ready for ers has increased tremendously

From the beginning, the Chicago market has been the largest of its kind in the world and a greater number of buyers operate on it than at any other similar spot in what he deserves for his bond than at any other similar spot in the country.

Today, according to Mr. Hinkle, tural adjustment program he is ad more than 300 buyers represent-ing large and small packers in the ly to immediate and future needs, Midwest and East as well as num- and he is adjusting himself against rous feeder cattle buyers seek- the disastrously low prices from ing unfinished livestock, operate on this market every business day of the year. Between them, he executive halls of Washington.

and sending of our troops to New- trial world. We have had the en- velop sounder and more truly cooperative system of farm credit. couraging spectacle of enlighten-I know when I look at this group ed farmers speaking up for equitable treatment for the workers in that this fight will go on.

this very thing.

Another bill to which you have the cities, and of enlightened lagiven wholehearted support is the bor groups fighting the farmer's battles for a larger share of the Lee-Jones Bill, introduced by Sen-Nation's income. Both groups have ator Josh Lee of Oklahoma in the joined in America's effort to rid Senate and by Congressman Maritself of monopoly, and to place vin Jones of Texas in the House reasonable controls upon those This bill would bring farm ownerpowerful groups which by their ship to thousands of tenant farmvery preponderance of power have ers who today work somebody overbalanced our economy against else's land, live in somebody else's the interests of the little fellow- house, and literally trade their farmer, laborer, and businessman lives for a small slice of the Amer--who struggles to keep his head ican security we hear so much about.

above water. been in the forefront of the fight for security for the low-income in American agriculture today and The Farmers Union has also farmers of this Nation. The Pro- mentioned some of the things gram of the Farm Security Ad- Government, with the aid of libministration has had no better or eral farm groups, has done in the more vigorous supporter than this group of farmers whose three fore going on to speak about what great cooperative organizations are Farm Security is doing, let me meeting here today. As a result summarize these problems of the efforts of liberal farm again. It is important that we keep groups and many tireless workers in Congress, our Nation finally has

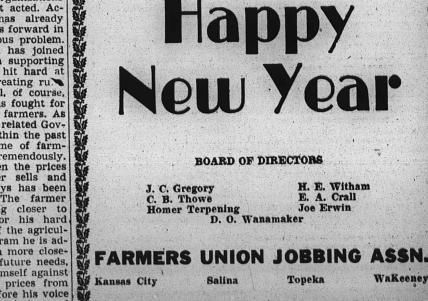
A few minutes ago I outlined them firmly in mind.

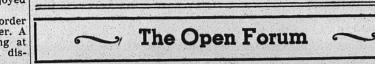
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IN SINCERE APPRECIATION OF THE GOOD WILL AND PATRONAGE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE KANSAS FARMERS UNION, WE WISH YOU A VERY



UNION JOBBING ASSN. FARMERS





by betting on Woodrow Wilson. | boat before navigation closed for

Letters from members are invited. Their length should We then would have had some thing to work on. As it stands the be kept within 500 words. Letters going over this length are not acceptable in this deship is stranded on the reef without a captain. The rule in the sailor's craft is, n case of a ship sinking, the cappartment, and will not be pub-

ticle.-The Editor. The Riley County Unit No. 45 of

Kansas Farmers Union Shipwrecked To the Editor:

On Saturday, December 7, 1940, the Riley County Farmers Union No. 45, was scheduled to hold its counted for. If our resigned offi-

ident, and Cecil Boehner, secre-

tain is the last man to leave dock. lished unless as a special ar-In our case the captain has des-erted and the membership is left to save itself as best it can. There is some property belong-ing to the membership as a unit,

such as charter, records, Farmers Union Banner and probably some

in the East.

4th quarterly meeting of 1940 at cers be sincere to themselves, the Walsburg schoolhouse by in-they would call a meeting of the vitation of F. U. Local No. 1198. county unit and explain themselv-

Ernest Deschner, Beloit, was elected president of the Mitchell County Farmers Union organiza-tion at the quarterly meeting in Beloit, December 18. Other offi-cers are Frank Hauptil, vice pres-tident of the Mitchell of the officers was a circular let-ter in the form of resignation with the new of the farmers Union Man-ageneial Association and the Divisi-

the names of the different officers agerial Association and the Divisiattached. In analyzing this letter on of Cooperative Marketing of The state president, E. K. Dean, It seems that our President, who K. S. C. Some very interesting dis-

back so peeved at results at said business institutions were taken

In Pottawatomie County A readable publication is the Torch, prepared by the Farmers Union Juniors in Pottawatomie

was the principal speaker of the was our delegate to the Farmers cussions on marketing and man-Union Convention at Parsons, came agement of cooperatively operated

I would like to ask these offi- possible. They are very education-

the country.

criss-cross and planked over sev- brighter side. Think what it might eral feet above the nation level

army of one thousand men, releasing from war-time duties, labTHE KANSAS UNION FARMER

Junior and Juvenile Department

ESTHER EKBLAD, Director

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

> HOLD HIGH THE TORCH Hold High the Torch! You did not light its glow-Twas given you by other hands, you know, Tis yours to keep it burning bright Yours to pass on when you no more need light; For there are other feet that we must guide, And other forms go marching by our side; And efforts which we think are not worthwhile, Are sometimes just the very help they need.

Actions to which their souls would give most need So that in turn they'll hold it high And say, "I watched someone else carry it this way." If brighter paths should beckon you to choose, Would your small gain compare with all you'd lose? Hold high the torch! You did not light its glow— "Twas given you by other hands, you know. I think it started down its pathway bright, The day the Maker said: "Let there be light." And once said, How Hung on Calvary's tree-Go! Shine-for me.

Greetings to All for A Happy 1941

Light the Path

A New Year, 1941, is here and is ours for what we will it. Through its weeks, days, hours and minutes we with our lives will write the record of all its movements. For each of us this record starts with me and then from me to us comes the story of communities, states and nations.

The day after Christmas a radio news commentator made a thought provoking observation. Through an order made in Germany all raiding and hostilities by German forces stopped on Christmas Day. Consequently the air and land was quiet and peaceful. The com mentator posed the question: "If hostilities can be stopped for one day, why must they start again?" Why must the fighting start again? If men are strong enough to fight, why aren't they strong enough to make peace for every day? How fine it would be to have happier questions to ask as we open the country is wrong and that its principles should be scrapped.

year faded out and here is where we must begin anew, trying sincere ly to do the above poem suggests—HOLD HIGH THE TORCH.

Extra! Extra! The first issue of the Pottawatomie-Wabaunsee county news bulis through a bloody revolution. letin, "The Torch," came off the press a couple weeks ago. How thrilled we were to receive that initial copy! The Juniors of these two Counties, who are all members of a Ju-

nior class at St. Marys, are the publishers of "The Torch." Mrs. Bernard Immenschuh, Junior Leader, is sponsor with Margaret Reading, editor.

The first issue, which we presume, is a sample of those to come once a month, is rich in Farmers Union Local news stories, and in editorials written by leaders and Juniors. Mrs. Immenschuh has written about the bulletin: "We (Juniors) decided at our last meeting to print a little monthly paper. In order to give our readers as much in-formation is possible about the Juniors we have decided to have several articles in our first issue about the Motto, colors, and purpose police.

of our Junior organization"—And so they have. We think the idea of a monthly paper grand, and wish these folks much success with "The Torch."

"Power and the Land"

A movie has now been made by the government telling the story of rural electrification. This movie, "Power and the Land," is acted by an ordinary farm family in Ohio. Through the scenes farm life and heat is pictured. This picture is released by Radio-Kieth Orphenm and can be shown upon request free of charge in any theater, "Power and the the Land, is acted across a state line, rather than as foreigners, of those to the south more as strangers since they speak a language different from his. He thinks of them with the

Land" would be valuable to any group trying to organize a Rural Elec-tric Cooperative. Go to your local theater and ask that it be shown. We

SALINA, KANSAS, THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 1941

cotton would become one of the **Reception Ceremony for Juniors** "musts" for hosiery production. The following companies are

The first meeting night in Jan-uary of each year is Junior Night. Since Juniors become members upon attaining sixteen years of Juniors: "Yes." now manufacturing women's fullfashioned cotton hose following the designs developed by the Bu-reau of Home Economics: Gotham Silk Hosiery Company, 200 Madison Avenue, New York

age, all Junior Reserves who have become sixteen during the pre-City, is making one novelty mesh ceding year, and any new Junior these aims and purposes?" (Ju-City, is making one novelty mesh known as "Government Style No. local with the ceremony given President: "Will you repeat with

Excello Hosiery Mills , Haw- here. thorne, New Jersey, are making Make special preparations for this meeting. Send to the State Ofwhite plain-knit stockings for nurses' wear, known as "Govern-ment Style No. 112." Apex Hosiery Company, 200 Fifth Avenue, New York City, is making five designs, some of which are modifications of styles suggested by the Bureau of Home Economics. Several more companies are now is the process of adopting Bureau

in the process of adopting Bureau of Home Economics designs. Ceremony of Welcome to Juniors. ers Union, I present to you, (nam-es of Juniors) who are now full President: "Junior Leader, do we have any Juniors to be re-ceived into this local?" From "The Lantern"

HE IS AN AMERICAN Leader: "Yes, we have (state He hears an airplane overhead, and if he looks up at all, does so received into the Farmers Union." President: "Bring them forward." organization and to help keep this in curiosity, neither in fear, nor (Leader brings Juniors to front of an active local. It is our duty to in hope of seeing a protector. His wife goes marketing, and room where the President rises to assist them in every way to beher purchases are limited by her her purchases are limited by her receive them. They stand in line. needs, her tastes, her budget, but half facing the membership).

Leader: "Mr. President, I pre-sent these young people who by virtue of the paidup membership of their fathers, are eligible to become members of the Farmers Educational and coopera-tion." (Juniors are seated and the not by decree. He comes home of an evening through streets which are well lighted, not dimly in blue. He has never worn a gas mask. He has never been in a bomb-His military training, an R. O. T. C. course in college, he took because it excused him from the will the privileges and responsi-bilities of membership." bilities of membership." Educational and Cooperative Un- business of the local is continued.

ulsory.

without fear.

o the police.

gym course, and it was not com

sion of the Department of Agri- and neglect of conservation prac-He belongs to such fraternal orculture. tices already has ruined or damganizations and clubs as he wish-"Best hair mattresses contain aged an area as large as six of

hair from horses' manes, a very our big farm states? Every day He adheres to a political party soft and durable hair, plus an ad- enough soil to make 200 forty-acre. to the extent that he desires—the dominant one, if that be his choice, "Cheaper hair mattresses and "Cheaper hair mattresses and farms still is washing or blowing "Cheaper hair mattresses are away.

but with the distinct reservation filled with hog's hair, which has a Pressure of Four Forces that he may criticize any of its tendency to mat and become very policies with all the vigor which hard. Cattle tail hair is used, too, These four fources—population pressure, shrunken markets, meto him seems proper—any other as his convictions dictate, even if off offensive odors during hot or have produced an army of distress-ing as his convictions dictate, even if it be his decision, one which holds damp weather. ed and disadvantaged farmers in that the theory of government of Hair-filled mattresses are exthis Nation. It is these people

pensive when they are of top flight whom the Farm Security Adminquality, and in the lower grades they are less satisfactory than cot-ton mattresses. A good rule is to

is out of power, that the only way in which it can come into power favor a cotton mattress whenever known as rehabilitation loans, to He converses with friends, even hance acquaintances, giving free. the price, range overlaps that of hance acquaintances, giving free. hance acquaintances, giving free-"Best cotton-filled mattresses are from any other source. The loan

y his opinion on any subject vithout fear. He does not expect his mail to e opened between posting and eccipt, nor his telephone to be be opened between posting and receipt, nor his telephone to be ally raw cotton is used as filling. new plow to replace the broken

tapped. He changes his place of dwellone. Factory-made raw cotton mattress-He changes his place of dwell-ing, and does not report so doing the same usually less desirable than felted cotton mattresses. Each rehabilitation loan is coupled with sympathetic, commonsense guidance in how to get the "Kapok makes a soft mattress, He has not registered with the but is very brittle, and unless the most out of a farm and how to mattress is sunned and aired fre- use the land mose wisely. This

police. He carries an identification card only in case he should be the vic-tim of a traffic accident. He thinks of his neighbors across international borders—of those to the north as though they were Method with excelsior, straw, and the north as though they were the north as though they were Method with excelsion are accessed and aired fre-guidance is not simply technical information—although it includes much of that. It is also advice on the adjustments which are neces-sary to enable the small American farmer to meet the changing conthe north as though they were are sold under deceptive names. across a state line, rather than as Excelsior, for example has been ditions of these swift-moving times. All FSA rehabilitation borrow-

REFERENDUM BALLOT Juniors: "Yes." President: "Do you promise to give your best efforts to further

me the Farmers Union Creed." (All repeat Creed in unison

President: "It gives me great

privileges of membership — the right to hold office, to vote at

study the fundamentals of this

recognized members of the Farm-

The following amendments to the constitution and by-laws of the Kansas Farmers Union were approved by the delegates at the state convention in Parsons, Kansas, November 1, 1940, and are hereby submitted to the membership for their approval or rejection.

Instructions

These amendments should be voted on immediately, by the Local Unions, and returns forwarded to Rex Troutman, State Secretary, Salina.

The total number of votes FOR, and the total number of votes AGAINST each amendment must be recorded in the squares at the right of each amendment.

A	nen	dm	ent	No.	1	
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Page 6; Division B, Article 1, Section 2 (Election of Delegates). To amend by striking out the following: "Each chartered Cooperative Votes Business Association conducted in the name of the Farmers Union, For providing such associations must have at least 51 per cent of all stockholders in good standing as paid up members in the Kansas Farmers Union, and in conformity with regulations and condition prescribed by the Board of Directors of the State Union shall be entitled to one delegate to the State Union, who shall be appointed by the Board of Directors of the Association eligible to represen-

Page 7, same division and article as above To amend by striking out the following: (line 4) "and chartered cooperative association."

Amendment No. 2—Dues Page 35, Division C, Article 4, Section 1, Line 4. To amend to read as follows: "The dues of the adult male members shall be divided as follows: 80c to the local union, 15c to the county union, 75 cents to the publishing account of the Kansas Union Farmer, 30 cents to the National Union and 75 cents to the State Union"	For	
Page 35, line 10, to amend to read as follows: "The State Secretary- treasurer shall remit quarterly to the National Secretary-Treasurer 30 cents and to the County Secretary-Treasurer 15 cents for each adult male member as such annual dues are received by him."	Votes	
Amendment No. 3	Votes For	
Page 38, Division D, Article 1, Section 1. To amend to read as fol- lows: A County Union may be instituted in any county having not fewer than three chartered Local Unions with a total membership of not less than sixty members. After a"	Votes No	
The above is a true and correct return of the vote of		•••••
Local, Number in	STATE STATE SALE PAR	
Local Pre	aidant	

Loans to Build Co-ops

(SEAL)

Local Secretary

Votes

No

ers are "live-at-home" families.

They produce nearly everything 000. And these were families, members believe in paying back buy family-type farms of their they need in the way of food fo

FAGE THREE

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had opportunity to see this picture while in Chicago. We thought it ernment and theirs, but of neither very worthwhile and also entertaining.

Pay Dues Early

January is the dues paying month. Juniors, you may receive Junior membership cards just as soon as your father's dues are paid. Convince him to pay early. Those of you who receive Junior cards this year for the first time should be received into the Local by the Junfor Reception Ceremony which is found in the Junior Manual and which is printed in this KUF. At the first meeting night in January the president of the local should give time to receive Junior members as well as any new adult members.

TORCH BEARER PROJECT

Have you a Torch Bearer in your local? In your County? If so, surrounding territory, preferably give him (or her) some help on those that are dying. Five people

Here are the projects from which head costs.

Torch Bearers may choose. Which would be most helpful to you? (1) Organize a Recreation Group. Learn half a dozen dances

the folk dances. This group should present folk dances from many countries, and a part of the pre-sentation should be a short dis-

vance. (4) Organize a Convention At-tendance group for your state or are particularly appropriate. In addition, silk is becoming scarcer and more difficult to obtain with convention, that you discuss var- ed in sufficient quantity to meet dous ways and means of financing the trip and that you make ar-To date the Bureau of Home the trip and that you make arrangements for traveling, food and housing. Economics has developed over 80 different styles of full-fashioned

with an expectancy of war. He worships God in the fashion of his choice, without let. His children are with him in his home, neither removed to a place

He does not believe, if his party

of greater safety, if young, nor if older, ordered ready to serve he state with sacrifice of limb, or

He has his problems, his troub les, his uncertainties, but all others are not overshadowed with the mminence of battle and sudden group. If you can't get more than death.

He should struggle to preserve Such a Leader Can Develop Special program to be presented by five his Americanism with its priceless people. Work out a schedule; be privileges:

sure you can visit the Locals in He is a fortunate man. He is an American.-New York sun.

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USE COTTON HOSE

five people, then work out a good

Group. Raise the money to pay for the attendance at camp by various hose it is not expected that they types of programs and money-mak-ers during the winter. Plan to thetics for all kinds of wear. But ers during the winter. Plan to take the group on a tour of inter-esting places on the way to or esting places on the tour in ad-esting places on the tour in ad-esting places on the tour in ad-enter the group of a tour of inter-esting places on the way to or esting places on the tour in ad-esting places on the tour in ad-enter the group of a tour of inter-esting places on the tour in ad-esting places on the tour in ad-enter the group of a tour of inter-esting places on the tour in ad-enter the group of a tour of inter-esting places on the tour in ad-enter the group of a tour of inter-esting places on the tour in ad-enter the group of the tour in ad-enter the tour in ad-enter the tour in ad-enter the tour in ad-enter the group of the tour in ad-enter tour in adfrom camp. Plan the tour in ad- are also times when cotton hose

a geographic point of view, fami-lies in the Southeast have poorer diets than those in other parts of the country; Negro families have poorer diets than white families; Investigate Mattress Fillings

eager to do something for the Farmers Union. Set a subscription goal, meet with your group regu-

TION AND LEGISstock.

LATIVE NEEDS

(continued from page 2) **Other Farm Problems**

give him (or her) some help on the Torch Bearer Project he choose, but all contain music, reading, a short the you can get the audience to take part. Four of the group cation is the theme.
Each Torch Bearer is asked to thoose his project and regord. Torganize at raveling play. If we had the sate the audience to this office by January first. Them we shall notify his State Leader to she may help hi any way possible. We are asking for a report of the work every to monts. A erite and one car or two at the safety line.
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IN LAND OF ABUNDANCE
<li sible. We are asking for a report on the work every two months. A final report of the work accom-plished must reach us by October first, 1941 ,except for the Con-vention Group Projects, which will admission fee to cover your over-with her ago of play, the approximate of the max not be hungry—and sible. We are asking for a report final report of the work accom-plished must reach us by October first, 1941 ,except for the Con-vention Group Projects, which will admission fee to cover your over-the approximate of the second play, the approximate of the second play the second play, the approximate of the second play the second play, the approximate of the second play the second

admission fee to cover your over-head costs. (9) Organization of new Mem-bers. This project was suggested by a Torch Bearer. To sign up fif-teen new members in the Farmers Internally, too, America's mar- tion-new purchasing power which A. Altogether, these loans for par-

Group. Learn half a dozen dances and take your group on tour of the Locals in your vicinity to present while. Group. Learn half a dozen dances teen new members in the Farmers Union would be a work well worth their digestive systems are fre-quently upset—they are subject to ently need more of our food and the dances departed more of our food and the dances This group should the dances uently upset-they are subject to ently need more of our food and

all kinds of aches and pains. They may not be sick in bed—but they are in the general condition of the vast problem of distributing all the bounties of Nature which

cussion of the folk dance and how it developed in the country, or its who are in the group, to make authentic folk dance costumes to wear while the dances are pre-sented as a part of the presenta-tion get the audience to partici-pate in the dances. (2) Organize a Discussion Groups in your own Locals. Take up five different topics to discuss. (3) Organize a camp Attendance Group. Raise the money to pay for the attendance at camp Attendance

one of America's most prosperous "In general, families on poor diets get plenty of starchy foods-because they are cheap-and they and stable farming areas-in this region we found that 2,336 rehabilitation borrowers, families which had obtained FSA loans and operated farms in 1935, were unable to rent land for the 1940 season. poor diet is most likely ot be lack-Another 6,246 applicants who were

"Undernourished people live ev-erywhere. Generally speaking, fam-unable to find farms to rent. An tendance group for your state or and more difficult to obtain with erywhere. Generally speaking, fam-for the National Convention. This both Japan and Italy at war. The synthetic most promising as a will mean that you must have synthetic most promising as a people interested in attending the hosiery fiber is not as yet production to be added to be adde incomes; larger families have poorported that they could find no er diets than small families; from land. In other words, 24,702 farm families in these five states alone were unable to find a place for the country; Negro families have (5) Organize a subscription cam-base varying all the way from mer. Put half a dozen people to work on this—Juniors who are themselves on the land-about 2

goal, meet with your group regu-larly and put on a good program and a supper at the end of your subscription campaign. (6) Organize a visiting program

the table and feed for their live-stock. get loans from private sources— had very little worry about the repayment of these loans. Tenancy, which recommended the Now, there is nothing temporary risks who had nowhere to turn about this kind of assistance. Re- for help.

about this kind of assistance. Re- for help. habilitation borrowers are helped to plan their farm program for to plan their farm program for habilitation borrowers are helped to plan their farm program for the very beginning. Makes loans to farmers for par-ticipation in existing cooperatives is only a part of FSA's interest in to plan the very beginning. Makes loans to farmers for par-ticipation in existing cooperatives to only a part of FSA's interest in to ward reestablishing the familyto plan their farm program for uon program is played by cooper-several years in advance—helped atives. From the very beginning, to use their resources to great ad-vantage. Occasionally direct grants an effective traditionally Ameri-income farmers to enable them to it out. We are making long-term

legislation setting up this part of

Other Farm Problems
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\$95,000,000.

Health Program Needed In still another field, Farm Security has helped 70,000 of its bor-(continued on page 4)

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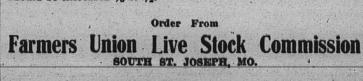
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DOSAGE TABLE

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SALINA, KANSAS, THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 1941

minion government that in all **Canadian Farm Leaders** conferences of representatives of Canada with the British ministry of foods or other such bodies bar-gaining for agricultural produce, Canada's representatives should **Study Effects of War** include persons selected by vol-untary associations representing

Prices of Agricultural Products Are of Great Concern, and War Has Disrupted Export Markets-Con-

ference Adopts Resolutions

producer until it is graded in the packing plant, and From the Western Producer Wheat and livestock policy were the chief subjects discussed at a Whereas large quantities of cattle and sheep are marketed by producers on a consignment basis where ownership is retained until special meeting of the Western ada's marketable grain shall be Agricultural Conference held in marketed. sold in public markets or direct Regina December 11-12. The mem- 2. That it is the opinion of this

to plants, and bodies of the conference are: conference that until such time Manitoba Federation of Agricul-ture; Saskatchewan Cooperative conference; Alberta Federation of Agricul-ture; Conference; Alberta Federation of Agriculture on a parity with the price of the Livestock and Livest conference; Alberta Federation of Agriculture; B.C. Chamber of Ag-riculture. All the provinces were represented except British Col-umbia. As the decisions of the conference go before the annual meeting of the Canadian Federa-tion of Agriculture to be held at Toronic Lanuary 21-23, 1941, the

Toronto January 21-23, 1941, the aggregate price received for Can-far western provinces may have decided to bring the question of fruit before the national body, because the question also affects decided to bring the question of fruit before the national body, because the question also affects decided to bring the question of fruit before the national body, because the question also affects decided to bring the question of fruit before the national body, because the question also affects decided to bring the question of fruit before the national body, because the question also affects decided to bring the question of fruit before the national body, because the question also affects decided to bring the question of fruit before the national body, decided to bring the question of fruit before the national body, decided to bring the question of fruit before the national body, decided to bring the question of fruit before the national body, decided to bring the question of fruit before the national body, decided to bring the question of fruit before the national body, decided to bring the question of fruit before the products the products the product the product of fruit before the product the product of the product the product the product the product the product of the product the prod

because the question also affects the eastern provinces. Discuss Price Problems The conference opened with a general discussion on wheat led by the chairman, J. H. Wesson, The the mathematical body, per bushel. The conference opened with a general discussion on wheat led by the chairman, J. H. Wesson, president of the conference, and president of Saskatchewan Wheat the at board be urged to under-Board of Grain Commissioners to Pool, who outlined for the infor-mation of delegates the policy adopted at a meeting of the boards adopted at a meeting of the bolt in of the three Wheat Pools held in Regina on the two preceding days. The points covered were: Reduc-livery quotas should be continued livery quotas should be continued in production, transportation, grad-ing, processing, handling and mar-livery quotas should be continued production, transportation, grad-ing, processing, handling and mar-livery quotas should be continued production, transportation, grad-ing, processing, handling and mar-livery quotas should be continued production, transportation, grad-ing, processing, handling and mar-livery quotas should be continued production, transportation, grad-ing, processing, handling and mar-livery quotas should be continued

The points covered were: Reduc-tion of acreage; elevator storage; farm storage; quotas; additional payments on 1939 and 1940 crops; processing tax; prices. The chair-man announced that Hon. J. G. Conditioned devices of the the storage of the storage Gardiner, dominion minister of be based on a policy which will of the Federation to the dominion

agriculture, had agreed to meet the delegates to discuss with them equitable share of this quota, bas-Delegates Delegates attending the confered on its past production.

the farming industry. Livestock

15. Whereas regulations have been instituted making it com-

pulsory for hogs to be graded on the rail whereby the ownership of

the product remains vested in the

ence were: Manitoba Federation of Agricul-Mr. Gardiner addressed the meeting on the afternoon on De-Hutchinson and R. Brown be a cember 11. He dealt particularly committee to nominate a commit- Burnell.

with the agreements with Great Britain on bacon and cheese, and the situation with regard to the the Canadian Federation of Agri-P. Roblin, J. McCaig, W. T. Mooexports of cattle and poultry pro-ducts. There was at present, he said, no necessity to export cattle ment be urged, in view of restrict-Frisk. ney, J. D. McFarlane, B. Jetersen, Mrs. Callum, Mrs. Bradley, E. E.

said, no necessity to export cattle to Great Britain. Canada was send-ing between 200,000 and 300,000 head to the United States but if the necessity arose some of this export could be diverted to Great Britain. With respect to eggs Great Britain required a supply which mould improve their rationing sys-

High Grade Cows Lower Costs of

eggs could be exported if shipping space were available. Practically the same situation existed with regard to butter; price was a fac-tor as the Canadian price was above the price which Great Brit-vator congestion but also of pro-**Greater Efficiency in Produc**tion Makes Possible Wider

tin was willing to pay and she had the resources of New Zealand and Australia to draw upon. viding definite insurance against 11. That we urge upon the do-

Editor's Note: So no one

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can say we are discussing any

10. That we recommend to the

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the dairy industry, and the ANALYZE FARM SITUAplace where the most improvement is possible, is on the average milkproducing farm," according to Mr Reed. "Thousands of farmers need to breed better cows-higher pro-

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SALINA, KANSAS

with local physicians—cooperative associations in which each famfamilies pool together. This is in-

and sanitary facilities for the ers. thousands of landless families— W

cal authorities, to reach particular-ly into the poorer farm areas of food stamp administrator, Milo years to come; will it protect our in some poor rural areas are al-most unbelievably bad—conditions human misery. One way to make which should make us Americans it add to human happiness is to turn our heads in shame. Last distribute it to those who need it, year we in FSA made a detailed and pay the farmer for his job of health survey of 100 low-income producing it. Some day, if we keep farm families in two typical Sou- moving ahead, the low-income city farm families in two typical Sou-thern counties, and here is what dweller should be able to pay for we found. We discovered that it by himself, and the Governamong the diseases from which ment will not have to subsidize the the 575 persons in these families welfare of human beings for whom were suffering, there were 132 our system is not now providing. cases of rickets among children; The last point I want to suggest al cases of nickets alloing children, in the point point is a subscription of the study thoroughly the study thoroughly the inau-14 cases of nellagra; 288 cases of possibilities offered by the inau-14 cases of pellagra; 288 cases of possibilities offered by the inau-diseased tonsils; 360 individuals guration, at the proper time, of defective visions. defective visions. a public works program in overdefective visions. place where idle men and idle money could be put to work for At present we are conducting similar surveys in many other states; and the health conditions more than a decade-rebuilding the forests, controlling floods, restor-ing eroded land. Here, too, is Amwhich they are disclosing are very much the same. This Nation sim-ply cannot afford to let such conerica's opportunity to do something about rural housing, one of litions continue. the most serious problems facing Many Unfit for Army farm people today. Thousands of As we are straining every nerve American farmers live in home which are little better than shacks

to strengthen our national de-fenses, we are becoming acutely -tumble down, unpainted, insan conscious that our Nation's health itary, crowded dwellings in which the tap root of its vital manpower, disease and discomfort and disis not what it should be. Army couragement are almost inevitable medical officers have been find Every penny spent in a works program to meet these rural probing nearly one out of every three volunteers unfit for military serems would be a wise investment vice. Moreover—and this is tre-mendously significant—the larg-est proportion of volunteers comes in both capital assets and human welfare. Every penny so invested would yield big dividends in bet-ter land, richer forests, and a hapfrom the rural areas-from the areas of high birth rates, limited pier and stronger people. opportunity, and poor health. Mal-**Calls for Democratic Action** nutrition, pellagra, hookworm, rickets, tuberculosis—these are These are merely some of the

things we should be thinking about preventablie, but dangerous You and other liberal groups of threats to our national safety. Such farmers who believe in construcdiseases must be wiped out if tive thought and constructive acthe American farmer is ever to

tion should determine whether or move forward, and if this Nation is to maintain the strength which not they should be parts of a program to give greater meaning and will be required to carry it through strength to our democracy. These the present crisis. things are merely extensions of Ownership should be extended

what the Government is already ily's annual fee is pooled with that to a much greater number of tendoing in some way. They are not of many others. Participating fam- ants through expansion of the ilies get medical care from their Bankhead-Jones Tenant Purachase regular family doctors; while the program. Even with the limited original with me. Each of the thoughts has already been expressed by farm leaders who want to doctors are paid by the associa-tions from the money which the to enable tenants to become own-and more secure place on which number of loans we are making make the American farm a better ers today, farm ownership in Am- to live.

families pool togetner. This is in erica is still losing ground. It we expensive, effective health insur-ance for low-income farm families, believe in ownership and the fam-and it is helpful to rural doctors, liy-type farm as fundamental ele-ily-type farm as fundamental ele-ditures of federal funds, some of ments of our agricultural economy, ditures of federal funds, some of Alberta Federation of Agricul-ture: L. Hutchinson, C. Jensen. Members of the boards of the three Wheat Pools also attended American scheme of things-this

We should consider ways of lib- whole country was developed by

Milk Production display and sizes. Nearly 28,000 better than anything I could say the sters forces and think that we need to develop the way in which adverse forces and think that we need to develop the way in which adverse forces and think that we need to develop the way in which adverse forces and think that we need to develop the way in which adverse forces and thinks that we need to develop the way in which adverse forces and thinks that we need to develop the way in which adverse forces and thinks that we need to develop the way in which adverse forces and thinks that we need to develop the way in which adverse forces and thinks that we need to develop the way in which adverse forces and the farmer stands a thinks in which the Government add, the farmer stands a thinks in which the government add, the farmer stands a thinks in which the government add, the farmer stands a thinks in which the government add, the farmer stands a thinks in which the government add, the farmer stands a thinks in which the government add, the farmer stands a thinks in which the government add, the farmer stands a thinks in which the government add, the farmer stands a thinks in which the government add the farmer stands a thinks in which the government add the farmer stands a thinks in which the government add the farmer stands a thinks in which the government add the farmer stands a thinks in which the government add the farmer stands a thinks in which the government add the farmer stands a thinks in which the government add the farmer stands a thinks in which the government add the farmer stands a thinks in which the government add the farmer stands a thinks in which the government add the farmer stands a thinks in which the government add the farmer stands a thinks in which the government add the farmer stands a thinks in which the government add the farmer stands a thinks in which the government add the farmer stands a the government add the farmer stands a the government add the farmer stands a the government add the farme use of proved sires. Nearly 28,000 farm herds are now enrolled in dairy herd-improvement associa-tions, or more than double the number 6 years ago. The produc-tion records of these association herds are the basis of the Nation-wide cooperative effort to find the ware to relate the cost of money to the farmer. The product of the number of the numbe

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in cooperation with State and lo- commodities, and to meet the ment money: will this expenditure soil and other natural resources;

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TION AND LEGIS-LATIVE NEEDS lucing cows-to reduce their costs of milk production." Best Way to Build Up Herd rowers to set up low-cost medical care associations in collaboration The Bureau report cites considerable evidence that the provedsire system of breeding is the most promising way to develop efficicient producing dairy herds. The Bureau's experimental breeding herds of Holsteins and Jerseys

now average 99 and 95 pounds higher in butterfat production, respectively, than the high-produc-ing cows that were selected to found these herds. This improvement is credited entirely to the quality of the proved sires used; for there has been no change in

ticed, and no cows have been cul-

creased. He pointed out that the crop up to the amount of the indi- portunity for a wider market, ac-British ministry of food did not vidual quota.

would improve their rationing sys- mum price guarantee for wheat

tem and had asked for ten mil- produced in the current crop year

agreement had been made, but dominion government that assis-

lion cases. Canada could not sup- and for the crop year of 1941.

put bacon in a high place with because a better use could be the annual meeting of the Canamade of the feed. They had made dian Federation of Agriculture. a special concession to Canada by agreeing to take 425 million pounds instead of 290 million. The the prairie governments to proreduced price he said, should not vide by special legislative enactmean a reduction to the farmer of ments, if necessary, protection for more than 50 cents per 100 lbs., or farmers against seizure, foreclosapproximately one dollar per hog on the average price over the last until living and operation means year (which he put at \$8.30) and have been secured by the indivithe market was assured to him. Considering the situation in Great crop delivery restriction Britain, he was of the opinion that the authorities had dealt generously with Canada with re-

spect to this product. Great Britain, he said, would take canned and dried apples in

the problems of agriculture.

ply more than a million so no

The Great Value of Cash Trading stated amounts but did not require fresh fruit. They had plenty of apples of their own. The Canadian government therefore was endeavoring to stimulate the consumption at home of Canadian grown fruit.

Mr. Gardiner also dealt briefly with the wheat problem. The fig-ures he gave in his speech in the house of commons, he said, were not intended to be taken in the ordinary sense of statistics which were based entirely on past exnot be ordinary after the war. The war, he said, might last five years and he had endeavored t oestimate the future of wheat in terms of periences. These were not ordinary the future of wheat in terms of war conditions lasting that long, on a hit-and-miss granting of crednot in terms of past experience in it. There are too many times when ordinary conditions. The quota sys-tem, he said, in his opinion should be continued and he was also of noticed this particular change opinion that farm storage should be encouraged although it basis, and we have improved the would probably be necessary to general quality of our patrons by build additional terminal storage elimin space. He was doubtful if many risks. farmers were prepared to pay in-

farm stored grain. Mr. Gardiner answered many Mr. Gardiner answered many questions put to him by delegates in the course of which he said handling these accounts you are that the department of agriculture was endeavoring to show to the farmers what kind of hog to and in many instances, lost pat-produce and how to do it. The ronage.

government, he said, was also giving consideration to some of the matters which the delegates were

discussing. The meeting with Mr. Gardiner occupied practically the whole of the afternoon. The meeting with Mr. Gardiner occupied practically the whole of the afternoon. the afternoon Resolutions

fit directly. Cash trading increas-On the second day the delegates es patronage refunds. This is true discussed the several questions in- because it is possible to make volved in the agricultural situa-tion, the question of allocating quomore money to work with, and discount savings are reflected in the amount of patronage earnings tas on an equitable basis and so as to recognize both need and available for the members.

efficient farming proving the most difficult. Eventually the delegates accepted a basis in principle and appointed a special committee to work out the details. The decisions reached by the conference were embodied in the following series of resolutions all of which were passed unanimously. Wheat

1. That this conference reaffirm lar collected. the opinion that Canada's internal economy can be best serve by the maintenance of a National

cording to O. E. Reed, Chief of the 12. That the chairman and sec- U. S. Bureau of Dairy Industry, regard to its nutritive value and retary draft a memorandum cov- in his annual report to the Secrethe production of hogs in Great ering the wheat policy adopted by tary of Agriculture. Britain had been actually reduced the conference for submission to Although the dairy Although the dairy industry itself can do nothing directly to increase family incomes, "it could **Protection Against Seizures** accomplish somewhat the same re-

processed, and distributed with greater efficiency and the savings thus effected were passed on to housands of potential consumers in the form of lower milk prices." The Bureau's research and service activities are directed largely dual farmers during the period of toward development and establish-

ment of more efficient practices throughout the whole dairy indus-**Representation on Marketing**

Boards "The greatest need for efficiency 14. That it be urged upon the do-

sociation herds. This information gram which help to anchor other association herds to eliminate the their herds by using outstanding

sires and brood cows. Artificial insemination is rapidy becoming an important means f making the most extensive use 13. That this meeting request sult if all milk were produced, of good proved sires. Within the last year, approximately 40,258 breeding animals were sold from association herds in 48 States. Such breeding animals play an importint role in breeding up the efficiency of milk production where-ever they are placed."

Better Dairy Products—More Outlets

low-income farm families, and help hem achieve security on the land. The Bureau report also reviews This means greater emphasis on the work done in developing fun-damental information for improvthe live-at-home program, diversi-

fication, conservation, and wise ing the quality of dairy products, farm planning. Widespread development of farand for developing new outlets for dairy products and byproducts. mers cooperatives, including Fed-At a small Wisconsin cheese factory this past season, the Bureau for low-income farmers to parti-Is Increased Loyalty of Members successfully demonstrated that the cipate in cooperative activities alquality of domestic Cheddar cheese can be improved materially by controlling the quality of the milk supply and the various steps in the manufacturing process. Using the state of the aid of farmers cooperatives just as it came to the aid of the Nation's soil, because I believe our the manufacturing process. Using the facilities of a laboratory-equiphuman resources are certainly as ped automobile trailer, the Buimportant as our physical assets. We badly need the development reau's field man tested and se-

of a widespread health program,

the development of acid in the vat within narrow limits, packed he cheese in valve-vented cans, and stored it at 34 degrees F. for about 6 months. Experienced graders examined the samples from each of 69 vats and scored only 1 lot below 90. Eighty-eight percent of the cheese scored between 91 and 94, indicating that it was exceptionally uniform in quality. The essential part of this control program included nothing be-yond the ability of any experienced cheese maker, and this demonstration indicated that "any factory that will meet these requirements will be assured of a uniformly high quality of cheese throughout the year."

Efforts to devise new food uses for dairy byproducts resulted in the development of a process for making sirup from sugar in skim milk. This sirup is clear, has a sweet, pleasing taste, will keep

Credit is one of the dangerous sweet, pleasing taste, will keep operating factors we have to han- well, and is suitable for use on the dle. It takes nerve and judgment table or in the manufacture of

the personal financial problems of our patrons as our own for, there-lets for the constituents of dairy by, we may be inclined to grant byproducts resulted in an entirely credit unwisely. If I sense anynew plastic material from lactic thing at the present time, it is acid, which promises to have exthat our cooperatives are realiz- tensive commercial application in ing that these practices have been gasproofing waterproofing and bad and if persisted in will lead fabrics. The materials entering into destruction. to its manufacture are compara Our volume for an eight month tively inexpensive and it is solu-Less borrowed money is requir-d. Less interest cost, consequently, esults in more income. Also made from lactic acid was a new resin which is insoluble in cause no one has to be retained 56,734. This in itself is not much as a collection agent and there are no legal expenses connected with further collections. The combined expense of collection costs an appreciable amount of every dol-lar collection Operating costs are reduced be-\$6,734. This in itself is not much most solvents, including water and

have amounted to \$1,213 and our A merican casualties in the operating net has advanced from World war were 126,000 killed, a loss of \$743 to a net profit of 234,000 wounded and 4,500 taken prisoner or missing. Bad debt losses are eliminated. \$4,412.

the resources of New Zealand and Australia to draw upon. Dealing with the bacon agree-ment Mr. Gardiner stated that al-though the price had been reduced by \$2.19 per 100 pounds the quan-tity had been substantially in-tity had been substantially in-beld in farm storage from the 1941 torm in the targe from the indi-be given to resist a deal that thought should the modary as migrant field work-satisfactory cash advance on wheat torm up to the amount of the indi-be given to resist a way as to pro-stity had been substantially in-beld in farm storage from the 1941 torm up to the amount of the indi-be given to resist a way as to pro-stity had been substantially in-beld in farm storage from the 1941 torm up to the amount of the indi-be dairy industry's greatest op-beld in farm storage from the 1941 torm up to the amount of the indi-be dairy industry's greatest op-beld in farm storage from the 1941 torm up to the amount of the indi-be dairy industry's greatest op-beld in farm storage from the indi-be dairy industry's greatest op-beld in farm storage from the indi-torm up to the amount of the indi-t

high. New ways must be found to inlow-income farm families on the crease consumption of farm prounworthy bulls and to build up land where they are today—Amer-the production inheritance of ica's vast army of potential mi-the production inheritance of ica's up army of potential miland where they are today-Amergrants who must find security at most important contributions to ome. the general welfare that has been Here are some things which I made in recent years. Considerabelieve must be pushed forward by American agriculture. I ask that of the stamp plan to cover other you think of them in terms of the

four basic adverse forces-population pressure, shrunken markets, mechanization, loss of good soilthat I mentioned earlier We Manufacture-First of all, consideration should be given to continued expansion of the rehabilitation program to

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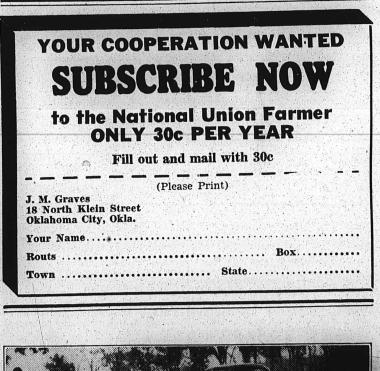
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YOUR HOLIDAY FEAST IN THE FIELD

Good eating at Christmas-time is the result of good feeding and good care of turkeys on the farm. That these turkeys taste as good as they look can be proved by several employees of Farmers Union Jobbing Association whose Thanksgiving tables were greeted by turkeys from Hugh Shoemaker of Fontana, Kansas, who writes:

"I have always fed mash to my turkeys. This year I tried KFU TURKEY PELLETS. I like them because they are less trouble, less work, and so much cleaner to feed. KFU turkey pellets are a well balanced ration and an economical feed."

Mr. Shoemaker gets his KFU TURKEY PELLETS through the Farmers Union Cooperative Union at Osawatomie, Kansas, which carries a complete line of KFU and Union Standard feeds.

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it is a foregone conclusion that a certain number of those accounts particular group we work with, this article is by Manawill have to be charged off beger Edris of Butler County, cause of non-collection. This again Ohio, Co-op.) reflects directly on the net earn-The county that I represent is ings of an association. The county that I represent is ings of an association. not on a strictly cash basis, but we are working toward that end. The paramount value of cash trading to our members is the

The association can take avail-

able discounts. This too, as previously mentioned, reflects in lowed on a strict basis rather than er prices to patrons and a larger net income.

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Finally, cash trading will take any association out of the banking business. Employees in a cooperative association are employsince going on a strictly credit ed to provide merchandise and service rather than to perform the functions of a bank. You would eliminating the undesirable credit not find a banker trying to merchandise refrigerators or hog sup-plement or any other commodi-Cash trading eliminates ine

terest charges on advances on qualities between cash and credit ties. He stays strictly within the patrons; it eliminates disputed acscope of money lending. It is hardly fair to ask employees of a cooperative association to perform a function that other men spend their entire time on, and, in addibound to have differences in records. These cause hard feelings,

tion, provide merchandise at competitive prices. Merchandise can be provided at lowest possible prices. This is possible because of cash availa-

to control it. We dare not take the personal financial problems of various sweet goods.