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## Jobbing Ass'n. Will Pay Out Half 1937 Div.

Patronage Dividend Payment This Year Follows Action At Annual Meeting

Recommendation by stockholders of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association was voted at their annual meeting in Kansas City, February 3, that half of 1937 savings of \$96,782.85 be paid out this year in patronage dividends to member associations. This huge saving resulted by farmers' co-operative elevators marketing their gra' cooperatively through the terminal Jobbing Association. The 1938 savings totaled \$118,382.52, the association bandling 2006 ciation handling 8,996 cars of grain.

"In regard to the official action of the directors after the stockholders' meeting," writes H. E. Witham, manager of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association, "will say the board passed a resolution to comply with the wishes of the stockholders by paying one-half of the 1937 profits in 1939. The other half will be paid out in

The Kansas Union Farmer of February 16 stated erroneously that "the motion was voted to recommend to the directors that the association pay one-half of 1937 patronage dividends this year, the other half in 1938, and then have established the 3-year revolving fund program." The year "1938", should have been printed "1940," but as a matter of fact this statement as well as that concerning the revolving fund was an account. the revolving fund was an assumption and not part of the original mo- as known that has adouted the printion. No official action has been taken ciple of a revolving surplus, accord-

**Build Financial Structure** 

a three-year revolving fund program.

He pictured the possibilities of cooperative development if the business
keep financial resources to enable action when opportunity knocks and
farmers feel distress. It was reported

After much discussion the motion was passed, worded "half" of 1937 patronage dividends.

"Actually we have but scratched raises an average of 150 million bushels of grain a year," said Mr. Witham in his annual report. "The amount of avings the Association could make for its members if it handled even 50 per cent of the volume of grain raised in Kansas would be almost unbeliev

Volume of business is one of the most important factors influencing the service the Jobbing Association is able to give its member organizations. Shipments to the Association depend on the inderstanding and cooperative

### WICHITA BANK MEETING

Annual Event Will Be March 17—18
—Fengel On the

The Wichita Bank for Cooperatives will have its annual stockholders stop to realize that there was only meeting in Wichita, March 17 and 18. This bank is one of the four permanent units of the Farm Credit Administration at Wichita, and extends credit to farmers' connective are market as the futures as the futures market as the futures as the future as the fu to farmers' cooperative organizations stalemate in the futures market, as in Oklahoma, Colorado, New Mexico we see it, has not been harmful to under its pretense has worked so and Kaness and Kansas.

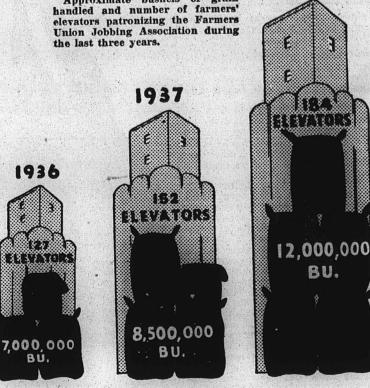
The report of 1938 business operations will show a large increase over previous years, according to Presi-dent Ralph Snyder. Total loans of quiet, that there would be no one most double the 1937 volume.

er, from the Farm Credit Administra- lightest when prices are cheapest. tion at Washington, D. C., will appear on the program. Although the primary purpose of the gathering is to report the operations of the bank to its stock-holders, a general program on co-ferings are so thin. Premiums for

## "Doesn't Work Right"

"Selling farm merchandise and credit over the same counter by co-operatives just doesn't work right." This is the conclusion of E. A. Syfethat handles farm supplies which was set up to sell credit, and that is ions which give job security and what they are doing when they sell merchandising on a credit basis. In most cases the concerative does not cover his produce and over his marketing and marketing volume of the Ohio Farm Bureau Cooperative Association for 1938 amounted to \$6,856,932, it was removed to the annual meeting at Cohemoster Cohemoster and the concernity of the annual meeting at Cohemoster C do not know of a single cooperative feels to speak his mind .

Approximate bushels of grain handled and number of farmers'



## For Whom Do We Work? . . . .

NEW REVOLVING FUND

The Grange Fire Insurance Association of the State of Washington is the only farmers' mutual so far tion. No official action has been taken in any manner in regard to the savings made in 1938.

Build Figure 1. Structure

Administration.

On December 15, 1938, this mutual J. C. Gregory, Osborne, president of the Farmers Union Jobbing Associa-\$20,800 which represented the addition, reported to the stockholders' meeting the directors' feeling in regard to patronage dividends; he said the board recommended no payment of patronage dividends until 1940, then edistributing 1937 sayings, developing distributing 1937 sayings developing distribution to the association's surplus during the year 1933. Assuming that no abnormal loss experience is encountered in the meantime, the surplus distribution of the saying the year 1933. distributing 1937 savings, developing funded in 1939, those of 1935 in 1940, attend the annual meetings of these

cooperatives, belongs to its members. There appears to be no reason why it should not prove sound and desirable, comments the publication, the surface of our possibilities for savinotwithstanding the added bookings when we consider that Kansas keeping that it imposes and the relakeeping that it imposes and the relative smallness of the individual ledger accounts. In any case the association is experiencing a substantial

> DULL GRAIN TRADE Roy Crawford Reports a New Record Low

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Reserve Bank System which through

there is another factor which deter-

uction. And again, these monopolies

Lack Funds for "Politics"

Today the farmers who are in the

peasant stage scarcely have a dime with, which to advance their politi-

cal ideas and sadly, the farmer who

still holds a fair equity, too often

feels secure in himself, standing

The most unfortunate picture is

where farmers contribute to the op-

posing forces of a fair and just re-

adjustment of this Big economic

A stunning illustration of this was exposed when Senator Hugo L

Black, now Justice of the Supreme

Court, went out into the wet ocean

to investigate Ocean Mail Contracts

Who is checking up on propagan-da fees of today which are expended

money into the coffers of the money

The Farmers Union cooperative

Remember this: Depressi

"In recent months, we have commented many times on the dullness of trade in wheat futures," writes Roy Crawford, head grain salesman loyalty of directors and managers of of the Farmers Union Jobbing assolocal farmers' cooperative elevators, ciation in the latter's weekly market letter of February 24, "but the past two days have exceeded anything we have seen in this respect this year or any other. Frankly, it didn't look as though there was over 100,000 bushels total trade in the pit, this morning in the first two or three hours.

"Reflect for a moment, when you the trade in cash wheat because of light receipts. well for its promoters (not the farmer) that now after six years we are

light receipts.
"However, if conditions do not still within hollering distance of the John Fengel, president of the Kansas Farmers Union, will be a speaker

light receipts.

"However, if conditions do not still within not change prior to a new harvest, it starting place.

change prior to a new harvest, it remight have a marked effect, in recent years we have heard the fear voiced during the spring months, \$4,625,000 last year set a record for totake the hedges when the new crop five years of operations and were alstarted to move. Such fears were alstarted to move. Such fears were alstarted to move. ways more or less groundless and we S. D. Sanders, cooperative bank commissioner, and J. D. Lawrence, deputy cooperative bank commission-

"Our cash market has been satisfactory, generally speaking. Demand operative marketing and purchasing is planned.

The week are unchanged to ½ cent to investigate Ocean Mail Contracts higher on hard wheat while soft wheat differentials are ½ cent up tion (2) soliciting a propaganda fee and, in a few cases, probably 1 cent tion (?) soliciting a propaganda fee of \$100,000.

> Labor Union and Farmers "One fact which seems to have escaped the notice of some coopera-

for the pure purpose of retaining private money control and crop control? stad as a result of many years' experience as general manager of the Farmers Union Central Exchange labor unions do more than raise monopoly; prosperity means an income and a respectable standard of living for Agriculture and Labor. where he comes into intimate contact with the credit problems of local affiliated farmers' cooperatives. "I give the worker security so that he Which are we farmers working for? give the worker security so that he

most cases the cooperative does not make a thorough analysis to determine whether the patron is a good credit risk and it takes losses which never should have been taken. It is the function of credit agencies as some imply in the existing order. is the function of credit agencies such as banks, loan companies, financing institutions, credit unions, and units of the Farm Credit Admin-"units of the Farm Credit Administration to advance credit. These organizations were designed to sell credit and are better equipped to system."

## Coffman Gives 1938 Report of Kansas **New Legislation**

Is Legislative Representative of Farm Organizations at Topeka

Clyde Coffman, legislative representative of the Committee of Kansas Farm Organizations, writes the following report of state legislative matters particu-larly of interest to the Kansas farmer. The report was written February 25. Mr. Coffman has his headquarters in Hotel Jay-hawk, Room 500, Topeka. Readers may well write their legislators on matters in which

they are especially interested. After seven weeks of the 1939 sestory of the State.

Ray a Riley County F. U. Member

Farm Chemistry? Some of our high explosives are made from nitric acid and glycerin; glycerine is made from the hoofs of livestock and Federal

ent statutes and to appropriations of the standards as children equal to the standards as is now established on a level with tancy to pass some of the bills that tance the bil

which ever makes a pretension of keeping up with that of the above "United States department of Farm Cattle Rustling livestock men against a very pre-valent menace of cattle rustling, the Mortgaging System," namely the Farm Credit (Mortgage) Administra-Farm Organization and particularly the State Livestock Association, have sponsored a bill providing for state registration of brands. Under this bill we did not follow the law of Tons of high powered propaganda literature go out annually to the ov-erwhelmed farmers urging them to range states of providing for compulsory branding, but it does provide that where branding is practiced, the brands shall be recorded with the State Livestock Sanitary Commission. Other bills are in process of

favor of immediate payment of patton to the fact that the surplus of a of N. F. L. associations and dine are that there will be no bill passed decrease of the urban has not been to the tune of sweet music and taking away the exemption privilege decrease of the urban has not been taking away the exemption privilege decrease of the urban has not been taking away the exemption privilege taking away the exemption privilege to the urban has not been to the tune of sweet music and taking away the exemption privilege taking away the exemption privilege to the urban has not been to the tune of the urban has not been taking away the exemption privilege to the urban has not been taking away the exemption privilege to the urban has not been taking away the exemption privilege to the urban has not been taking away the exemption privilege to the urban has not been taking away the exemption privilege to the urban has not been taking away the exemption privilege to the urban has not been taking away the exemption privilege to the urban has not been taking away the exemption privilege to the urban has not been taking away the exemption privilege to the urban has not been taking away the exemption privilege to the urban has not been taking away the exemption privilege to the urban has not been taking away the exemption privilege to the urban has not been taking away the exemption privilege to the urban has not been taking away the exemption privilege to the urban has not been taking away the exemption privilege to the urban has not been taking away the exemption privilege to the urban has not been taking away the exemption to the urban has not been taking away the exemption to the urban has not been taking away the exemption to the urban has not been taking away the exemption to the urban has not been taking away the exemption to the urban has not been taking away the exemption to the urban has not been taking away the exemption to the urban has not been taking away the exemption to the urban has not been taking away the exempt soothing talks, all to serve as a now granted to farmers on tractor so marked.

Scortson Wheeler of Montage has danger of being reduced to the

This means that the masses are being cleverly regimented into conregulations made by different comunder adverse conditions; and wealth missions and department heads shall 3,519. have the endorsement of the legislapass directly over their heads and ture before they become permanent measures. It is hoped that trouble- a loss in farm population of 4,934 or but from time to time." into the coffers of the money trust. Senator Wheeler and at least 17 testing of labor and the farming past.

To Insurance Committee A number of bills of special inter-

We have in the past written into law political ideas of a privately operated money system which carest to the farm mutual insurance companies have been introduced and are now in the hands of the insurits private manipulations dominates the prices of everything between the armers' fence lines.

Besides prices, as defined above, here is another factor which deter-Senate Bill No. 154 providing for (Continued on Page 3, Column 4) mines a farm income, namely, prod-

## For Equality By J. P. Fengel

practically every state in the nation, practically every state in the nation, and as usual, they are trying to sew a lot of patches on our political pantaloons in an effort to keep us from buying a new pair, or advocating a new and constructive program that would replace our old and outmoded system, that would really remedy a lot of the injustices in our state and National Governments by State and National Governments by correcting some of the injustices as they affect the great majority of our citizens, whether they be farmers or laborers in industry.

sion of the Kansas Legislature, there is probably less major legislation of the things we have done in the passed, in both branches of the leg- past, not by sewing on another patch islature, and bills signed by the Gov-ernor, than at any, time in the his-ernor, than at any, time in the his-Up to date there have been few of government and begin to place bills passed of general importance to the state and those that have passed relate almost entirely to slight corrections, and changes in the present statutes and to appropriations

their situation and condition in life, so humanity has turned its face westward, crossing the ocean and settling along our eastern frontiers. Cheyenne, Rawlins, Decatur, Cost of production for that part of their crops used in the United States. The "domestic price means \$1.25 a bushel in the case of wheat of standard their crops used in the United States." For the purpose of protecting the settling along our eastern frontiers and as the eastern portions of the and as the eastern portions of the country became overpopulated the younger folks and some others in middle life with their families moved steadily westward, with this process repeating itself, until we have consequently the west and there are no each secretary of a local will credit

quered the west and there are no each secretary of a local will credit more new frontiers and with the closing of the last frontier we have used exclusively for the benefit of also developed machinery until what junior members used to be considered a family-sized Each shipmer farm will not support a family, with the result that our country popula-

In Cloud county for the same per-

county some regulations that take the effect 40 per cent with an increase in other senators know that as political of law will not be so flagrantly urban population of 5,996 for the deas are written into law, so is the testing of labor and the farming population of 3.857.

Is it more than fair to presume the picture as indicated from these ance committee of the Senate and counties represents the average de House. Most important of these is crease in farm population and the crease in farm population and the corresponding increase in urban pop-Since we can all agree to the state-(Continued on Page 3, Column 5)

No matter where one happens to

Before we are going to be able make any sort of improvement, either as a state or a nation, we are to return to our original policies

the hoofs of livestock and Federal Farm mortgage bonds, quoted this week at \$107.29, are made from painful local farm mortgages.

Of all the legislation enacted into law to "help" the farmer by farm chemurgy, and establish departments for converting farm products into channels of demand, there is none which ever makes a pretension of cattle Rustling.

Of general interest to the state at large.

As our first consideration let us take it for granted that people do now and always have migrated from one country to another or from one section of the country to another or from one section of the country to another or from one section of the country to another or from one section of the country to another or from one section of the country to another or from one section of the country to another or from one section of the country to another or from one section of the country to another or from one section of the country to another or from one section of the country to another or from one section of the country to another or from one section of the country to another or from one section of the country to another or from one section of the country to another or from one section of the country to another or from one section of the country to another or from one section of the country to another or from one section of the organization's directors, February 1. This live stock company take it for granted that people do now and always have migrated from one country to another or from one section of the organization's directors, February 1. This live stock company to another or from one or from one section of the country to another or from one section of the country to another or from one or from

Senator Wheeler of Montana has on the calendar providing for doing correctly stated our present state of condition, namely: "the farmer is in larger of being reduced to the calendar providing for doing away with some of the troublesome away with some of the troublesome red tape in connection with the expectation of the calendar providing for doing agency unless all members, both ing agency unless all members, both ing agency unless all members, both ing agency unless all members, both away with some of the troublesome red tape in connection with the expectation of the decrease in farm population away with some of the troublesome red tape in connection with the expectation of the decrease in farm population away with some of the troublesome red tape in connection with the expectation of the decrease in farm population away with some of the troublesome red tape in connection with the expectation of the decrease in farm population away with some of the troublesome red tape in connection with the expectation of the decrease in farm population away with some of the troublesome red tape in connection with the expectation of the decrease in farm population away with some of the troublesome red tape in connection with the expectation of the decrease in farm population away with some of the troublesome red tape in connection with the expectation of the decrease in farm population away with some of the troublesome red tape in connection with the expectation of the decrease in farm population away with some of the decrease in the urban population and senior, induce enough the decrease in the urban population and senior and emption provision. These will be re- of 3,628. The decrease in farm popu- Union Live Stock Commission, Inc., lation in Republic county for the to increase the volume of our busi-House Bill No. 11 has passed that body, providing that all rules and per cent of farm families, while the of patronage dividends that we can urban population has increased by return to our members.

> The population trend in Clayfor the same period the farm popula-tion has declined 5,956 or 44 per cent with an increase in the urban

The special Legislative Fund has now reached a total of \$130.20. The Kansas Farmers Union is building be he can hear peopde discussing the the fund by contributions from Loweather and occasionally a few will cals, business associations and indiindulge in some gossip, but the political situation is right at this time being discussed pro and con by practically all of our citizens.

| Cals, Dusiness associations and finding indules in some gossip, but the politicals. The last number of the Kansas Union Farmer reported contributions totaling \$79.60. Receipts since time are as follows: Reported last issue ...... \$79.60

The Legislatures are in session in

keep financial resources to enable action when opportunity knocks and farmers feel distress. It was reported at the annual meeting that the Jobbing Association is now operating without borrowed funds, a remarkable achie nent considering the tremendous volume of business and the association's short time handling grain.

Strong feeling was evidenced in favor of immediate payment of pattern of parts of immediate payment of pattern of parts of immediate payment of pattern of the fact that the surplus of a tremers' mutual, like that of other of the commodity of the result that our country population in process of the result that our country population in process of operation should exceed the facting Octopus as been hung onto us, the result that our country process of the part our process of operation should exceed the facting for investigation of cattle stealing cases and making of the result that our country process of the result that our country process of the process of operations, and entern process of operation should exceed the fact that the surplement of pattern providing for investigation of cattle stealing cases and making of the result that our country process of operations haddeding in process of operations and making of the result that our country process of operations and making of the result that our country process of the state Livestock Sanitary Commission. Other bills are in process of operations and making of cattle stealing cases and making of the result that our rountries.

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secretaries of Farmers Union Locals. The paying of this contribution will be an extra expense to our market-

"As this is an entirely new deal population trend in Clay we will be very glad to hear what for the same period shows you think about it, not only now

# Burials Are a Legal Matter

or conduct a first class funeral, there may come a time when he may have tity of such commodity determined dead men on hand and not know what on the basis of past production, tillto do with them!

John Boswell, a farmer near Green agricultural adjustment and conserand who formerly was manager of the Green elevator, accompanied him. population, located ten miles north- may be decreased after giving the east of Clay Center. Farming does farmer notice and an opportunity to not interfere with his embalming be heard, when such increase or debusiness; health is generally at least up to normal in Clay county, and Mr. Shadle has not gotten all the funeral business anyhow. Competi-

has right under a state board of ble domestic marketing percentage funeral directors to a title as an assistant funeral conductor; a first class succeeding marketing year.

conductor is necessary under law to conduct a Kansas funeral. And Mr. 1940, the Secretary shall determine posed of six funeral men. Mr. Shadle feels his failure was due chiefly to causes other than his intelligence. Insistence has come that he send for a higher qualified man to conduct any funeral Mr. Shadle may have secured, and after Mr. Shadle has exercised his minor talents as an embalmer.

Recognition is given by Mr. Shadle to wide margins of profit in the business of funeral equipment, notably caskets. It is his recommendation that the state Farmers Union organ-

cooperative to a point that caskets Burial cooperatives have been de-

of the Farmers Elevator here since proceeds of the commodity for which 1928, left March 1 for Beattie where the allotment is made: Provided, that he is now manager of the Farmers if the total allotment for both com- Union elevator. (Continued on Page 4, Column 2)

## Okla. Senator Introduces a New Farm Bill

Believed to Embody Program Outlined at Madison Nat'l F. U. Convention

Senator Josh Lee, Oklahoma, has introduced farm bill, S. 1405, into the 20 United States Congress. In his bill 2.00 Senator Lee has sought to embody, 5.00 at least for wheat and cotton, the program adopted by the Farmers Union at its national convention at

2.40 Union at its national
5.50 Madison, Wis.
2.70 "The bill is applicable only to
wheat and cotton," explained Senwheat and cotton, February 16. Total to date: ......\$130.20 for that part of their production which is consumed within the Unit-

ed States.
Wheat and Cotton Only "Farmers may regulate their own production and produce what they like for disposal in the world market prices. The bill is not made applicable to the 1939 crops of wheat and cotton, but begins its operation with the beginning of the marketing year. The Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Company, Denver, Colo., will pay "5 per cent of the commission collected from shipments active-

the beginning of the marketing year for the 1940 crops."

Especially significant and deserve ng of careful study are those portions of the bill designed to protect the interest of the family-sized farm, it is said. No previous measure has provided such protection for the family-sized units.

Wheat at \$1.25

The announcement is of particular interest in Kansas to Farmers Union members in the northwestern councilled the purpose being to give farmers

Copies Are Available

After weeks of preparation, Senator Lee of Oklahoma has introduced his farm bill, S. 1405, in which he has sought to embody the program adopted by the Farmers Union at its Madison National Convention. Additional copies of the bill may be secured by writing to Senator Josh Lee, Senate Office building, Washing-

eting year for consumption in the United States."

World market price "means that price which the Commodity Credit Corporation estimates it can obtain for such wheat or cotton upon disposing of it for purposes other than consumption in the United States, less a reasonable charge, to be fixed by the Corporation, to cover the estimated expense which will be incurred by the Corporation in disposing of such commodity for such

"The Secretary, through the local committee," reads the bill, "Shall establish as soon as practicable in 1939 a production base for wheat for each farm on which wheat has been produced in 1937, 1938, or 1939, and a production base for cotton . . . and shall, upon application, establish He can embalm bodies preparatory such bases for any other farm. The for burial, but without license to bury production base for each such commodity for any farm shall be a quanable acreage, productivity of the soil, This is the curious situation of crop rotation practices, availability Charles B. Shadle, Green, who has of labor and equipment, and sound been an embalmer for the last 30 principles of farm management, with years, as well as a farmer. Mr. Shadle adjustments for abnormal weather was a visitor February 24 at the Farmers Union headquarters in Salina. vation programs.
"Any such production base may

Green is a community of about 300 be increased upon application, or

tion comes from neighboring towns and from funeral establishments famed for giving more "services," claim in each year, not later than and with equipment that "rolls betnot later than November 15 in the But real difficulties come to Mr. case of cotton, the probable nation-Shadle more from a legal angle. He al domestic allotment and the proba-

Shadle failed to pass an examination and proclaim in each year, not latto qualify him to this classification, er than May 15 in the case of wheat, given by this same state board com- and not later than June 15 in the posed of six funeral men. Mr. Shadle case of cotton, the national domestic

that the state Farmers Union organ- the domestic marketing percentage ize a funeral equipment cooperative for such commodity for such market-to enable farmers to secure caskets ing year: Provided, that such allot-at a much reduced cost. He believes ment shall not exceed the actual or it would be possible to develop such a cooperative to a point that caskets greater, of the acreage on the farm could be displayed, and available for mmediate use, in each Kansas county. "(d) Any domestic allotment for

veloped in other states. The Farmers wheat or cotton for any farm shall union in Arkansas has made outstanding progress in this direction of service.

tenants, and sharecroppers of such farm, in the same proportion that such landowners, tenants, and share-Herington-Roy Vernon, manager croppers are entitled to share in the

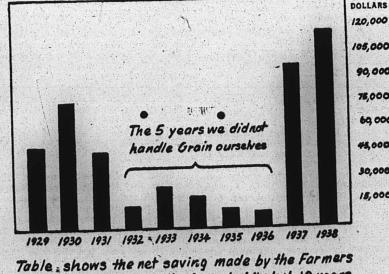


Table shows the net saving made by the Farmers Union Jobbing Association in each of the last 10 years.

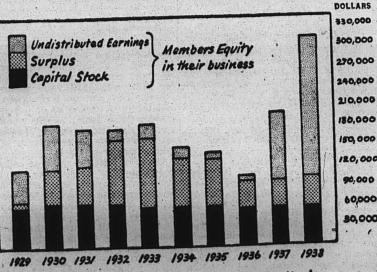


Table shows the total value of the members equity in the Formers Union Jobbing Association and the part of their equity, which is Capital Stock, Surplus, and Undistributed | Earnings.

## The Kansas Union Farmer

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#### SALINA, KANSAS, THURSDAY, MARCH 2, 1939

(if in the hands of a receiver), or to S. 1405—Domestic Allotment Senator Josh Lee of Oklahoma, members of an association acting of manufacture. S. 1405, into the national Congress, on the part of directors which perwas a principal epoker at the conwas a principal speaker at the con- mits other directors to defraud the vention in November of the National association will render them all lia-Farmers Union at Madison, Wis. The "Inattention on the part of a direcnew bill is reported as being an answer to the legislative program of tor may render him liable to his this Farmers Union convention. Such association, at least in those instances being the case, proponents of the in which attention to duty would bill may reasonably expect study of the bill by all practicing farmers, and Farmers Union members particularly.

Emphasis of the bill is for an American price to be paid farmers for wheat consumed in America, rather than the world price as has long been the practice. Naturally this since my last report. The weather tries, and price will be one of cost-of-produc- has more or less changed my plans. tion. An important feature is that stabilization of farmer income is strengthened by allowing a farmer for his individual allotment "the amount by which the domestic price of an equal quantity of the commodity exceeds the world price there-

The family-sized farm and living standards are given special consideration by reducing allotments of bigger farms by higher percentages. Surplus wheat would tend to be

Important, too, is the bill's recognicultural recovery is a big and slow process by artificial means, and the affecting only wheat and cotton, with entrance open growers of other agricultural commodities at their opculture at once and in its entirety. tion. The bill would not apply to 1939 crops of wheat and cotton, but

annual meeting, the Junior delega-tion was at the William R. Nelson Marvelling at the grandiose rooms

Frankness with Cooperation A five-point program for coopera-tive editors is given by G. H. Ander-son, director of public relations of the Washington Cooperative Egg and Poultry Association, Seattle, Wash.: "The house organ should be made attractive; it should be published for what it's got, Congress will hold its ler, conductor. members, and not at them; it should be entertaining as well as educational; it should be broad enough to stresses regional representation. Pete visitors present. The lunch commit-have a family appeal; and it should Skovgard would write it regional) te those stresses regional representation. be designed so as to appeal to those showgard would write it regi(onal) who are naturally good cooperators, those who are more indifferent, those who are more indifferent, those who had a saily incoulted with the same assily incoulted with the same as a same a who become easily inoculated with fear through false reports, and also to the general public, which will gain its impression of the cooperaRep. Smith, of Ill., a University of tive largely through the publication

it sponsors."
"Absolute frankness should be the watchword of the cooperative press," according to Mr. Anderson.

Legal Responsibility of Directors
Directors have a legal responsibility and under certain circumstances may be held individually liable for acts of officers, employees, or di-rectors which cause loss to the as-

## Neighborhood Notes

McPherson County Meeting The regular meeting of the Mcherson county Farmers Union will e held Monday evening, March 6, t 7.30 p. m. This meeting will be at North Union school house which is located 5 miles north and 5 miles east of McPherson. A very interesting program has been planned. Let each local in the county send its

full quota of delegates and visitors. David Train, Co. Pres. Reuben Peterson,, Secy

Resolution From Locals No. 656 and 671 Whereas, industry in the United States has always been protected by high tariff and transportation across

Whereas, the farmer is compelled

enable many farmers to pay taxes, to continue to operate and hold the farms their fathers won from the Pivonka and Chas. Pivonka were els of wheat or corn are needed for wilderness

quette, Kansas, that we request all won. nembers of Congress from Kansas to work for and vote for:

used for domestic consumption, based are: Negative, Joe Vondracek; Affiron a fair allotment of bushels to each mative, F. J. Pechanec. farm by the secretary of Agrisulture. Refreshments of Second, legislation that will encoffee were served. ourage the use of surplus and waste farm products in the manufacture of motor fuels and other useful articles

> C. E. Hanson, For the Committee on Resolutions.

In Marion County Resolution received from

Whereas: the absence of buying ower in the hands of our American armers must finally result in the collapse of industry and finally in Democracy in Government, unless an equality in purchasing power is provided our millions of farmers

Farmers Union Local No. 404, Lin-

Although I have been busy every Whereas, the family sized farm However, I have attended a meet- has been the foundation upon which ing of the Committee of Farm Or- this great Nation has developed, and ganizations in Topeka, where we Industry and Commerce has buildmade arrangements for the sponsor-ing of Socialized Hospitalization and the expense of Agriculture and La-Medication and placed ourselves on bor, because average costs in the record very definitely for certain production of the products of the bills in the State Legislature that are farm have never been a factor in in line with our program and very price determination for domestic use definitey opposed others that were and consumption and without re-

F. J. Hajek, Pres. Otto Krotz, Sec'y

John A. Myers.

Call County Meeting

The Ottawa County Farmers Union

In Rooks County
Stone Local No. 792 held its regu-

gard for the prices farmers pay in detrimental to our farmers. I find Industry is represented in the American market for every thing Topeka by a small multitude of high he must buy; 'pressure and talented representatives, Therefor be it resolved by Lincolnit Corporation is restricted as to its pressure and talented representatives, handsomely for their services, while Farmers Union that we respectfully Important, too, is the bill's recognition that farm legislation and agrillour only appeal is right and reason. Petition our Kansas Senators and However I think we are doing a Congressmen, as a matter of justice

TRAVELOGUE

of the Kansas State Grange and together we arranged for a program
for the Cooperative Conference to
be held in Manhattan, Kansas, April

I also went from Topeka to Law-rence and had a visit with Carl Gerstenberger and found my visit Be it further resolved that a copy would begin with the marketing of with him very enjoyable and I hope of this resolution be addressed to profitable. Then I visited at Saint each of our Kansas delegates in Marys with our Farmers Union folks Congress, a copy be spread upon the In Kansas City at the time of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association annual meeting, the Junior deleganess and a specific to the week in an effort to help out with their membership and Farmer for publication.

Marys with our Farmers Union to the minutes of our local, and also one first of the week in an effort to help out with their membership and Farmer for publication. business institutions. Was also at Art Gallery on its tour of the city. Manhattan and found our folks in splendid spirits and their business

and marble hallways one young man doing very nicely.

Am anxious to have any of you call on me when ever you see where tures in," he said.

I could be of any benefit or sercall on me when ever you see where I could be of any benefit or service to you with your membership or the building of your Co-operatives.

I could be of any benefit of services first meeting, since November on account of the epidemic of smallpox in and around Minneapolis. -J. P. Fengel.

THE CLOAK ROOM

By W. P. Lambertson As long as the Caribbean Sea holds

slums; that's the other side of cher-

Rep. Smith, of Ill., a University of Chicago professor and broadcaster, is freckled-faced and red-headed and

wears brown from his shoes to his will hold its regular meeting in the

men folks.

The president then asked several interesting questions on important events that occurred this month; he also asked how many really knew what the Farmers Union stood for; and I think it would be a good plan for the most of us to look that question up so we could answer it at question up so we could answer it at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned to meet March

14 at the John Suitor home in Zurich. Oyster soup, chili soup, fruit sal-ad, cake and coffee will be served at noon. Everyone be sure and

to render on the program.

We are expecting music by our Mr. and Mrs. Lee McClellan, William Pywell and Curstin Thomas. All members be sure and attend as this

will be our last all-day meeting for

this season. County Secretary.

day evening, February 15. During cern wheat actually held on the farm the business meeting it was voted to send 10c for each member to Surpluses of automobiles, tractors, to pay the price of transportation fixed by the government, the price of everything he must buy fixed by industry and indirectly by labor organs.

To send 10c for each member to Surpluses of automobiles, tractors, and machinery do not seem to affect the prices. That there are surpluses of dustry and indirectly by labor organs. dustry and indirectly by labor organizations;
Whereas, the farmer in selling his wheat on the home market has always been compelled to accept a price based on the world market price, less the cost of handling and transportation to the foreign market without any also stated that we have the largest a surplus that drove down the price tion to the foreign market without any protection whatsoever;

Whereas, the help given the farmer by the AAA has not been sufficient to enable many farmers to pay taxes, to the many farmers to pay taxes, to the cost of a surplus that drove down the price of \$644 autos to \$320? Then why does the Agricultural department and said that North Dakota has keep shouting "Surplus!" that divides built up the largest cooperative business in the U. S.

they reseive the cost of production and a fair profit for their produce;

BE IT RESOLVED by Locals Number of the affirmative were Chas. Pivonka, if we are going to have a cost of the affirmative were Chas. Pivonka, production price on farm stuff, why ber 656 and Number 671 of the Farm-ber Educational and Cooperative Union of America and The Cooperative Orny and Ludmila Pivonka. Judges Farmers Union Elevator Company as- were Frank Pivonka, Bill Pechanec sembled in a joint meeting at Mar- and Helen Oborny. The negative side

The meeting then adjourned to o work for and vote for:

First, legislation that will guaran
9. The question for debate will be ee to the family sized farmer a fair "Resolved that the competitive sys- Senator Lynn Frazier, cost of production and a fair profit tem of merchandising is preferable Senate Office Bldg., on that part of his wheat which is to the cooperative system." Leaders Washington, D. C. Refreshments of sandwiches and

Mrs. F. J. Kraisinger Secretary.

In Sumner County

John Beal was elected to the board at the stockholders' annual meeting February 14. Roy Somers, John Leddy and Ben Rice were re-elected, and the holdovers are Vance Clark, Ed

Small and Harry Sheltar. ing Ben Rice was re-elected presi-lent; Roy Somers, vice president; and Ed Small, secretary.

ville Local No. 404 of the Kansas

port of the last meeting by the in the Cow and Hen Journal. A divi-

#### Our Members' Views

Government Program But a Sur Plus Supply Brings Low Prices -Why?

We have a government loan on wheat that nets the farmer about 57 cents a bushel. Does it act as a maxmum price? What else has it done so far? If Wallace had agreed to lend the

high tariff and transportation across the ocean, thereby guaranteeing to it the cost of production and a profit on goods produced and sold in this on goods produced and sold in this call 995 of Timken, Kansas, was held at the Timken hall Wednes-

Whereas, most of the farmers who ave survived so far, have exhausted then given: then given:

Music, Adolph Mattal; Saxophone
their credit and most of their capital
and cannot possibly continue unless
they reserve the cost of production

they reserve the cost of production

> production price on farm stuff, why the "ifs" and "ands"? Even the apes shouted, Surplus will rule the price.
> C. O. Thomas, Rooks County.

> > Hays, Kan.

Dear Friend Frazier: We have studied your Farm Bill carefully, as it appears in the news, and I think it the best so far written.

Could you send me a copy?

We should get away from all complications and unnecessary help. And shun the sticky fingered domineering got \$3.00. of directors of the Farmers Union Co-op Association of Conway Springs producer of raw materials under the producer of raw materials under the pretext of helping Agriculture. The Farm Bureau "Parity of 1909 Peti-

In Washington County

The Farmers Coop. Association, Hanover, has contracted with Fairbanks Morse for a modern 15-ton truck scale with a self-registering dial. This dial will show the weight of the load to the customer as well as the manager as soon as it comes to a stor.

In Washington County

In Some instances. France and Germany inflated their prices so one many inflated their prices so one was it comes to a stor. This dial will show the weight of the load to the customer as well as the manager as soon as it comes to a stor.

In Washington County

In Some instances. France and Germany inflated their prices so one was one and Navy aeroplane contract was let secretly, conclusively and in violation of the law that about 25 per cent of that can inflate and deflate "at the will of 12 men" appointed by one man in the U. S. A. Our \$100 cow went to line the Contract price went into the will of 12 men" appointed by one man in the U. S. A. Our \$100 cow went to line the contract was let secretly, conclusively and in violation of the law that about 25 per cent of that can inflate and deflate "at the will of 12 men" appointed by one man in the U. S. A. Our \$100 cow went to line the contract was let secretly.

# "Back on the lob again-I thought wo'd get a few days rest" You forget about the telephone. Easy for the boss to get that plowshare out here this morning"

LES. NELLIE, a telephone call has saved your owner a trip to town today. The telephone, you know, is one of the most useful implements on the farm. It's as important in its own way as the plow or harrow you pull in the field. And there comes a time - in emergencies when its importance is head and shoulders above anything else on the farm. Yes, sir, farmers need good telephone service.

BEL'L TELEPHONE SYSTEM

illegitimate child called "surplus," the Ishmael of the American farmer?

Our battleship building warlords and care for them, then the tax louse boast of the three great democracies, and interest suckers take your milk two of them owe us millions, yes bil- and cream.

to \$2.50, and their pigs jumped into ing secretly with France for our late

no shifting of weights, not even any weight beam, according to H. H. Neumann, manager, in the Cow and Hen Journal.

One bushel at \$3.00.

Did Hoover appoint the head of the International Harvester Company to handle the Farm Board and with the taxpayers \$500,000,000 buy and hold in the U. S. A. our surplus wheat, tion was held February 9. A. H. Hein was re-elected as secretary, and C. E.

The second annual meeting of the Washington Coop. Elevator Association was held February 9. A. H. Hein was re-elected as secretary, and C. E.

To \$2.50, and their pigs jumped into the river.

Our factories were closed, banks busted and millions of people pauperized. Is it any wonder Peggie Ann's papa says we've been sold down the letting Russia sell hers and pay the International Harvester Company, and Unternational Harvester Company to handle the Farm Board and with the handle the was re-elected as secretary, and C. E. Wilson, a director. The association shows a good profit for the year, according to Francis Gripp, manager, his pauperized people with a 44 bil-

> A nice inheritance for our pigskin tax louse, interest sucker and Jew hoff, long the manager at the St. monopolized industry Francis Equity Exchange. monopolized industry

Yes, the terrible Bolshevite would take all of our cows, the socialists Industry got our 25c wheat and the only takes half of them; while our consumer paid the same as when we grand old Democracy lets you keep all of your dear old cows, milk, feed

tions" gotten up by a bunch of taxhe holdovers are Vance Clark, Ed
mall and Harry Sheltar.

At the directors' meeting that evenng Ben Rice was re-elected presing Ben Rice was re-elected presing Ben Rice was re-elected presisell their highlight for a boul of resell their highlight for a boul of remerce: divide their land and formmerce: divide their land and formthem to pay tribute for their raw did they how when FDR insisted on materials to a bunch of foxhunters cleaning their dirty linen? In the Our expenses and taxes have increased two to four times since 1909 in some instances. France and Ger-

for a debt contracted on a basis of one bushed at \$3.00.

\$10; our \$3 wheat to 25¢; our \$19 hog is after the committee which is dealing secretly with France for our later than \$2.50, and their pigs jumped into

James Dean is a new employee in money back so FDR can Santa Claus the office of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association, Kansas City. While lion debt, non taxable interest bearing still in high school, Mr. Dean worked in the Beloit Farmers Union store; 1938 AAA. All sections of the present act not conflicting with the amendant are to be maintained. Also the bill does not attempt to remake Agriculture at once and in its entired. later the elevator. He managed an

#### Are On Wrong Basis . . . . to Agricultude and the Nation at With all industry running smoothly, me how you can add anything to the

buy all wealth produced, and we need not curb production till all had

bought enough to become wealthy. But should some group say, "These industries are ours. We will operate for a profit. We will still pay 100 billion dollars for producing this wealth. We will sell it for 125 billions." Result? The people could buy just four-fifths. One-fifth must necessarily be stored or sold abroad. Just why we are unable to sell abroad, I will show later. Storing one-fifth of each Spring Hill Local No. 1570 met Friyear's production soon fills the wareday evening, February 24, being the can then buy less flour, meat, fruit, butter, eggs, etc. These products glut The new officers elected were C.

J. Allison, president; Myrll Smith, vice president; Mrs. John Myers, sec-The farmers' income also falls. They can then buy less farming equipment, retary-treasurer; Mrs. Rose Larsen, less paint and building materials, less corresponding secretary; Louis Mil-Owing to the stormy night we had a good attendance, with several stresses regional representation. Pete stresses regional representation. Pete stresses regional would write it regi(onal) tee served ovster and chili soup and the stormy night we greatly increasing the number of the unemployed, and depression is here with all its hell, just because those sluggishly through into warshouses. coffee which were surely enjoyed by all. Our next meeting will be the third Friday night in March, the they did not produce but which others did produce. There is the one and stroyed itself. Do you doubt it? Cononly cause of our depression—the sider recent history. break-down of our "production for

profit" system.

rectors which cause loss to the association, writes A. W. McKay, principal agricultural economist, Farm Credit Administration, in News for France.

The law requires that directors exercise "that degree of care in directing and supervising the affairs of the association that ordinarily prudent and diligent men would exercise under similar circumstances. that is, reasonable care; and a failure to exercise this degree of care or to be honest and diligent in attending to the affairs of his association may render directors law, to the association, to receiver law, in the composition of the composition of the may form the composition of the composition of the composition of the may form the composition of the composi

Since we have muddled through depressions in the past, the question arises, Why can we not end this depression under our present system of production? Easily answered. We began development of this country along the eastern border, 13 colonies. Moving westward, new industries sprang up. Whenever depression overtook the country, always in the past, was there room for new development, through which the wealth set aside by profit, was consumed by the workers, through their wages, as they covered a million square miles with new factories, giant skyscrapers, houses, then factories close, millions and railroads, for the profit takers to are thrown out of employment. They own. This expanding development

Today we are not building a hundred new cities, we are not laying thousands of miles of steel track, we are not establishing a million new farmsteads. Most of such construcof the necessities and conveniences tion work has ceased. Builders and for the home. More factories close, those who made building materials who control industry have exacted a 25 per cent profit on wealth which Result? A depression in which the 'production for profit" system has de-

Regardless of party, the last several People cannot buy goods that sell for 125 billion dollars, with 100 billion dollars of purchasing power, just live goods that sell with a purchasing power, just live goods that sell order to bolster up public purchasing shirt and tie.

Clarence Cannon of Mo.: On a narrow pavement in Tenn. I was compelled to follow the funeral train so long that when we reached the church I was ashamed not to go in.

The West coast members were strong for Guam. These jitterbugs would really like to make our front line of defense six miles east of line of defense line of line of purchasing as they cannot buy goods that sell loo of purchasing loo of purchasing as they cannot buy

# **Market Your Grain** Cooperatively All Through the Year!

Make each truckload of grain you haul to a local elevator and each carload of grain shipped from that elevator count for cooperatives. To maintain and strengthen your present position as successful marketers of your own grain will take a continuation of the patronage which made that success possible.

Aside from spreading the good which results from cooperative enterprise, the aim of your terminal cooperative marketing organization is to secure for you on the terminal markets the best possible price for your grain, and to perform this service expertly and economically.

That your own farmer-owned and farmer controlled organization can do this has been proved by its successful operations in 1937 and 1938. Let us work together in 1939 to increase the percentage of Kansas grain handled cooperativelyat both the local and terminal points. This can

## If You Make EVERY Day COOPERATIVE DAY

Farmers Union Jobbing Ass'n.

## Junior and Juvenile Department

Juniors from 16 to 21

Juveniles from 6 to 16

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

#### LET ME BEWARE

God-let me beware. Let me not stumble blindly down the ways, Just getting somehow safely through the days, Not even wondering why it all was planned, Eyes to the ground, unseeking for the light, Soul never aching for a wild-winged flight, Please, keep me eager just to do my share—God—let me beware.

God—let me beware. Stab my soul fiercely with others' pain. Let me walk seeing horror and stain. Let my hands, groping, find other hands, Give me the heart that divines, understands.

#### YOUR LEADER'S MESSAGE

#### By Esther Ekblad

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES Weights and measures may be ranked among the necessities of life to every human individual and society. They enter into the economical arrangements and daily concerns of every family. They are necessary to every occupation of human industry, to the distribution and security of every species of property... to all the exchanges of peace and all the operations of war. The knowledge of them as an established use is among the first elements of education and is often learned by those who learn nothing else. This knowledge is etched into the memory by the habitual aplication of it in the employments of men throughout life."—John Quincy Adams.

How important the two words "weights and measures" are to the farmer who brings his produce to town, and to the housewife who buys the family needs over the counter! Many battles have been fought out in the communities and in legislative halls over the evil of shortweighing. Looking into history we would find that many cooperatives had as a primary purpose, the guarantee of fair weights and measures.

Fair "weights and measures" are vital to the well-being of society in all phases of life, and a look about us very plainly shows that short weighing has not been an uncommon practice. A strong intelligent young man whose body is blown to bits in a war certainly has been short weighed; an economic system that permits the minds and bodies of men, women and children to become warped because they cannot afford the necessities of life, certainly

isn't giving full measure. As young people today, much of our time is going to be involved in seeking full "weights and measures." The path will not always be smooth and we will need to know many rules and formulas. Much of that needed knowledge we will obtain only through schools of our own making-in our case, Junior classes. We are not organizing Junior classes within our Farmers Union Locals because we think there is a need for more organizations to take up leisure time, but because we need a place where we can get together and freely discuss the problems which are today "short weighing" so many people throughout the world. May we learn to work together to the end that a "full measure" for all will loom as a goal toward which we strive.

"full measure" for all will loom as a goat toward when "full measure" for all will remain passed in goat toward when the full for the Lindsay of the Lindsay for t as the Zenor Local, writes that they are practicing for a Negro minstrel. The Juniors are going to sell refreshments at that entertainment in hopes of Juniors are going to sell refreshments at that entertainment in hopes of bringing a few of those necessary coins into their treasury. Donald also bringing a few of those necessary coins into their treasury. Donald also bringing a few of those necessary coins into their treasury. Donald also a bill providing a tax on butterfat to raise an estimated \$125,000 annually for dairy products advertising, it is expected. This sum, it is expected, imposing a punitive tax on the chain store operators. There have been sevatore and the difficulty under which ladden the difficulty under which advertising the states' dairy products are those and the difficulty under which advertising the states' dairy products are those and the difficulty under which advertising the states' dairy products are those and the difficulty under which advertising the states' dairy products are those and the difficulty under which advertising the states' dairy products are those and the difficulty under which advertising the states' dairy products are those and the difficulty under which advertising the states' dairy products are those and the difficulty under which are the control of the surface and the difficulty under which are the control of the surface and the difficulty under which are the control of the surface and the difficulty under which are the control of the surface and the difficulty under which are the control of the surface and the difficulty under which are the control of the surface and the difficulty under which are the control of the surface and the difficulty under which are the control of the surface and the difficulty under which are the control of the surface and the difficulty under which are the control of the surface and the difficulty and the control of the surface and the control of the surface and the control of the surface and the control o

that meets not once a month, not twice a month, but every week!

with spring not far distant. Guess who? Mrs. Harriet Eaton, Junior Leader at Johnstown Local, McPherson county, has been on a trip into the South. How envious we all are! Mrs. Eaton, we certainly are glad that you had an opportunity to make such a fine trip; you must have seen so many interesting things.

Livestock cooperatives should give consideration to the establishment cies should be extended to include of branch agencies at small recogment and marketing service for lim- covering limited areas, should be ited marketing areas," according to developed more fully.

E. A. Beamer, Blissfield, Mich., pres"Cooperatives should ident of the National Livestock Marketing Association.

"In spite of definite progress in

## Spring Fashion Book

For a pattern of this smart model, send 15c in coins, your name, address, pattern number and size, to Kansas Farmers Union Pattern Service, 106 Seventh Avenue, New York, N. Y. now ready, with more than 100 sas Farmers Union last October a



8406. Girl's Bolero Frock

livestock marketing, the fact re- has had three blood transfusions, but FOR BRANCH AGENCIES

Investock marketing, the lact remains that we have been unable to mains that we have been unable to change our policies as fast as trends change our policies as fast as trends ported.

Investock marketing, the lact remains not three plood transfusions, but mouse Bill No. 106 and Senate Bill No. 1 in economic, transportation, and gen-

eral conditions have changed. "The work of terminal sales agennized public stockyards as a means movement as well as auctions in of obtaining more efficient manage- some instances. Smaller markets,

"Cooperatives should work more closely with other farm organizations to stabilize production and supply, and, as a result, maintain adequate prices for livestock and products; and existing ivestock agencies should be coordinated on a regional basis, giving recognition to the difference in interests of growers and feeders of cattle and

#### Who's Who In the Farmers Union

Ray Henry of Stafford county, who farms his 240 acre farm near Zenith Our new Spring Pattern Book is was elected a director of the Kancharming new fashions that you can easily make for yourself. Pattern Book alone, 15c. One Pattern, and one copy of Pattern Book, ordered Union junior leader; and is the organization's "business manager." He is a Farmers Union lecturer and organizer for Stafford county; in 1933 he did special organizational

work for the state organization. He has served on numerous committee in both county and state. Mr. Henry makes it a practice to attend the state conventions and has been delegate several times. He attended the Des Moines National Farmers Union convention.

He is an agent for the Farmers
Union Mutual Insurance Company,
Salina, and the Farmers Union Life

Insurance Company.

Agricultural problems may always be sure of attention. Mr. Henry has taken an active part in the many problems and programs set up for farmers.

### Is Protective System

Even Alexander Hamilton, ardent tariff advocate that he was, recognized that the protective system injured the farmer. He advocated some sort of bounty to compensate for this injury; a protective tariff, you know, is simply a means of raising prices by creating artificial scarcity. For generations the farmer has been selling the abundance of his fields and herds at world prices, and buying manufactured goods in tariff-protect-ed markets.—R. M. Evans of the U. S. department of agriculture.

Designed for sizes: 4, 6, 8, 10 and 12 years. Size 6 requires 2½ yard contrasting. 3 yards ric-rac braid to trim. Price 15c.

"Penny pinching" may help to keep down the overhead of a cooperative, according to W. O. Riddle, manager of the Business Service Association, Des Moines, Ia., but it is 8417. Princess Coat Dress
Designed for sizes: 14, 16, 18, 20; 40,
42 and 44. Size 16 requires 4% yards
of 35 inch fabric. 8 yards of ric-rac.
Price 15c.
Kansas Farmers Union, Box 296,
Salina Kansas

6. budgetary control.

# Seed Box in the Window

from the South; the program was prepared by Margery Dallet, Junior Leader of the Louisiana Farmers Union. The southern states seem like prother country to many of us but another country to many of us, but they deserve our respect. The South has generously contributed many outstanding citizens to our country and has given more than its share of American folk lore and song. The people of the southern states have their problems too, of which Miss

THE MARCH PROGRAM

The Farmers Union Program Ser-

rice brings us this month a message

STRANGER THAN FICTION

on the docks here are paid with silver dollars.
Unless Friday happens to be a le-

gal holiday, that is the day on which hangings are held in New Orleans.

A 10-cent meat sandwich on a

large crusty bun is called a "poor

When you dig three feet down you strike water, so that people of New Orleans can't dig cellars or even

bury their dead underground. That

is why it is often called the "city of

The historic old French Market in

New Orleans is Spanish in architecture, and the majority of its dealers are of Italian descent.

uttered.-March Program Service.

"Ripe" olives obtain their dark col-

or by chemical treatment in vats.

n New Orleans-

wet graves."

Farmer.'

their problems too, of which Miss Dallet tells us in the March pro-In a tightly built box it is advisable to bore holes in the bottom to assist Message to the Local. Reading, "Tribute to the Tenant quick drainage. By covering the holes

with pieces of broken pottery, the soil Song, "Our Dispossessed Farmers."
4-Minute Speech, "Sharecropping the South"

the South" age holes may be omitted.

For the finer seeds it is an excellent Playlet, "Cooperative for a Starch plan to cut burlap to fit the box and Reading, "Mardi Gras Cooperation."
Reading, "Stranger than Fiction."
Poems: "Career,". "Music of the
Earth," "We the Inheritors."
Prayer at Eighteen,", "In the Depot . . . Refugees."

lay it over the coarse drainage and then place the soil upon it so that the box may be watered by setting it in a pan of water and there will be no danger of washing the tiny seeds or seed-lings. Firm the soil and sow the seed thinly in rows. This is better than sowing broadcast as it will be appreciated when it comes to transplanting. There are some of the narrowest This sowing is economy. Quantities of seed are wasted by too thick plantand some of the widest streets in bage on New Year's Day in the belief that by doing so they will have money the whole year around.

Silver dollars are called "banana dollars" because the men who carry bunches of bananas from shipside.

Ing. The tiny plants crowd each other and none of them has a fair chance when they come up thick as fur. This necessitates early transplanting before the seedlings are strong enough to be handled.

Cover the seed boxes with a difference of them has a fair chance when they come up thick as fur. This necessitates early transplanting before the seedlings are strong enough to when needed once a day.

Silver dollars are called "banana dollars" because the men who carry bunches of bananas from shipside

Cover the seed boxes with a damp cloth or piece of paper until germination starts, then place a pane of glass over the top. Remove the paper or cloth as soon as the first tiny sprouts break the soil. Wipe off the covering glass when water collects on it from place for a seed box since the kitchen window facing south is a good to paper until germination the seed box all the sunlight as the balance of society has been obliged to pay for the finished products after it has been processed and found its way back through established channels.

Have the seed box all the sunlight as the balance of society has been obliged to pay for the finished products after it has been processed and found its way back through established channels.

Have the seed box all the sunlight as the balance of society has been obliged to pay for the finished products after it has been processed and found its way back through established the same as No. 2371 by Mr. Lemke. His lished channels.

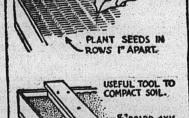
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ure from dripping.

During the day prop up one edge f the covering glass for ventilation. wet or water-logged. Good drainage Instructions for this will be given in will take care of this, provided water a subsequent article.



enough to soak the soil is applied when needed, which is likely to be Seed Box Construction and

Operations

formed their second pair of leaves him in the processing and distribut-they may be transplanted to another ing cooperatives to the mutual bene-ses. Keep seed box soil moist but not box where they will have more room.

#### COFFMAN GIVES REPORT OF KANSAS

were at one time sugar plantations.

When you sneeze n ithis city someone always says "God Bless You;" yet you may cough yourself blue in the face without this phrase being uttered.—March Program Service.

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Bill No. 205 setting up standards of and requiring the licensing of adtuctions is concerned. The argument presented against them is that they handicap the free move-justors. House Bill No. 535 makes illegal the payment of premium re- to the consumer.

that meets not once a month, not twice a month, but every week!

From Baldwin Mrs. George Butell writes that the No. 10 Local has started to Eastern consumers. The plan calls for an excise tax of one cent on every which we are sure they will find interesting, especially with spring not far distant.

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Piqua—Miss Colletta Habiger, daughter of the manager of the Far ers Union Coop. Association, is in ing public and a valuable medium of the St. Johns hospital at Iola. She disposing of agricultural products.
has had three blood transfusions, but House Bill No. 106 and Senate Bill

If You're in Favor of FLAVOR

Try a Dish of Potatoes O'Brien

Multitude of Uses for Potatoes, Plus Their Economy Makes Them Friend of

the Meal-Weary Homemaker and the Hard-Ridden Budgeteer

If holidays meant only THE meal... a potato performs in this fashion for Instead, one must plan, not just on the these common uses, you can rest asother two of the daily three, but on extras—folks dropping in, a midnight supper, snacks, irregular and unplanned all leftover dishes, it will have the supper, snacks, irregular and unplanned as the characteristics.

supper, snacks, irregular and unplanned affairs occasioned by the happy hectic hurry of the season. And .. leftovers, a problem made even more difficult by the inevitable refrigerator raiding!

Then, too, there's always the budget, sadly slipping out of control, in view of the holiday festivities and a dying year. To the rescue — potatoes, friend to the meal-weary homemaker, the hard-ridden budgeteer; prescription for the letdown of post-holiday meals!

Potatoes — what a multitude of uses there are for them. And there's no one food quite so well liked — the whole family through. Moreover, they have the happy faculty of combining so nicely with other foods, to extend, to add allure, to make for distinction. Of course, there are potatoes and — Potatoes. One costs no more than the other. It's just a case of knowing what kind to buy. With all the tricks lying under their skins, it's smart to buy an all-purpose potato, one that's equally good baked, boiled, mashed or fried. Just such a potato is the Idaho Russet, a large potato, quite oval in shape, of a russet brown, with a net-textured skin, free from deep-set eyes and irregularities, all of which helps the shopper to identify it on the vegetable stands. It has built up its reputation on its fine baking qualities, for it's mealy.

It has built up its reputation on its fine baking qualities, for it's mealy, fluffy and white, all requisites of a good baked potato. But, boiled, steamed or fried, the Idaho Russet potato can still boast of these good points! And when

by requiring a license and bond, which would put a large number of such merchants out of commission, NEW LEGISLATION and put others on a par with local

block their passage.

Senate Bill No. 197 extending the right of eminent domain to gas complete for strength of the senate where it is hoped by a large number of merchants, farmers and consumers for strength of the senate where it is hoped by a large number of merchants, farmers and consistency.

it had two years ago. It has been reported favorable out of the Senate Committee on General Orders, which

attracted a lot of attention and will probably be passed in the latter part of the session as a substitute for other bills which breaks down the sales tax collections. Under this measure the approximate sum of \$5-000,000.00, known as the residue of the sales tax will be used to eliminate the present state levy and will bring about real tax reduction for the farmers. As this residue is now distributed the larger per cent of it goes to the cities. Inasmuch as the farmer is the larger contributor to the sales tax, because of his payment on tractors and other machinery in addition to personal expenses. it is contended by legislative representatives that this would constitute a much more fair and equitable distribution of these funds. This residue was created for the purpose of reducing real estate and personal propertaxation.

At the time of this writing it is the general prediction that the legislative session will last four, or five weeks more and that the weeks will see a much greater activity and more accomplished than we have seen in the first seven weeks.

At the close of the session final report will be submitted to all the farm organizations for their publi-

Respectfully Submitted, (Signed)
Clyde W. Coffman,
Legislative Rep.;
Committee of Kansas Farm Organizations.

## FOR EQUALITY

(Continued From Page One) ment that people leave their old homes and their home communities to better their situation and brighten their hopes for the future, there must be a real reason why such a high percentage of our farmers have moved out of their communities and left their farms and homes and migrated to other states or into the towns and cities, and because the moome from the average family sized farm. Although it has been the family sized farm that has developed this great and prosperous nation of ours, the times have now changed to the extent that even a moderately sized farm will not support itself and the averaged sized family according to the American standards of living, because of the fact that the American farmer is not now and never has received his fair share of the national income and since he can not lose the home he now has or has had and go west and start all over again and grow up and exploit new lands, so he must stay where he is in the small towns or cities and swell the relief rolls in every county in the nation. Grave Tenancy Situation

I am also wondering if it might not be profitable at this time to give you a picture of the farm situation

sas is a new state with several of the first white children still living that were born in many of our counties.

I want to ask a favor of each and the state of the state of

where Federal Land Bank Loans are reported 57 per cent in arrears, with the Commissioner loans 73 percent in arrears, which is not the highest percentage of delinquents either, and in some of the very best counties in this state where there transfers that you send for and study at your Local meetings, the several proposed "Agricultural Equality" Bills that have been so far presented in this congress.

Study Farm Legislation either, and in some of the very best counties in this state where there gressman or either of our U. S. has not been a complete crop fail- Senators, asking them to send you ure in years, where the land loans copies of the following bills.

are 17 per cent, with the CommisHouse R. No. 941 by Mr. Voorhis are 17 per cent, with the Commissioner loans 35 per cent in arrears "Agricultural Equality Act of 1939. as of November 30, 1938, with the Cost of production; to fix the value lowest percentage of 4 per cent on Land Bank and 6 per cent on Commissioner loans in one county.

Although it seems to be fashionable to blame the farmers themselves Domestic. The Export Debenture for the city of the country of the

for this situation and after a fash-ion they are more or less to blame, H. R. No. 2190 by Mr. Hill:—Agriprovided whereby he could have Granary-Restore permanent money transacted his own business through return. his own cooperative channels and H. R. No. 2371 by Mr. Massingale: saved unto himself greater portion Cost of Production, every commodhis own cooperative channels and

fit of both the producer and consum-

We have wasted a lot of valuable again re-establish ourselves right where we live, if we will only go what is justly our rights.

For the present, since I had be-

gun to talk politics and since our and since our present Congress is or seems to be more Agriculturally legal the payment of premium refunds to any policy holder. All of these bills are promoted by stock companies and against the best interests of Kansas Mutuals, and your (Companies of Farm Organizations is sure and is now resting confortably). In the first to the consumer.

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terest upon his investment or in other words extending the same basis employed by business and industry in price determination to the farmers' products, which although never practiced or recognized as such

of minerals and forest reserves. Cost of Production With the farmer's income increas-Committee on General Orders, which ed to the place where he can have probably means it will be up for conhis full share of the national in-Senate Bill No. 325 introduced by C. W. Schmidt of Junction City has attracted a lot of attention and will attracted a lot of attention and will lated with happy and contented fam-

the farmer is the larger contributor extended to the farmers' products, it seems to me as though in a very short time the national budget could

from another angle which seems to and would be balanced, because our be conclusive evidence of the Kansas farmers real situation as desper- and the Government; our citizens Gets the Jump on Spring sas farmers real situation as desperation occurred ate as it really is, and by so doing could be placed into gainful occurred ate as it really is, and by so doing pations, becoming self sustaining and try and provoke our farmers to do the things they should have done long years ago. To begin with fifty one per cent of our farms are operated by tenants, even though Kansas is a new state with several of lated Americanism, with its cherish-

es.

We have counties right here in cal presidents or secretaries and Kansas that I could name to you, that is that you send for and study

ion they are more or less to blame, because the farmers as a class have never used the means that have been tries. Warehouse reserves—Normal

of the spread between what material ty produced in excess of ten million als and food stuffs he produced upon dollars. Provides licenses for each his farm and the prices he as well dealer, Miller, elevator operator, pro-

Senate No. 570 by Frazier-Wheeler-Thomas and many others. Called "The Agricultural Equality Act of time but it is not too late for us to 1939. Cost of Production on Industrial Basis for Domestic Consumption. Domestic Price structure. Licenafter the job and stay until we win ses. Surplus receipts and Marketing

Surpluses. Senate No. 1405 by Senator Lee: Cost of Production. Industrial Basis. National Congress is now in session Applies to Wheat and Cotton only.

and since our present Congress is or lif we will just send for copies of seems to be more Agriculturally these bills and then all meet in our minded than they have ever been Local and study and discuss them, to my own personal recollection and since we farmers have finally learn-decisions as to just which one or

all other industries, with the family sized farm as the ideal business unit, whereby the farmer shall and will receive the cost of Production for what he produces for domestic consumption and use, which cost shall be based upon his investment; his taxes-salary for himself and family as producing units, depreciation, interest upon his investment or in

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## Farm Co-ops-Exemption to Income Taxes

Bureau of Internal Revenue Specialist Discusses Technicalities

The question of "What is a coopthe Bureau of Internal Revenue re- entitled thereto. solves itself into a question of what a cooperative must be in order to as an exempt organization under the various revenue acts and

Where a cooperative marketing association has otherwise complied with the provisions of the statute respecting exemption, but defers the payment of patronage dividends to non-members, exemption may be secured Conditioning Factors

1. Where the articles of incorporawhatever name known, are payable to members and nonmembers alike and a general received for the association, will be received and a general received for the association will be received as the month of June 1940 in the case of wheat and plained by the association, and the later than actual producers must be explained by the association, and the later than actual producers must be explained by the association, and the later than actual producers must be explained by the association. and a general reserve is set up for the payment of patronage dividends to non-members.

2. Where the articles of incorporation or by-laws provide for the market their payment of patronage dividends to members and are silent as to the payment of patronage dividends to non-members but a specific credit to be financed by investors, that on the processing of wheat and cotters, purebred sires, and cold storage plants, bulldozers and terracing plants, bulldozers are plants.

non-members alike within a reasonable period after the expiration of failed to prove that any of the

stated in 1, 2, or 3 above, patronage meaning of the statutory provisions dividends are not payable until the granted tax exemption to farmers' non-member becomes a member of the association either through the payment of the required amount in cash or the accumulation of dividends in an amount equal to the purchase price of a share of stock or mem-

Dividends to All

ment of patronage dividends, by whatever name known, to members only, and the association deals with both members and non-members, the association clearly is not organized so as to come within the exemption provisions of the statute. It is not sufficient that an association be operating in an exempt manner but it of the patronage dividends, by members.

It is recognized that a cooperative does not include the processing of wheat for consumption by the producer thereof or for consumption no his sacciation by Administration by Administration by Administration by Administration by Certain purposes, and provision is all sections of the present Agricultural Act not conflicting with this amendment of S. 1405, such as soil conservation benefits, would remit a stock on farms, according to state-wheat for consumption no his sfarm."

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poration or by-laws to provide for the payment of patronage dividends to non-members on the same basis meaning of the statute and departas members and, after so doing, pay the patrons the amount of patronage dividends due them for earlier years and qualify for exemption during the earlier years. The status of each association for exemption purposes for non-members does not exceed the for a given year is determined by value of the products marketed for its form of organization and its actual operations for that year.

Exemption for income taxation is provided to "farmers', fruit growers', or like associations organized, and operated on a cooperative basis (a) for the purpose of marketing the products of members or other producers, and turning back to them the proceeds of sales, less the necesmarketing expenses, on the basis of either the quantity or the value of the products furnished by them,

tum per annum, whichever is greater, on the value of the consideration
er, on the value of the consideration end on the consideration end that part of such combinations are considered as the consideration of the value of the consideration end that part of such combinations are consideration end to the for which the stock was issued, and if substantially all such stock (other than non-voting preferred stock, the Credit Corporation shall purchase owners of which are not entitled or all domestically produced wheat and permitted to participate, directly or cotton offered for sale to it by the indirectly, in the profits of the association, upon dissolution or otherwise, beyond the fixed dividends) is owned by producers who market their products or purchase their supplies and equipment through the association; nor shall exemption be denied any such association because indirectly, in the profits of the as- producer thereof after the beginning denied any such association because there is accumulated and maintained by it a reserve required by State by it a reserve required by State by it a reserve required for any such association because the commodity delivered at local the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reports. Wool prices declined 40 per cent or more than any other animal product from 1937 to 1938. Meat

per centum of the value o fall its consumption, an equal quantity of purchases. Business done for the the commodity from the stocks held purchases. Business done for purchases done for purchases. Business done for purchases done for purchase don shall be disregarded in determining the right to exemption under this wheat and cotton acquired by it

the purpose of marketing the products of their members, but the statutory exemption has been considerably broadened from time to time. ably broadened from time to time.

Under the Revenue Act of 1921
the exemption was extended so as to permit associations of this char-

acter also to be organized and operated as purchasing agents for their members and, beginning with the Revenue Act of 1926, the associations shall be paid by the importer. were permitted to conduct business with non-members, within certain specified limitations. The exemption provided in the more recent revenue the operation of this title is causacts is similar to the above-quoted ing or will cause to the processors

far as the distribution of patronage dividends is concerned. A cooperative marketing association may not therefore, if it desires to qualify as exempt, make a profit on the business transacted with non-member iness transacted with non-member as the patrons of such business from the patronage tion between such commodities or products thereof.

"If the Secretary finds, after intended to the patronage tion between such commodities or products thereof. erative?" from a point of view of of such business from the patrons

Need Keep Records

In order to establish compliance with the requirements of the Revenue Act that the proceeds of sales, thus be relieved of the duty of filing Federal income-tax returns.

L. K. Sunderlin, chief, Taxpayers' Rulings section in the Bureau of Internal Revenue, writes on this subject in the February number of News for Farmer Cooperatives, a monthly publication of the Farm Credit Administration, Washington, Washington, Where a cooperative marketing as permanent records from which the proportionate share of the patronage dividends due to non-member pro-

association will be required to show that the ownership of its capital stock has been restricted as far as possible to actual producers who es of wheat and cotton as of the

non-members but a specific credit to situation must be taken care of by proclaimed.

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"(c) There shall be allowed as a hatcheries and tractors.

e period after the expiration of particular year involved.

Where, under the circumstances ed in 1, 2, or 3 above, patronage dends are not payable until the cooperatives. The facts in the case, reports Mr.

zations of producers and consumers; and that it sold to all its members owned by local cooperative organi- taxpayer for such commodity Where, on the other hand, the ard and that it sold to all its members of wheat means the milling or other

law or a reasonable reserve for any in the exempting provisions of the necessary purpose." The necessity for the existence of any reserve or An association may not, further-more, amend its articles of incor-by State law must be shown. Equipreserves other than those required ment depreciation will be recognized as a necessary purpose within the

> mental regulations. An association will not be denied exemption because it markets the products of non-members, provided the value of the products marketed members during each year.

OKLA SENATOR INTRODUCES A NEW FARM BILL

(Continued From Page One) modities allotted to any person for any year would be a quantity having a combined value in excess of \$1,500, computed at domestic prices, be reduced so that such combined which left the market here steady ported 6-degree warmer winter temsupplies and equipment for the use of members or other persons, and turning over such supplies and equipment to them at actual cost, plus necessary expenses.

Non-Member Business

"Exemption shall not be denied any such association because it has with a such combined to the continuous any such association because it has capital stock, if the dividend rate of such stock is fixed at not to excess of \$2,500; and by 60 per centof such stock is fixed at not to excess of \$2,500; and by 60 per centof such stock is fixed at not to excess of \$2,500; and by 60 per centof such stock is fixed at not to excess of \$2,500; and by 60 per centof such stock is fixed at not to excess of \$2,500; and by 60 per centof such stock is fixed at not to exceed the legal rate of interest in the value in excess of \$2,500 but not in

or an even larger purchases accounted for an even larger percentage of the day's total.

A check of daily top sales in the logal rate of interest in the value in excess of \$2,500 but not in log harder at the sale of the logal rate of interest in ceed the legal rate of interest in the value in excess of \$2,500 but not in hog harket at Kansas City last month State of incorporation of 8 per cen-excess of \$3,000; and by 80 per revealed that shippers paid 25 cents

"Sec. 359 (a) The Commodity 10 cents more on eight days, 5 cents

law or a reasonable reserve for any markets shall be the domestic price animal prices were down 13 per necessary purpose.

amount the value of which does not to unavoidable causes, including ad- per cent; and chickens and eggs were the value of the products verse weather conditions, insect pests, down 5 per cent. marketed for members, and may pur-plant diseases, any farmer fails to chase supplies and equipment for produce a quantity of wheat equal non-members in an amount the value Commodity Credit Corporation would of which does not exceed the value of the supplies and equipment purchased for members, provided the value of the purchases made for persons who are neither members nor producers does not exceed 15 nor producers does not exceed 15 funds by disposing of, for domestic program of the value of fall its consumption, an equal quantity of

under subsection (a) as rapidly paragraph;"

Under the revenue acts prior to the Revenue Act of 1921 the exemption was limited to farmers' fruit growers', or like associations organized and operated as sales agents for ed and operated as sales agents for the purpose of marketing the production (a) as rapidly as orderly marketing and the policies of this Act will permit and shall not retain any quantity of wheat or cotton, acquired by it under subsection (a).

Compensation Taxes "Sec. 390C. (a) The Secretary shall ascertain from time to time whether provision of the Revenue Act of of wheat or cotton in the United 1938. Non-member patrons must be from competing commodities by reatreated the same as members inso- son of excessive shifts in consump-

son of excessive shifts in consumption between such commodities or products thereof.

The insurance companies own about 23 per cent of all railroad bonds; 23 per cent of all public utility bonds, 8 per cent of all state, county and murker incipal bonds. Their investment in the securities alone is greater than the securities alone is greater than the petition exist, or will exist, he shall proclaim such finding. The Secretary shall specify in his proclaims such finding. The Secretary shall specify in his proclaim the compensating rate of tax on the second state.

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the compensating rate of tax on the tax, to be paid by the processor, at the rate specified, until such rate is altered pursuant to a further finding window this continuous. ing under this section.

Processing Taxes "Sec. 39OD. (a) On and after July 1, 1940, in the case of wheat, and on and after August 1, 1940, in the

the market their products through the association.

member is set up on the books of the association.

3. Where the articles of incorporation or by-laws are silent as to the payment of patronage dividends to either members and/or non-members, but the evidence submitted shows that it has been the consistent practice of the association to make payment in cash or its equivalent of patronage dividends to members and non-members alike within a reason
Not for "Consumers"

"(c) There shall be allowed as a hatcheries and tractors.

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These loahs, financing group purchense evidence of indebted against the tax imposed by this section, 99 per centum of the tipset to the tax so imposed with respect to the tax so

cessing of any wheat or cotton ac- needy and low-income farmers, Sunderlin, showed that the exchange was a share-capital cooperative corporation under the laws of Wisconsin; that its capital stock was a possible to the cannot obtain additional consinguation and the laws of the marketing year beginning of the marketing year beginning of the marketing year any other source.

GIVE PRAIS where, on the other hand, the art and that it sold to all its identities of incorporation or by-laws specifically provide for the pay-farm produce consigned to it by drying) of wheat means the including and that it sold the processing of the proc

PROP FOR HOG PRICES Buying Orders From Independent Packers Force Rallies

"Some very interesting informa-ion," comments W. G. Bernhardt, nanager of the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Company, in regard to a clipping from the Kansas City Star of December 19, 1939, reading as follows:

Buying orders from independent supporting hog prices at Kansas City worth and St. Louis also were reported. In recent months, indeand the Gulf coast also have purchased hogs through Kansas City order buyers.

Shipping orders last week were largest on Wednesday and Friday, partly accounting for price upturns,

more on five days. Packers equaled the shipper top on only two sessions,

mecessary purpose.

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"For the world market price, which commodity."

"The products were 12 per cent lower; or commodity."

"If by reason of loss in yields due prices of work animals were off 8

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processing thereof necessary to prevent such disadvantages in competition. Thereafter there shall be levited, assessed, and collected upon ited, assessed, and collected upon ited, assessed, and collected upon ited first processing in the United forged proxies are not unusual management. the first processing in the United forged proxies are not unusual. The States of the competing commodity a government investigation is seeking

SECURE FSA LOANS

Over 7,000 Farm Groups Use Community Service Loans
The Farm Security Administration

available in their communities. These services include combines, silage cut-

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GIVE PRAISE TO TREES

FSA Survey Discovers Many and Various Uses Groves of trees materially enhance

production of food, feed and livedoes not include the processing of stock on farms, according to state-

ing of soil, seed or young crops; shielding from hot winds, hail or crop-leveling winds, and prevention of rapid drying of the soil. Gardens and orchards benefited as much as field crops, said the reporting farm-

Livestock and poultry found protection, both from excessive heat and cold. A South Dakota farmer reported shade from his grove saved his cattle from any death loss in hot, dry weather while his neighbors, without groves, suffered considerable loss. Others told of livestock saved from severe snow storms. A packers in Arizona, Illinois, Wiscon-Nebraska farmer reported wintering packers in Arizona, inition, the property of the protection except a good grove.

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Dwellings protected by groves used \$20 to \$40 less fuel annually than unprotected houses, according to farmers' estimates. A Kansas farmer re-



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FARM INCOME FALLS

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Though the farmers constitute 18.6 per cent of the gainfully employed population, they get only 8.9 per cent of the national income, according to the latest Department of Commerce study. If unpaid family labor were included among those engaged in agriculture farmers would constitute and the serve were study.

| Year | Total<br>National<br>Income<br>(milions) | Farm<br>Income<br>(milions) | Farm<br>Income<br>as % of<br>Total | % Gainfull<br>Employed in<br>Agriculture |
|------|--|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| 1929 | \$81,128                                 | \$7,263                     | 8.9%                               | 17.6%                                    |
| 1930 | 68,302                                   | 5,681                       | 8.3                                | 18.2                                     |
| 1931 | 53,822                                   | 3,706                       | 6.9                                | 19.7                                     |
| 1932 | 40,014                                   | 2,442                       | 61.                                | 21.3                                     |
| 1933 | 42,256                                   | 3,316                       | 7.8                                | 21.8                                     |
| 1934 | 50,052                                   | 4,388                       | 8.8                                | 20.5                                     |
| 1935 | 55.186                                   | 5,185                       | 9.4                                | 20.0                                     |
| 1936 | 63,466                                   | 5,883                       | 9.3                                | 19.3                                     |
| 1937 | 69,817                                   | 6,223                       | 8.9                                | 18.6                                     |
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