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TRANS-MISSOURI-KANSAS SHIPPERS' **BOARD HAS MEETING**

Proposed Rules of Procedure, Purposes and Objectives of the Agricultural Council of the Trans-Missouri Kansas Shippers' Board

Twentieth Regular and Fifth Annual Meeting in Kansas City Mo., March 21st

Preface The Agricultural Council of the Trans-Missouri-Kansas Shippers Board is an organization recommend ed to the Executive Committee and approved by the members of the Board at its Twentieth Regular and Fifth Annual Meeting, Kansas City, Missouri, March 21, 1928, details of approval such recommendation and of approval appearing in the published proceedings of said meeting on file with the Scaretary of the Board, 310 Kansas City Southern Building, Kansas City, Missouri. The organization of the Agricultural Council is consistent with the objectives of the Shippers Advisory Boards, particularly objective No. 2, reading as follows:

"To study production, markets, distribution and trade channels of the commodities produced in its territory with a view to effecting improvements in trade practices as related to transportation and to promoting a more even distribu-tion of commodities, where prac-

The rules of procedure, purpose and objectives shall be as follows:

Personnel of Council 1. The Council shall be composed of a President, a Vice President and an Exesutive Secretary, a State Chairman and Secretary of each respective state under the jurisdiction of this Board, and a representative from each of the agricultural organizations and such other business representatives as may be considered advisable. The Gen-

3. The Secretary of the Trans-Missouri-Kansas Shippers Board shall be the Executive Secretary of the Agricultural Council.

4. Vacancies will be filled by a majority vote of the members of the Council, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee of the Trans-Missouri-Kansas Shippers board. Objects

the Board. 6. To study and progress to conthe opinion of the Council will implans and programs as ma- be sub- riculture would be discussed at these mitted to the Board or to the Council direct involving, marketing and distribution of agricultural products.

mitted to the Board through the Exe- successful conclusion. cutive Committee for final decision. 9. The Executive Secretary, with the consent of the President, will issue calls for meetings, or, in his absence, Missouri-Ka...sas Shippers Board may the General Chairman shall preside.

and General Chairman the Committee will select a Chairman from among of needed legislation. the members present.

On our eleven recommendations the following action was taken: In our

decisions of the State Units shall be the request of our members and in-

eographed, furnishing a copy of same to each member of the Committee and a copy to the President and General due to our recommendations.

Chairman of the Advisory Board and Senate Bill No. 33 is now a law and Chairman of the Advisory Board and to the District Manager of the Amer-

member of the Committee has received an expression of the subjects to be discussed at meetings, any member may express his opinions in writing, the same to be addressed to the Prestant to the Prestant to the Prestant to the

New Farm Board Head



Tames C. Stone of Kentucky, who nucceeds Alexander Legge as Chairman of Federal Farm Board. Mr Stone was formerly president of the Burley Tobacco Growers Association

Chairman Stone will attend the convention of Kansas cooperative grain dealers in Hutchinson the week of March 23rd. Arrangements have been made for him to speak Wednesday.

Plans have also been made for him but for the way they preached it. to speak at a meeting in Topeka on Friday, March 27th.

REPORT ACTIVITIES OF FARM COMMITTEE

L. E. Webb, Legislative Representative of Comm. of Kansas Farm Organizations, Says Program Has Been a Success

Splendid Support Received from Farm Leaders and Members

Dear Co-operator: To some of you to whom I have already made a partial report on the activities of our committee during the may be considered advisable. The General Chairman of the Trans-Missouri-Vansas Shippers Board shall be an ex-officio member of the Council.

2. The Executive Committee shall consist of the President, Vice-President Executive Secretary and the affiliated with if any. On receiving to be President of the Executive Comfiliation, occupation, and farm organ-mittee.

out entire crop. If this is correct, we fill attorn, occupation, and farm organ-ization affiliations. This proved yery helpful.

We next made up a series of suggestions on which all our organizasuch suggestions were placed on each our American wheat. member's desk with a request that they be preserved for future refer-

We next mailed an invitation to every member, who indicated by his listed occupation or otherwise that he several Agricultural Committees of was interested in agriculture, to attend a luncheon as our guest. We were delighted that about seventy-five responded to our invitation. At this clusion plans and programs which in time Senator Hanson was chosen as chairman and your representative as prove (production) marketing and distribution of agricultural products as secretary. Each Tuesday was chosen as the date for the weekly luncheon. may appear worthy of investigation. It was unanimously agreed that all 7. To analyze and consider such matters of utmost importance to ag-

luncheons if possible. The secretary mailed each week a letter to each member whose presence 8. The Council shall be a part of the Trans - Missouri - Kansas Shipp ers Board and all the decisions of the attendance. We believe the luncheon and programs involved shall be sub- bringing our program to a somewhat

We established a mailing list of one hundred and four newspapers and mailed in comments which were used and seemingly appreciated by most of the General Chairman of the Trans- the papers on the list. Our work be came so heavy that this was practiissue such calls. The President shall cally abandoned. Numerous radio adpreside at meetings; in his absence dresses were given by Mr. Ward, Mr. Cogswell, and others over WIBW at 10. In the absence of both President

10 General Chairman the Committee which the principal subject was that

call a meeting of their membership request for a more liberal co-operative whenever in the judgment of the State Chairman conditions justify. All Bill No. 309 which was prepared at

in brief prohibits the use of butter to the District Manager of the American Railway Association.

14. The regular meetings of the Council shall coincide with regular meetings of the Advisory Board and meetings of the Advisory Board and shall be held on the day first precedshall be held on the day first preceding the date of regular Board meetings. Call meetings will be held when in the judgment of the President continuous the passage of this bill, we feel that

ditions justify.

15. The Secretary shall, whenever practicable, mail to each member of the Council a program describing the purposes and objectives of the meetpurposes and objectives of the meetpurposes and objectives of special which we hoped to see enacted into a law was House Bill No. 625 dition to work in pre-medics, pre-engage of this bill, we feel that we will be constantly improved as it has been in the past. The college to have the consumption of butter in Kansas one-half million pounds. Another butter substitute now, however, grants degrees of B. S., A. B., M. S., and B. M., in addition to work in pre-medics, pre-engage of this bill, we feel that we will be constantly improved as it has been in the past. The college to have the consumption of butter in Kansas one-half million now, however, grants degrees of B. S., A. B., M. S., and B. M., in addition to work will be constantly improved as it has been in the past. The college to have the consumption of butter in Kansas one-half million now, however, grants degrees of B. S., A. B., M. S., and B. M., in addition to a law was House Bill No. 625 purposes and objectives as of special which placed a license fee of \$1.00 on gineering, and pre-law. or call meetings.

16. Whenever a subject is to come up for consideration at a regular, special or call meeting, and where a special or call meeting, and where a calendar at the close of the Committee has received but we were unable to secure a received but a received bu

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FOR AMERICAN WH

With a Wheat Carry-over on the First of July, of Around 250 Millions of Bushels, and What Looks to Be a Bumper Crop for 1931, What Will the Price Be for the New Crop? And What Will the Farmers Do About it?

The Farm Board is out in an announcement that there will be no attempt to stabilize the 1931 crop of wheat. By the end of May, the Stabilization Corporation will own practically all of the wheat in the United States. This wheat will be in the terminal elevators and they will be mostly full. It looks as though it would be a physical impossibility for the Farm Board to keep on purchasing wheat at a price above the world market, if we continue to create the surplus.

Last year, when Mr. Legge and Mr. Hydemade their tour of Kansas, preaching reduction eage, this paper criticized them quite severely, not so much for the thing they preached, retheway they preached it.

The Livestock Advisory Committee has just submitted to the Federal Farm Board a report of a meeting held in Chicago, March 10 and 11, on call of the Board. of acreage, this paper criticized them quite severely, not so much for the thing they preached,

Once there was a woman who had her husband arrested for beating her, she said, beion that present prices on all classes
cause she ate too much butter. Her husband, when he got on the stand, admitted that he beat her but he said it wasn't because of the amount of butter she ate, but the way the darned fool

We believe that if Mr. Legge and Mr. Hyde had met the farmers of Kansas and told them that if they would do their part in reducing acreage, the Farm Board would do theirs, in taking care of any surplus which might arise, that the program of reduction of acreage would have been much farther along then it is at present.

We wonder how many Farmers Union members know that the National Constitution of the Farmers Union, in its preamble, Article Second, where it tells of the purpose of the Organization, says that one of its purposes is to systematize methods of production and distribution.

The Agricultural Marketing Act in its declaration of policy, says in paragraph four, that one of the means of bringing Agriculture back to an equality with other industries, is, by aiding in preventing and controlling surpluses in any agricultural commodity, through orderly production and distribution, so as to maintain advantageous domestic markets and prevent such surpluses from causing undue and excessive fluctuation or depression in prices for the commodity.

European countries, which have been our customers for surplus wheat, have built high tariff walls and are paying bonuses to their own farmers, in order to bring their grain production up to the needs of their country.

Russia, with its government-owned farms, has started on a five-year program, to control the wheat markets of the world. One of the high government officials in Russia, not long ago, made consist of the President, Vice-President, Vice-President, Vice-President, Vice-President, Executive Secretary and the affiliated with, if any. On receiving the statement that at the end of their five-year program, which is now only three years ahead, affiliated with, if any. On receiving the statement that at the end of their five-year program, which is now only three years ahead, affiliated with, if any. On receiving the statement that at the end of their five-year program, which is now only three years ahead, affiliated with, if any. On receiving the statement that at the end of their five-year program, which is now only three years ahead, they will be able to export seven or eight hundred million bushels of wheat. This is as much as they will be able to export seven or eight hundred million bushels of wheat. This is as much as they will be able to export seven or eight hundred million bushels of wheat. This is as much as they will be able to export seven or eight hundred million bushels of wheat. This is as much as they will be able to export seven or eight hundred million bushels of wheat. This is as much as they will be able to export seven or eight hundred million bushels of wheat. This is as much as they will be able to export seven or eight hundred million bushels of wheat. This is as much as they will be able to export seven or eight hundred million bushels of wheat. This is as much as they will be able to export seven or eight hundred million bushels of wheat. This is as much as they will be able to export seven or eight hundred million bushels of wheat. This is as much as they will be able to export seven or eight hundred million bushels of wheat. This is as much as the end of the export seven or eight hundred million bushels of wheat. This is as much as the end of the export seven or eight hundred million bushels of wheat. The end of the export seven or eight hundred million bushels of wheat and the end of the export seven or eight hundred million bushels of wheat and the end of the export seven or

Argentine, Australia, and India, with their cheap labor and cheaper land, have been steadily increasing their wheat acreage. So it would seem that the only common sense thing for our farmgestions on which all our organizations which all our organizations were in agreement. A copy of control of the control of the copy of co

This is exactly what other industries do at the present time. They are able to do this because of their highly efficient organization.

Many of our major industries this past year have been operating at less than fifty percent plant capacity. This has meant decreased earnings and in some instances, even losses. But it would have been suicide for these industries to operate their plants to full capacity when their market outlet was sharply curtailed.

At the present time we are raising an average of eight hundred million bushels of wheat each year. The people of the United States are only able to consume six hundred million. If six hundred million bushels of wheat would bring the farmers of this country more money than eight hundred million, why should we raise this surplus of two hundred million bushels?

From all over the wheat belt, stories are coming in of farmers agreeing to cut their acreage on next year's crop. In one meeting in particular, down in Texas, one hundred farmers present signed an agreement to reduce acreage from forty to fifty percent. Word is coming from the spring wheat territory that there is an organized move there this spring, to reduce wheat acreage.

We do not believe that much can be accomplished in these haphazard ways. If the farm-Council together with copies of plans idea was very advantageous to us in ers of this country were thoroughly organized, this question could be handled very easily.

The Farm Board, in a statement, says:

"We are convinced that Agriculture, as a whole, will never be on a profitable basis, until farmers, like those of other industries, adjust their output, both as to quantity and quality, to potential market requirements and, of course, at the same time, endeavor to expand and extend those markets. With six and one half million farm units, unorganized, and producing blindly, this cannot be accomplished, but with farmers organized and cooperatively minded, supplied with accurate market and crop outlook information, we believe it entirely possible that such can be brought about."

There is no question but that the farmers of Kansas are thinking about these matters. In the last two months, in over twenty meetings where we have been, this question of acreage reduction has been discussed and in most cases the farmers were very favorably inclined to this

It is only a question of organization.

A. M. Kinney.

passage we feel was almost entirely Hays was passed by the Legislature The reason for the change of names is this: Two years ago the college was

made a member of the North Centra Association. This puts it in the same class with the best of universities and colleges in the Mississippi valley. Sam H. Thompson, who owns a 500,-Therefore it is no longer strictly a acre farm in Illinois, today was apteachers college. It is much more pointed a member of the farm board than a teachers college. Of course, the teachers training resignation of Alexander Legge.

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submitted to the Council for approval before submitting to the Board for final disposition.

12. The Secretary will keep a record of the proceedings of the meetings.

13. The Secretary will, as conveniently as possible, have minutes of meetings printed, typewritten or miminately as it was very voluminous, meetings printed, typewritten or miminately as possible, have minutes of meetings printed, typewritten or miminately as possible, have minutes of meetings printed, typewritten or miminately as possible, have minutes of meetings printed, typewritten or miminately as possible, have minutes of meetings printed, typewritten or miminately meetings printed, the formulation of the most active processing. SAM H. THOMPSON TO Hays, Kan., Mar. 25.—A new name now designates the college that for 29 years has played an important part of Kansas—Fort Hays Kansas State College. The bill giving this name in place of the containing eighty-three sections. Its limits the requirements our suggestion. This bill has been one of the most active processing the meetings of the meetings.

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Illinois Stock and Grain Farmer, Head of American Bureau Federation, Active in Agricultural Affairs

WASHINGTON, Mar. 19-(AP) to fill the vacancy created by the

The appointment was announced at the White House upon receipt of a telegram of acceptance. Thompson's commission was signed by President Hoover before he left on his Carib-

Thompson has been an active farmer for years and has been identified with organizations seeking agricul-

House Bill No. 46 provided for the axpress his opinions in writing, ame to be addressed to the Presame was changed to Kansas State as president of the American Farm as president of the American

Thompson was born in Adams county, Ill., in 1863. There, he first became identified with agriculture and engaged in livestock raising and grain farming.

Begining with an 80-acre farm he had added to it until it now totals 500 acres. One of his sons is now farming t, under Thompson's general supervision.

He is now president of the Broadway bank, Quincy, Ill., a director of the Farmers' National Grain corporation,, a subsidiary of the farm board and a director of the national livestock and meat board.

F. U. AUDITING ASSOCIATION STARTS TWO COUNTY AUDITS

SALINA, Kans., March 23-Farmers Union Auditing Association starts on two important audits this week-that of Wabaunsee County and

CHANGES IN FARMERS UNION BROADCAST SCHEDULE

We are changing the time for the announcements to be read now from 6:30 to 6:45 a. m. to catch the audience that listens to the Sod Busters. The evening one is changed from 6:30 to 6:25 to catch the audience on the Shepherd of the Hills program. The Kansas City Livestock CND service is read at 11:45 and sponsored by the Farmers Union. The market flash is Farmers Union. The market flash is read at 12:25 p. m. each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Present Prices on All Classes of Meat Animals Are Lower Than Their Cost of Production, They State

Several Resolutions Adopted

Among the resolutions adopted were

the following:

That the Federal Farm Board continue its policy of directing attention of the public to the low market prices of meats.

That the production of livestock is now fully equal to domestic demands and it is necessary that producers consider more carefully the regulation of production to accord with industrial conditions and market demands as presented by the U.S. Department of Agri-

That the marketing of livestock, especially lambs and hogs, at a more uniform rate and when and as they reach a marketable condition is a policy which should be followed by producers throughout the country as this will assist in avoiding gluts on the market.

That further assistance be given in the capitalization of regional credit corporations; that present facilities for extending credit to livestock men are reasonably adequate provided full cooperation by the Intermediate Credit Banks be given regional credit corporations affiliated with the National Livestock Marketing

That the differential between wholesale and retail prices of meats has materially widened in recent years. With a view to securing benefits to consumer, producer and distributor, we urge the making, with the cooperation of the retail associations, of a comprehensive study of existing methods and possible improvements and economies in the distribution of meats.

In fairness to the American livestock men and the American consumers, any oleomargarine containing more than fifty per cent of animal fats produced in this country should be free of tax, provided that it contains no imported oils or fats.

That the Federal Farm Board request the Department of Agriculture to continue to promote the development of the type of hog that most effectively meets consuming demands. That the Federal Farm Board is to be commended for its service in cooperating with other

governmental agencies to secure the most effective revision and administration of laws calculated to protect American farmers in their domestic markets on a parity with other industries.

That the question of trade standards for marketing classes and grades of livestock and meats is one of the most import-

ant and urgent now facing the industry; and that the Federal Farm Board should encourage the study of this subject now being made by the joint committee representing the producing and packthis conference committee will avail itself of the work that has been done on this subject by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

The members of the Advisory Committee, which was established by the livestock cooperatives upon invi-tation of the Farm Board, are as crop comes through your wheat grow-

Antonio, Texas. E. F. Forbes, President and Man-

E. F. Forbes, President and Manager, Western Cattle Marketing Association, San Francisco, Calif.
Harry G. Beale, Columbus, Ohio.
R. C. Gunn, Director of the National Livestock and Meat Board, and member of the Marketing Committee of the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation,

Buckingham, Iowa. F. R. Marshall, Director of the Na-F. R. Marshall, Director of the National Livestock and Meat Board, and Wednesday, March 24th and 25th, Mr. Kinney attended the meeting of President of the National Wool Growers Association, Salt Lake City, Utah.

William Whitfield Woods, President

William Whitfield Woods, President Chicago, Ill.

REX LEAR TO BROADCAST

WHEAT GROWERS **CUT ACREAGE**

1. W. Ricker, Editor F. U. Herald, St. Paul, Advises Abandonment of Our Unprofitable Surplus

Better to Harvest Some at a Profit, Than All At a Loss, He Declares

Editor Kansas Union Farmer, Salina, Kansas.

Since my return from Kansas and the publication of my article in the Herald, "A Trip Through Kansas," I have received a number of interesting Dear Sir: letters from our wheat growers in the Northwest. Some of the letters state that my description of the wheat area of Kansas was a revelation to them. They apparently just did not realize the size of Kansas and its capacity to grow wheat. It is hard for a person who has not traveled much to realize how big is the area covered by our United States and its immense natural resources. The average per-

son has a very localized viewpoint. Among the letters received here is one which came in this morning from Alexander, North Dakota, Alexander is in McKenzie County, near the Montana boundary line and close to the Missouri River. If we ignore state boundary lines, the territory around Alexander covering six counties in Montana and about twelve in North Dakota; constitutes the heart of the hard spring wheat area of the Missouri and Yellowstone Valleys. Valley in this case does not mean bottom land by the state of the Missouri and Yellowstone Valleys. tom land, but is a geographical term.
The wheat is really raised on the upper benches of the territory named.
Given a good crop, this territory is capable of producing 50,000,000 bushels of hard spring wheat. Your readers of hard spring wheat. Your readers will understand the feelings of this farmer from Alexander, whose letter

Alexander, N. D., March 13, 1931.

"Dear Sir:

"With great interest we read
the editorial "A Trip Through
Kansas" in the Herald of March
9th. We noted what you said about the wheat acreage of Kansas and the regret of the farmers that acreage hadn't been cut. I would suggest that you communi-cate with the head officials of the various farm organizations and have them urge their members to plow under from 20 to 30 percent be more profitable to harvest the balance at a profit than all of it at such a tremendous loss as they will if all of it is harvested. Just because it has been seeded is no sign it need be harvested. On the question of what to do with the abandoned acreage, I would say, let it lie idle. What's the use of wearing out the soil with 30c wheat. We in the Northwest think nothing of the idle acres.

"Most farmers say they are going to make a subsantial cut in wheat acreage from 20 to 30 percent, but if the Southwest retains their full acreage and harvests a normal crop, our cut will not affect the market much and we will still have to take 30c for the little we will have next fall. It seems to me it would be a very easy matter to convince those farmers that plowing under part of their wheat fields would be the thing to do.

"Hoping you was suggestion, I am, "Yours truly, "O. A. Gajewski." It will be recalled that our spring wheat growers cut their acreage last spring about 10 percent. The drouth ook about another 20 percent so that ve were short in our production in the hard wheat territory about 30 per-

Our folks expected that Kansas and Oklahoma would meet the cut made by the Northwest when planting time came last fall . Kansas wheat growers, however ignored good service and plunged into another almost full acreage crop.

We are going ahead here in the

Northwest advising our farmers to make a further cut and we are pledging them that Kansas will meet the situation this fall. We think the advice offered by our

North Dakota farmer to the farmers follows:
Chas, A. Ewing, Chairman, President National Livestock Marketing Association, Decautur, Ill.
H. L. Kokernot, President, Texas Livestock Marketing Association, San Antonio, Texas.

Very truly yours, A. W. Ricker.

SECRETARY KINNEY HAS A BUSY WEEK

SALINA, Kans., March 25-Secretary A. M. Kinney attended a Farmers Union meeting at Marquette on Monday night, March 23rd. Tuesday Institute of American Meat Packers, and speak at the all-day meeting of Greenwood County, at Madison on Chicago. Ill. Thursday, March 26th, and at the OADCAST | meeting of Anderson County at Springfield School House, four miles outheast of Garnett, on Saturday,

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NATIONAL SECRETARY O'SHEA SAYS ORGANIZED MAR-KETING IS ONLY PROFITABLE METHOD

Finished a week in Old Kentucky.

Find that tobacco growers are just as impoverished as wheat growers or cotton growers. The farmers here produce the tobacco and deliver it and their job is finished. The speculators and organized buyers take it away from them for any old price they wish to pay. Met a guy named Terry here yesterday who produced and delivered 1748 pounds of tobacco and received the miserable sum of 3c per lb. This dark tobacco cost him 10c to produce.

About 250,000 farmers in Kentucky raising tobacco, about 250,000 individual auctioneers selling tobacco to four giant corporations who fix price and dominates the tobacco business. Every grower "doing his own business" which means doing no business, working overtime from his neck down, living usually in humble homes, with little conveniences, smothered with debts and mortgages, and an easy prey to the Big Four and innumerable little puppy dog exploiters on the side lines. One of the Big Four, the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company made net earnings of nearly 33 million dollars in 1930. The Four must have combined profits of nearly 100 millions in a year of drought depression and distress among the growers generally.

Kentucky is a land of romance and traditions, of hospitality and good Kentucky is a land of formance and states of the flows and behave in the officer states of the flows and behave in the officer states of the flows and behave in the officer states of the flows and behave in the officer states of the flows and behave in the officer states of the flows and behave in the officer states of the flows and behave in the officer states of the flows and behave in the officer states of the flows and behave in the officer states of the flows and behave in the officer states of the flows and behave in the officer states of the flows and behave in the officer states of the flows and behave in the officer states of the flows and behave in the officer states of the flows and behave in the officer states of the flows and behave in the officer states of the flows and behave in the officer states of the flows and the flows and the officer states of the flows and the officer states of the flows and the officer states of the officer states who wrote that superb song, "My Old Kentucky Home" did not have one drop of Celtic blood?

Kentucky will and must build on a solid foundation, they must first organize themselves in a class group, restricting membership to farmers, they must educate themselves to collective marketing and purchasing through farmer owned and controlled agencies, they must develop their own leaders, executives, must always retain absolute control of their own business, which of course, includes marketing and purchasing as well as producing

The Kentucky Farmers Union is advocating marketing contracts for tobacco, produce, wool and poultry products to secure volume control, bargaining power, cost of production, plus a reasonable profit, appealing to farmers to get away from chaotic, destructive individual selling and purchasing, and to do collectively in a sensible way what they never could do, or never will do individually. The individual way has been a most destructive idiotic way, the organized way is the accepted, universal, sensible and

If 75 per cent of the tobacco growers would join a parent National class organization of their own, agree to deliver all of their commodity to their own auctioneer, they could bargain for price and do business sensibly

By purchasing fertilizer and other materials in carlots they would save considerable money, and by patronizing Union Life, Property and Automobile Insurance companies, they would gradually build up financial reserves, and credit system of their own. So long as they sell at the other fellow's price, buy at the other fellow's price, nourish the old line system, they will themselves be undernourished, exploited and victimized by the tobacco ring. Jimmi O'Shea, National Secretary.

CAN'T LIVE ON \$12,000 A YEAR

A Kansas grain dealer and miller says he was approached recently in regard to filling the place on the Federal Farm Board which is to be vacated 25c lower. The bulk of the shortfed cattle are selling from \$7.75 to \$8.25 soon by Sam R. McKelvie. Granting the truth of his statement, we will with a top of \$9.75. However, there were very few cattle here good enough not attempt to say here what we think about putting a grain dealer on the this week to bring \$9 or better. board to look after the interests of farmers. But one of the interesting things in connection with this incident is that this grain dealer said he thought he could fill the position and would have no particular objection to it except that to could not live on \$12,000 a year. No doubt some Kansas farmers who have been told by grain dealers that the cooperative marketing method was too expensive, will be interested to learn that some of these people can not live on even \$12,000 a year. Looks as though the grain business in years past must have been fairly remunerative-Wheat Grow-

TAXATION IN PROPORTION TO BENEFITS RECEIVED

taxes should be appreciated in proportion to benefits received. This is per pound as veals. theoretically correct, but practically impossible, except in the case of some special taxes, as will be noted in another article. But insofar as general taxation is concerned, the benefit theory will not work for two very good

1. Many people receive the benefits of government that are hardly able Joseph Hemme, Jefferson Co., Kansas, 20 steers... or wholly unable to pay the tax that provides those benefits. A poor farm L. J. Lewis, Osage Co., Kansas, 34 steers... renter with a large family could hardly pay, in proportion to benefits re- C. F. Barkley, Douglass Co., Kansas, Load Steers. ceived, the heavy tax necessary to support the school that educates his H. H. Parry, Coffey Co., Kansas, Steers..... children. The poor must use bridges and roads, though they cannot pay the F. G. Downing, Beaver City, Nebr., Load steers tax to construct them. Even the children of the washer woman are entitled C. A. Martz, Bates Co., Missouri, Steers ... to police protection, though their mother cannot pay the tax to support the R. Schoeller, Phillips Co., Kansas, Steers. police. The poor are entitled to the benefits of sanitation, health, and Gus Gallisinni, Ft. Morgan, Colorado, Steers quarantine regulations, though they cannot pay the tax to maintain these Elmer Clark, Neosho Co., Kansas, Steers regulations. The inmates of the charitable institutions of the state and of J. J. Klenda Marion Co., Kansas, Load steers.. the counties receive great benefits, but are wholly unable to pay taxes in H. Thompson, Republic Co., Kansas, Steers ...

proportion to the benefits received. 2. Very often the benefits of government are different or impossible Emil Stroede, Ellsworth Co., Kansas, Stock steers... of apportionment. Under a property tax for roads, who (and how) would determine exactly the apportionment of benefits received by each owner Moyer Bros., Dickinson Co., Kansas, Load yearlings (resident and nonresident) of every auto, wagon, truck, tractor, trailer, Purl Young, Osage Co., Kansas, Baby beeves ... machine, and head of livestock that used the road, and including pedes- Paul Hoesch, Hunley, Nebraska, Heifers.... trians? How difficult would it be to apportion the school tax in proportion J. W. Davis, Chester, Nebraska, Yearlings... to benefits received, direct and indirect. In proportion to benefits re- Oberle Bros., Osage Co., Kansas, 26 yearlings... ceived, who would pay the cost of quarantine against small pox? Who Oberle Bros., Osage Co., Kansas, 15 yearlings could guess a year or so ahead who would catch the disease and who would Geo. W. Pray, Dickinson Co., Kansas, Baby beeves. not in case there were no quarantine? Who can determine today who will J. W. Davis, Chester, Nebraska, Heifers..... need police protection tomorrow or this year, and how much, so that the tax Paul Hoesch Hunley, Nebraska, Car yearlings

may be apportioned in proportion to benefits received? Then when we consider the multitude of uses to which general tax money is put, we may see how difficult would be the problem of apportioning a tax for general purposes in accordance with benefits received. There Emil Anderson, Republic Co., Kansas, Heifers. is no way to measure past benefits received, in dollars and cents, much less future benefits. So taxes cannot be levied in proportion to benefits re-

ceived except in the case of some special taxes. So political economists have agreed to the principle of levying taxes inMcPherson, Kansas proportion to ability to pay. This is just, because those who have the great-...Blue Mound, Kansas est ability to pay, have in a general way received the greatest benefits of government. And there is a way to measure ability to pay-correct and easily applied-so that the tax can be quickly determined in money. That measure is net income. Hence we see why ability to pay and not benefits received, is the correct principle of taxation.

OUR BENEVOLENT GRAIN EXCHANGES!

Quite an effort is now being made to enlarge upon the advantages of the grain exchanges to grain producers. These exchanges are now being pictured by their champions as benevolent institutions rendering an invaluable service to farmers as well as to elevator companies, grain dealers and

The farmers of Western Canada are now being told because of the operations of the grain exchanges they get better prices for their grain. This is an entirely different story to what supporters of the grain exchanges tell consumers of bread in importing countries. At a public meeting in London, England, about a year ago, Lord Crawford, who served on the grain purchasing board for Great Britain during the world war, stated: "In my opinion, year in and year out, the gambling in the grain in Chicago probably tends to reduce the price to the consumer in England." He was supported in this statement by Sir Herbert Robson, the well-known London and Liverpool wheat trader, who is also a director of the Baltic exchange. Lord nish lunch at noon and hope that every agent will enjoy at least one meal Crawford said further: "When a dozen grain merchants are in and out of with us during this series of meetings. he market nobody knows what is going on and people gamble and lost and Britain on the whole gets its grain cheaper as a consequence"

grain because of the operations of the grain exchanges while in England the people are told that they get their grain cheaper because of the operation of the grain exchanges. The crux of the question is as Lord Crawford so aptly put it: "Nobody knows what is going on."-U. F. A.

TO THE MEMBERSHIP

By John A. Simpson, President, National Farmers' Union .Wisconsin Meetings

Since my last letter I spent a week among the membership in Wisconsin, the State Official Family and Brother F. Schultheiss, Member of the National Board had billed eleven meetings and we made every one of them. The weather was beautiful, the crowds large and the interest very great. The Union in Wisconsin, so far as the state organization is concerned, is less than a year old, but it promises to come into the next national convention, right at the top of the list, in number of members. I never worked harder nor enjoyed a week more than this one with our new Brothers and Sisters in the State of Wisconsin.

Washington Conference

From the Wisconsin meetings I went to Washington, D. C., where I attended a conference of the progressive minded people of the United States. This conference was called by Senator George W. Norris, as chairman of a committee of forward looking Senators and Congressmen. I think there must have been about three hundred in attendance, about one hundred of whom are members of the House and Senate in the United States Congress. for the next congress and for a concerted movement to obtain concessions from both old parties in their 1932 national convention. Brother Mile Reno of Iowa and I represented the Farmer's Union. I feel that the conference

Frazier Loan Plan Senator Frazier of North Dakota, has introduced a bill in the United States Senate that provides for refinancing farm loans. It would have the government do this at a two and a half percent interest rate with one and a half percent to be paid on the principal each year. I think this figures the payment in full of a loan in a little less than twenty-five years and while the farmer is paying off the loan it is only costing him four percent for

his payment on principal and interest. While this is not the real cure for the ills of the farmer, such a law would be a real help in his struggle to save his farm from foreclosure. If this bill should become a law it would reduce what the farmers now have to pay in interest on farm mortgages each year, more than five hundred his successor shall be elected from the million dollars. It would also stretch the time of payment of principal out over so many years, that there would be thousands of farmers able to hold

To you Editors of Farmer Union papers I am enclosing a copy of Senator Frazier's Bill, which I hope you will read if you have not already done so, and comment at length on it.

their farms while under the present five and ten year term, they are abso-

I am writing this Friday, March the 13th, just before embarking fo Rome, Italy, where I am an official delegate from the United States in a world-wide wheat conference, that begins there March the 23rd. After the conference has concluded I shall study cooperatives in Denmark and Ireland, returning home about May 1st.

F. U. LIVESTOCK & ARKETING NOTES

After declining 25 to 50 cents Monday fat steers have reacted and regained practically all the loss. The medium and plainer kinds, in fact, are closing fully steady with last week while the better grades are around

Fat cows and heifers were steady to 25c lower Monday, but since then they have sold a little higher from day to day, and are closing up for the week steady to 25c lower over last week. Bulk of the fed heifers are bringof choice light weight heifers at \$8.50—the week's top. We, also topped the market on mixed yearlings at \$9. Our cow market has held about steady that Indians sometimes dry them and ing from \$7 to \$7.50, with a practical top of \$8, although we sold one bunch for the week although the edge today is off on the better grades of havyweights; the kind that had been bringing around \$6. Canners bringing \$2.75 to \$3. Cutters \$3.50 to \$4.25, with the bulk of the killing cows selling from \$4.50 to \$5.50 and a few odd head up to \$6.

Calf market is 50e to \$1.00 lower for the week, with practically all of which is forging steadily shead. The

the decline shown on veals. The most of our good veals are bringing from KANSAS UNION FARMER \$7 down, with strictly fancy ones up to \$8. An unusual situation right now There are a few who claim that the right principle of taxation is, that is that medium and heavyweight killing calves are selling are fully as much Herewith are listed some of the cattle sales in the Farmers Union pens

> this week: W. H. Pierson, Pottawatomie Co., Kansas, Steers 1321 8.15 1033 1140 7.75 840 7.50 7.50 1125 1144 7.00 1080 7.00 Jewell & Brant, Ft. Morgan, Colorado, 3 loads steers ... 7.00 (Butcher Alley) 600 830 672 615 690 Edward Stegeman, Dickinson Co., Kansas, 69 heifers. Albert Bostock, Ayr, Nebraska, 38 yearlings 861 C. A. Martz, Bates Co., Missouri, Heifers ... Elmer Moore, Shawnee Co., Kansas, Heifers Ernest Steifel, Saline Co. Kansas, 25 heifers... 840 C. J. Chambers, Geary Co., Kansas, Cows and heifers... Emil Stroede, Ellsworth Co., Kansas, Stock heifers.

8.50

8.25 ARKANA, ARKANSAS. 8.00 8.00 8.00 7.60 7.55 7.25 7.10 7.00 6.65 6.00

THE INSURANCE CORNER

By CHARLES A. BROOM, Secretary

The following are the dates and meeting places for the next series

Thursday, April 2nd, Erie, I. O. O. F. Hall. Friday, April 3rd, Ottawa, North American Hotel. Tuesday, April 7th, Osborne, Osborne County Farmers Union.

Wednesday, April 8th, Norton, Court House. Thursday, April 9th, Oakley, Kaufman Hotel. Tuesday, April 14th, Clay Center, (Meeting place in next week's issue.)

Wednesday, April 15th, Holton, City Hotel. Thursday, April 16th, Strong City, Ryan Hotel. Tuesday, April 21st, LaCrosse, Commodore Hotel. Wednesday, April 22nd, Stafford, Directors' Room, Farmers Bank.

Members:

Real Estate

Accounts receivable

Thursday, April 23rd, Wichita, Broadview Hotel. Wednesday, April 29th, Salina, Insurance office. All these meetings will begin at ten o'clock in the morning, and will ontinue through until three or four o'clock in the afternoon. We will fur-

We wish every agent would bring his rate book and automobile manua if he has one and any quesion that is bothering him. We will have our So in Western Canada farmers are told that they get more for their troubles along with us and will see if each side can make an even trade. We are printing a financial statement of the fire company this week.

FIRE COMPANY Comparative Statement December 31, 1929 15064 December 31, 1930. 15334

Gain dmitted Assets: December 31, 1929 \$270,966,60 December 31, 1930 279,645.20 8,687.60 INANCIAL STATEMENT: Assets: \$133,227.79 Mortgage Loans Bonds 33,400.00 Warrants 1.835.00 Cash in banks 17,228.73

Jobbing Ass'n stock 569.97 All other assets 4.338.30 Premium Notes 79,800.45

Total Assets Liabilities: Unadjusted Losses 3,886.60 Current Bills 331.43 Legal Reserve 276,671.75

Total Liabilities

TRANS-MISSOURI KANSAS membership of the Council. At each annual meeting, the retiring Presi-dent automatically becomes an honor-ary member of the Council. This suggestion is made so that the incoming President will be fully informed and have a clear vision of the background of the work of the Council. 18. A majority of members present at any meeting shall constitute a quo-

NEW NAME FOR COLLEGE

(continued from page 1)
The new name of this college means great deal to western Kansas. The young men and women of the west-ern half of the state are now in a po-sition where they can secure their educational needs without going to a state university or similar institution because Fort Hays Kansas State Col-lege now gives the same degree as would be obtained elsewhere and the courses offered are practically the

FACTS OF INTEREST

Fish as Candles? Certainly, some of them, sometimes. Oulachons, small oily fish taken in British Columbia use them as candles. Canada's Poultry Industry Forges

Canada's poultry industry is one

poultry population of hens and chick-SHIPPERS BOARD MEETS ens for 1930 numbered 56,247,000. This represents an increase of one million trast with the total of 12,696,701 of 1891. Present indications are that Canada's poultry population for the present year will be practically five oil mills, it is run out of the ships oil mills, it is run out of the ships times what it was forty years ago.

\$363,792.95

86.664.79

6,732.93

A SHORT STORY

"I know the evidence is strongly against my innocence but I have \$50,

payment of Murphy's life insurance?"
"It is," answered Mrs. Murphy.
"Well, now, a word in your ear,"
said Duffy. "Sure ye can snap your
fingers at the fellow today."

NOT SO CRAZY

Wifie: If I should die, what would ou do?

Hubby: I'd almost go crazy. Wifie: Would you marry again? Hubby: No, I wouldn't go as erazy

MISCELLANEOUS THE ELMO FARMERS UNION will receive scaled bids for their 42,000 bushes elevator up to April 15th. The directors reserving the right to accept or reject any or all offers. Address F. L. Lockard, Secretary, Dillon, Kans.

bunch fifty, mossed, labeled with variety name. Early Jersey Wakefield, Charlesten Wakefield, Succession, Copenhagen, Early Dutch, Late Dutch, Postpaid: 200, 51.00; 500, 51.25; 1,000, 52.00; 2566, 34.50. Express Collect: 2500, 32.50. Onlons Prizetaker, Crystal Wax and Yellow Bermuda, Postpaid, 500, 75c; 1,000, 31.25; 6,000, 36.00. Express Collect: 6,000, 34.50. Full count, prompt shipment, safe arrival, satisfaction guaranteed. Write for Catalogue. UNION PLANT COMPANY, TEXARKANSA

PLANTS—Write for beautiful catalog of Cabbage, Onion, Tomato, Lettuce an Pepper plants. Davis Plant Co., Tiften

RED CLOVER, \$10; Alsike, \$10; Alfalfa, \$8; White Sweet Clover, \$3.90; Timothy, \$4.50; Mixed Alsike and Timothy, \$5.50; Yellow Soy Beans, \$1.50; Sudan Grass \$3.40; Amber Cane, \$1.25; all per bushel, Bags free, Samples and catalog upon request, STANDARD SEED CO, 21 East Fifth St., Kansas City, Missouri. THREE DIFFERENT VARIETIES
Drouth Resistant Fragrant Pink Iris, labeled and postpaid only twenty-five cents. Circular valuable information Free. A. B. Katkamier, Macedon, New York.

BERMUDA ONION AND FROSTPROOF Cabbage Plants, 500-50c, 1000-75c; 6,000 onions \$2.70, 6,000 Cabbage \$2.00, F, O, B. Tulsa, Okla. J. H. Sayle.

CAN SUPPLY ANYTHING in the Nursery Line at Prices to Meet Present Conditions. Twelve different kinds of Evergreens, Kansas grown. We Do Landscaping, if you have a job not less than \$30.00 will Call at Your Request and Nurseries, David Lindquist, Prop. (Member of Farmers Union).

Give Plans, Free of Charge.—Lindsborg

LUMBER

GOING TO BUILD? Will sell Consumers direct. Send list for delivered prices.

J. F. Jacobson Lumber Co., Tacoma, Washington.

ALFALFA SEED

Hardy Type Common Variety
Per bushel \$6.50, \$8.40, \$10.20, \$11.40.
Grimm Variety Alfalfa Seed, \$14.00,
\$16.80, \$18.00: Unhulled White Sweet
Clover Seed, \$1.90: Hulled or Scarified,
\$3.90, \$4.50, \$5.40; Medium Red Clover,
\$11.40: Alsike Clover, \$10.80. Bars Free.
Write today for Samples, 40 Page Catalogue, Lowest Prices, All Kinds Farm
and Garden Seeds.
KANSAS SEED CO., SALINA, KANS. WHITE SEED CORN. Grown since 1882. Pink Kaffir. Charles Thomas, Zurich,

ALFALFA SEED Kansas or Utah grown, hardy types \$7.00, \$9.00, \$11.00; Grimma variety aifalfa \$12.00, \$14.00, \$16.00. Sweet clover \$4.20, \$5.00; Alsike clover \$10.50; Red Clover, \$10.50 all per bushel of 60 pounds, bags free. Write for samples and prices on other farm seeds. Salina Seed Co., Salina, Kans.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY Whereas God in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to call from our midst the mother-in-law of our brother, Mr. Fred Eggleston, we the members of Number 10 Local No. 1036, wish to extend our sympathy to the bereaved.

Merie Hobson
Pearl Flory.

Vilo Butell, Committee.

"OLEO" CONTENT NOT FROM FARM

Now what is oleomargarine? How is it made? Does any man want to feed his children on it? Let's see.

Oleomargarines are made from skimmed milk, cocoanut oil, or tallow, and salt. The main ingredient is skimmed milk, which has no fat or life sustaining substances.

Now let's look into the other ingredients. Many margarines are advertised as "white meat of the cocoanut". Cocoanut oil such as used in American cleo is made from copra. Copra is dried cocoanut meat, but let us see the conditions of this stuff be-fore it is refined.

Copra comes from the Philippine Islands. The cocoanuts fall from the trees, are broken open and the meat \$280,889.78 dried in heaps under tropical suns. 82,903.17 This is called copra.

When dry, copra looks and smells like stable manure, or worse. When the stuff is ready for shipment swarms of half naked Malays load it on ships, tramping it in the holds of the vessels with bare feet. An army of naked Malays sweating under tropical heat, tramping copra that is

with conveyors. Generally it is piled up in the open air where it attracts millions of flies and looks exactly like piles of stable manure and smells a darned sight worse.

"I know the evidence is strongly against my innocence but I have \$50,-000 to fight the case."

"As your attorney I assure you that you'll never go to prison with that amount of money."

And he didn't—he went there broke.—Pathfinder.

THE BLARNEY

Murphy had been careless in handling the blasting powder in the quarry and Duffy had been deputed to break the news gently to the widow.

"Mrs. Murphy," said he, "isn't it today the fellow calls for the weekly payment of Murphy's life insurance?"

a darned sight worse.

The compost is then ground and pressed between steam heated roll-pressed between steam heated roll-p pounds of oleo:

51 pounds salt

\$47.90

(This article was received by C. M. Reeve, Mgr. Koesaqua Co-Operative Creamery Association, in a letter from, Hutton and Jenks, Bancroft, Iowa, clipped from Grange News, official organ of the Washington State Grange.)



Funior Co-operators Aunt Patience

Billy Carr—85.
Ralph Baldwin—99.
Gergine Berger—90.
Amelia Berger—90.
Dorothy Lute—90.
Verna Lute—92.
Lulu Lowe—95.
Macel Wilhelm—98.
Faye Wilhelm—98.
Wallace Grieve—95.
Ethelreda Smith—100.
Reta Gaughan—85.
Midred Sedlocek—98.
Jean Aksamit—90.
Agnes Aksamit—90.

Dear Junior Cobperators:

There seems to be some confusion

in the minds of some of you, as to our

last lesson. Instead of our usual les-

Best Help Their Local Unions?" The

Box 48, Salina, Kansas", just as your lessons always are, and I will forward

them to our Junior Instructor who will grade and judge them.

members this week-I've letters from

a good may more but had no room to

like him very much. I am so busy that

I cannot send in my lesson. My birth-

day is on October 15, 1931. And I am

eleven years old. I should like to hear

Yours truly,

Enterprise, Kans., Mar. 13, 1931.

Elsie's birthday March 11, 1931. You

did not have your letters in the paper

this week. I am writing on my Christ-

mas paper. I don't know much to say.

two letters from my twins already. My hand is getting tired of writing. I wish I was at school now but I am

not. Elsie and Alice are planning out something but they won't tell

Alice said "oh! Elsie Jo wait a min-

tig big because I got too little of

Your niece,

mother belong to the Farmers Un-

Your friend,

Your friends,

ion. I want a book and pin.

study hard.

Mavis Fellers.

Maxine Ames.

Dorothy Ames.

paper. I will close.

Helen Boyer

Your friend, Clara, Hamrdla.

from my twin if there is any.

P. S.: Please send me a pin.

AUNT PATIENCE.

Morland, Kans.

I was glad to see so many

Dear Aunt Patience:

HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THIS DEPARTMENT Any boy or girl between the ages of six and sixteen, whose father is a has been destroyed. I'm sure sorry member in good standing of the Farmers' Union, who writes a letter for but I'm writing an essay for this publication, can be a member of this department, and is entitled to a pin. In order to receive a book, he must signify his intentions to study the lessons and send them in. We cannot send out books to those who do not intend to send their lessons. The address to which all Juniors should send their letters is: Aunt Patience in care of the KANSAS UNION FARMER, Salina, Kansas.

JUNIOR COOPERATORS

Dear Juniors—
At last we have the grades ready for you. It has been a long tedious task grading them, but a joyful one for all that, as I surely was delighted to find you had all done such good work.

Mary Nicolay—90.
Cleta Brucker—95.
Mildred Stutsman—93.
Margret DeWard—99.
Helen Millmen—95.
Elsie Long—98.
Neva Lingle—92.
Adlaide Roth—90.
Edna Vanteyl—91.
Margaret Zimmerman—Ruth Robinson—87.
Dominie Schmidt—90.
Thecka Schmidt—90.
Helen Moore—94.
Lena Sanders—94.
Wayne Rudolph—95.
Angela Sanders—90.
Mary Hazel—92
Billy Carr—85.
Ralph Baldwin—99. The papers showed a thoroughness as well as masterfulness in handling the subjects assigned.

I do not think to take the lessons as a whole that I ever had pupils in school do better work. I have the greatest faith, also hope in the future of the Junior Cooperator movement if you will apply yourself in future as you have in the past to the task

Juniors, hold fast, do not drop out, and I doubt not that at the next convention a means will be found to better finance this department and that there will be those given charge who will give you a department far more interesting than we have been able to do just snatching the little time from other tasks to devote to this depart-

for your department.

Sincerely Junior Instructor. THE GRADES

You will find that Fern Barrett and Kathleen Rudolph have tied for first

Albert Forslund second and Sarah Crowl third. They will each receive prizes with most lessons done.

Those coming in the next group did next highest number of lessons. The next group the next highest number

who did four lessons or less. I have not tried to arrange the names alpabhetically nor highest in grade first as I came to them in the different groups. Juniors, if there is anything you think should be cor-

rected please let me know. There were a number of without names signed. This is just years of age. I like to go to school. I send me a pin and a book. To proper credit, a fact for which I am live about one mile from school. For er's name is Miss Opal, I am 10 years

very sorry.
Thanking you for work well done, am your tired but happy Junior Instructor.

Albert Forslund—94. Sarah Crowl—92.3. Mabel Forslund—99. Pearl Hanson—95.5. Opal Hanson—95.5. Elenore Hanson—96.

Harry Samuelson—96.2. Helen Centilver—97. Theresa Weber—93. Margaret McGowen—98.6. Leila Leive—90.4. Marthella Snodgrass—92.4.

Kenneth Fink—99.5.
Mable Schmit—98.
Carl Cornell—95.7.
Léla Seibert—95.2.
Irène Scheller—96.7.
Lée Bévins—98.2.
Ruby Baldwin—94.
Bernadine Svoboda—93.5.
Amelia Miller—94.5.

Junior Rudolph—93.6.
Evelyn Schick—94.6.
Tabea Fabrizius—90.
Mary Churchbaugh—93.6.
Mary Herniger—97.
Alace Scott—97.6.
Opal Baldwin—93.6.
Violet Bux—96.3.
Nadine Prescott—93.6.
Betta McLucus—94.
Helen Herren—85.
Willes Herren—85.
Uriginia Gabelman—92.6.
Maxine Snodgrass—90.6. Maxine Snodgrass—90.6.

Blair Watkinson—97.5, Evelyn Newell—95.
Archie Crowl—86.
Mable Brooks—92.5.
June Cork—87.3.
Geneva Dixon—93.6.
Arline Robertson—92.4.
Mina Lingle—93.2.
Albert Herman—91.
Oran Travelute—93.1.
George Smerchek—96.
Claraco Hamm—92.
Clara Oison—90.
Katherine Toothacker—90.
Katherine Weber—94.5.
Geraldine Spohn—96.
Mary Wells—87.
Helen Morris—94.7.
Grace Beamen—90.
August Linch—97.5.
Ermintina Miller—90.
Ruth Brenzekofer—95.
Jean Longhudge—92.5.
Dale Grabner—95.
Irene Mather—97.
Sisse Shaffer—98.
Grable—98.
Norval DeWard—97.
Sisse Shaffer—98.
Forence Sanders—90.
Ruth McCohn—96.
Florence Sanders—90.
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Florence Sanders—90.
Ruth McCohn—95.
Revelyn Mathles—90.
Donald Miller—97.
Raiph Ruby—98.
Emma Torkelson—90.
Dean Settles—99.
Opal Weinhold—95.
Ray Shearer—85.
Arneilla Schmidt—95.
Doris Brenn—92.
Ada: Baldwin—90.
Irene Martin—100.
Maxine Ritgers—95.
Evelyn Svoboda—96.
Edith McDuff—98.
Margret Beeler—90.
Evelyn Kirkland—80.
Laverne Panlter—75.
Revophine Herman—97.
Charley Reed—85.
Isabelle Herman—97. Blair Watkinson-97.5.

hyth Johnson—95. evophine Herman—96. harley Reed—85. sabelle Herman—99. liste Lilley—99. leva Hale—90. da Replohe—95.

Rydal, Kans., March '16, 1931. Dear Aunt Patience: I am in the ourth grade at school. I am ten years old. My father and mother are members of the Farmers Union. I thought I would write and tell you that I wanted a book and a pin. I will Your friend, Junior Ames.

Argonia, Kans., March 2, 1931 Dear Aunt Patience: I'm some nember, am I not? I haven't written you a scratch. I'm sure sorry I never got either of the two lessons in but we never had the right papers. They lesson. You know, I sure am forgetletters from more of the members. I am now corresponding with a girl

I am now consider the state of the state of

McCracken, Kans., Mar. 4, 1931 Dear Aunt Patience: I would like to join the Farmers Union Club. I am 12 years old and in the sixth grade. My birthday is Feb. 10th. Please send me a book and pin.

So good-bye. Yours truly, Eugene Werth, Box 31. Care of Jacob Randa.

McCracken, Kans., Mar. 4, 1931. to join the Farmers Union Club. I am 13 years old and in the fifth grade, my birthday is August 4th. Please send me a book and pin. So good-bye. Yours truly, Celestina Randa. Care of Jacob Randa.

paper and the writers of the three best, will receive small prizes. The essays are to be sent to "Aunt Patience, close because the clock struck 10." In the mine and the writers of the three best, will receive small prizes. The essays are to be sent to "Aunt Patience, close because the clock struck 10." In the mine and the writers of the three best, will receive small prizes. The essays are to be sent to "Aunt Patience, close because the clock struck 10." says are to be sent to "Aunt Patience, close because the clock struck 10. Cyrille Fountain.

Hays, Kans., Mar. 17, 1931. Dear Aunt Patience: The weather is quite cool. It could be a little warmer but I guess it is good enough. Those in the fifth group are those might get a prize! And don't forget to include a letter with a le you very much. My birthday is May 6th. Your Junior Cooperator,

Marcus E. Pfeifer. R. F. D. No. 2, Box 14. March 11, 1931

Williamsburg, Kens., Mar. 10, 1931. Dear Aunt Patience: My sister I am in the Fifth grade and am ten wants me to join your club. Please pets, I have two horses and one cow. old April 10. Have I a twin? We The horses' names are Sally and Dig. had our examinations today. The cow's name is Bob. I have four Yours truly, brothers. Their names are John, Anton, Mick and Pete. My teacher's name is Mr. George J. Rickmeier. I

Stanley Davis. Schoenchen, Kans., Mar. 6, 1931 Dear Aunt Patience: How are you feeling? I am feeling well. This is my first letter I am writing to you. I would like to join this club. My father is a member of the Farmers Union. My birthday is January 15. Have I a twin? I am in the seventh grade. I will always send in my letters. Please

send me a book and pin.
I'll have to close my letter; so Timken, Kansas. Dear Aunt Patience: How are you? Sincerely yours, good-bye. I am feeling fine. I want to be a member of the Junior Cooperator's Club. Marcella Dinges. For pets I have a dog, cat, a chicken, Care of Albert Dinges.

Rydal, Kans., Mar. 7, 1931 Dear Aunt Patience: How is the weather there? just had a snow storm. We have lots Dear Aunt Patience: I thought I of fun with our sled. would write you a few lines. It was We moved last wee We moved last week, so we go t

My sister and I got our books and pins. But we didn't get our lessons and haven't seen any lessons in the It is ten minutes till 9 o'clock. I got paper. We didn't know who to send the

essay to, so I thought I would send Yours truly, it to you. Mabel Woodka.

Morland, Kans., Mar. 7, 1931 ute." They think I am writing to Aunt Dear Aunt Patience: I would ike Selma. I have a lot of fun in school. to become a member of your club. I I like spelling best in school. I don't am in the third grade and ten years like geography. In my examinations I got 86 in geography, 97 in English, 81 in reading, 85 in physiology. In writing, 92, in spelling, 89, in arithmetic I got 95. That is all I got in examinations. My average was 89 examinations. My average was 89. much. Please send me a pin and book. The teacher is good to me. I will try to send in my lessons. This paper is so little that I can't write much. My letter won't be get-

Yours truly, Richard Appelhans.

Yours truly, Mabel Forslond. P. S.: I don't know how to write the essays. Please tell me how. Axtell, Kans., March 11, 1931. Dear Aunt Patience: I am sending

in my first lesson. I hope I am not Please send me a pin and book. I I received my book and pin and I think they are very nice. Thank you will send my lessons in all the time. I like your pin very much. So I Sincerely yours, Milburga Rohr. will close. I saw our membership roll was quite large but I hope it is longer next time it is printed.

Osage City, Kans., Mar. 7, 1931. Dear Aunt Patience: I am sending n my March lesson.

Rydal, Kans., March 16, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: I am in the sixth grade at school. I am twelve years old May 12th. My father and Theole for 12.

Theole for 12 are naving a blizzard here. The My birthday is September 12.

Theole for 12 are naving a blizzard here. The My birthday is September 12. We are having a blizzard here. The Thanks for the pin. It sure pretty. The notebook is nice too. Well, I must close.

Your friend, Wilda Nichols,

Rydal, Kans., March 16, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: I am in the third grade at school. I am eight years old but will be nine years old years old but will be nine years old years at the My father and mother be-May 4th. My father and mother belong to the Farmers Union. I would like to have a book and pin. I would getting so anxious to see them. Sincerely, J. H. Neff.

Ladies' Auxiliary

Some good slogans are coming in er to intrude into the foreground of which is encouraging. Keep sending the organization, but as the good wife them, let's make the judges earn their is a complement to her husband, ever money looking them over.

This week we have the State President of the Auxiliary with us in a splendid article discussing:

Teady to help to complete and fulfill any program that he may map out, so I repeat that the Auxiliary can under the right conditions work very

Our Part In the Regular Meetings of the Farmers Union Local

I believe this subject might be discussed from several different angles. However, discussing it from different points of view might overlap subjects

The Fight Conditions with the fighter of the good of the order. Let me say again that in order for an Auxiliary to function at the highest efficiency it is absolutely necessary that the majority at least of the Local ladies be sold on the Auxiliary. assigned to other members for con-

sideration. I choose to treat the subject from the one angle, supposing that the Auxiliary is an established fact and accepted by the Local Ladies and complete cooperation has been estab-

As most of the Ladies of the Local Auxuliary having been farm born and farm raised, it will hardly be necessary for me to call to your attention the fact that up to the present time on most farms there has been little if any effort to budget time because of seasons of rush time and seasons of slack time. There never has been definite hours for labor and definite hours for leisure or relaxaiton. Because Dear Aunt Patience: I would like tion under which the average farmer must live, he has very little time or opportunity for working in groups. Therefore, when the average group of farmers meet for their regular meet-ing of the Local, in the majority of cases, there has been little effort Hill City, Kans., Mar. 16, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: I have received this word definite, as I feel that the farmer must be able to assert himself Have faith, Juniors, keep up the lesson, Instead of our usual lesson, write to Aunt Patience and to each other and a better day will come and essay on "How Can The Juniors Lottie Bird. This is her third year right here is where a Ladies Auxiliary of the contraction of the contra for us and I hope she teaches ext working in complete accord could be essay is not to contain more than about three hundred words, the five best essays are to be published in the best essays are to be publ

for the next meeting. A committee is appointed, some resolutions are adoptd and various problems are discussed, but after going home in the majority of cases the committee works along under a handicap doing well perhaps considering the isolation of the homes. But if the ladies of the Local are members of the Auxiliary or at least friendly to it they have a wonderful opportunity to fill in this at the regular afternoon meetings. Here the different committees may have time to discuss plans or programs, clip articles from the paper that would be of especial interest and

see that they are brought to the atention of the local and discuss social problems. In fact, get a lot of things boiled down and in shape to be acted upon at the regular meeting of the Local without such action by the ladies the Local in many instances would not find time for. The word Auxuliary means to help to assist to complete so we might conclude with the thought, a Ladies Auxiliary is a tire mission of the Auxiliary is to depends on the membership. complete or help to carry out the original plans of the Local Union, nev-

Fontana, Kans., Mar. 6, 1931. are in the Province of Saskatchewan.

Dear Aunt Patience: How are you?
I am fine. I received my book and pin. I sure think they are nice, thanks so much. I am in the fifth grade and had a highlight February 24 and I success. For the year ended Japuary had a birthday February 24, and I was 10: I weigh 77 pounds. I like school. For pets I have three kittens and one little calf. I haven't found port of \$812,000, according to the report of \$812,000 my twin yet but will keep looking. quith, Sask., who was president last year. The business in 1930 showed Mildred Hodgson. an increase of nine per cent over the 1929 and 64 per cent over 1928. Last

Lebanon, Kans., March 19, 1931. Dear Aunt Patience: How are you? I am sending in my lesson. In my last letter I didn't send in my birthday so here it is. December 29. I am now 13 years old.

That is all for this time.

The weather is great here. I have only four more weeks school left. Is my essay right or wrong? I didn't quite understand what we were to write about. I don't think I have the lesson quite right but it is what I wrote.
Well, I can't think of anything else

so will sign off. Leroy Kildog. P. S. I am writing on this paper be cause I haven't any other.

Schoenchen, Kansas Nov. 18, 1931

Dear Aunt Patience: Morland, Kans., Mar. 9, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: I would like to join the Kansas Farmers Union Club. My father is a member of the Farmers Union.

Bear Aunt Patience:

How are you? I am just fine. I are 12 years old. My birthday is May 18. Have I a twin? I have only one sister and she joined the culb too. I go to the St. Anthony's school. My sister's name is Sister Agree Losenth. I am 12 years old and in the fifth grade. I go to Star school, I like my teacher very much, Her name is Lula Ninemire.

Yours truly, Victor Dinges Maple Hill Kans.

March 9, 1931

Dear Aunt Patience: I would like to join the good old Farmers Union club. I will send my lessons in. My father is a member o the Farmers Union. I am ten years old. My birthday is Jan. 16. Have I a twin? I have three sisters and no brothers. Their names are Irma, seven years old; Elizabeth, four; and Lois two. Elizabeth had the infantile paralysis. I read about a little girl that was in the hospital with it. My letter is getting long, so will close.

A new member, Mary Fanerback P. S. I saw your membership roll. Please send my book and pin.

WOMEN IN BIG BUSINESS

Regina, Saskatchewan.—Are women capable of operating a big business? They have demonstrated that they

ready to help to complete and fulfill

One way we can help is to make the Auxiliary so attractive the ladies will want to join us. The hostess invites friends who are friendly to the Auxiliary and makes them want to join, then their hus-bands will wake up and want to join

It is almost a calamity where most

Past experience has painfully taught us that this condition has been the source of friction rather than to

We realize that any new thing must first be gotten across to the member-ship and this I believe would be a fine of this condition peculiar to agricul-ture alone and because of the isola-tion under which the average farmer of the organized women of the farm, Progressive Economic Equality with other groups can never be accom-plished until every woman of the farm awakens to the fact that she has a definite place in the program of comade for concerted action of any kind operation, as well as a duty to other groups of society. Social and Econom ic equality can never come to the farm

Up in the morning at four o'clock An hour ahead of the Plymouth Rock; Breakfast to get, the eggs to turn. A farmer's wife her salt does earn. Dishes to wash, the bread to set. The beds to make, rock the bassinet; The floor to sweep and then to mop,
Keeps her going without a stop;
Lunch to pack for kiddies three,
Who skin army in childien place Who skip away in childish glee; The baby to bathe, bread to knead, The carrots to hoe, the onions to weed Butter to churn, a pie to bake; succeed in business. Hush! There! The baby's awake! Dinner to get for hungry men Whose appetites thrive on oxygen; Spuds to peel, meat to fry, Gracious, how that boy does cry! Oh, well! Between the dawn and set

gap of distance between farm homes The same old round, same work to do, It's a great old life, if one's got grit, For oftentimes you'll want to quit. MRS. DELLA GUFFEY, State President of Auxiliary.

Yes indeed "It's a great old life in one's got grit. For often times you'll want to quit," but after all we can't quit, too much of the future welfare of our farm homes depeds on how we do our part in this great movement. Next week we have another article from one of our capable members. Watch for it.

We thank Mrs. Guffey for her conribution this week. Come again, Mrs. complement to the Local and the en- Guffey. The future of the Auxiliary Don't forget to send in your slogans. E. L. BULLARD.

year 277 carloads of eggs and poultry were marketed. All the members of the pool are farmers and farmers' wives and daughters. It is a cooperative organization. This year's president is Mrs.

N. Morrison, of Spalding, Sask.



6446. Girls' Dress.
Cut in 4 Sizes: 6, 8, 10, and
12 years. A 10 year size requires 2½ yards of 36 inch
material. For collar and cuffs
of contrasting material ½ yard
is required 36 inches wide. Price

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Designed in Sises: 16, 18 and
20 years. A 20 year size requires 5½ yards of 35 inch material. For bow and belt of contrasting material % yard is required, cut crosswise. Bow of
ribbon requires 1½ yard, Price



COOPERATIVE OIL NEWS HOWARD A. COWDEN,

PRESIDENT

BULK STATION EQUIPMENT TO MORELAND, KANSAS

an order for complete Union bulk at tion equipment, and expect to install this new department very soon.

ENORMOUS MARKETING

It costs more to deliver gasoline from the refinery to the consumer than it costs to produce the gasoline at the refinery. Recent figures which have been issued indicate that this marketing cost is approximately twice the cost of production, and indicates that there is a tremendous waste in the marketing of petroleum

To eliminate this waste on the prolucts they use is the chief reason that onsumers operate their own Cooperative Oil Companies. The substantial savings they have been able to make ndicate that they have been rendering themselves a very real service.

ANOTHER RECORD DAY

The Union Oil Company received orders for enough gasoline, kerosene and distillate one day last week to and distillate one day last week to supply the average Cooperative Oil Company a whole year. The volume which the company is handling is showing a splendid increase. One of the reasons is because Union Certified has established a reputation to make satisfied customers.

The farmers in the Gien Eiger, Kansas, territory will soon be buying gasoline and oil from themselves—they will be patronizing their own Cooperative Oil Company. The Union Oil Company is shipping them their bulk station equipment and it will be othe ground within the next few days.

"My boy," said the business man to his son," there are two things that are of vital necessity if you are to

"Honesty and sagacity."
"What is honesty?" "Always—no matter what happens, nor how adversely it may affect you -always keep your word once you have given it."

'What are they, dad?"

LOCAL COOPERATIVES BENE-FIT FROM COLLECTIVE BUYING

that territory. By working together it was possible for them to get the benefit of the carload freight, and the carload price on their oil and grease. These savings represent a considerable sum of money, and means that by cooperating and buying their oil cheaper they are reducing the cost of producing their crops.

"REPEAT BUSINESS"

"We always are glad to get reports of the progress of the Union Oil Company," writes Norman Flora, secretary of the Cooperative Oil Company at Quinter, Kansas. He adds, "We are expecting to handle a much larger volume of business this yer,

The cooperative Oil Company at Quinter saved \$8,526.95 for their members, the first five and one-half months they operated. They are exclusive distributors of Union Certified, and as at other points it is proving to be a "repeat business getter", for them.

NEW COOPERATIVE OIL COM-PANY AT GLEN ELDER, KANS.

The farmers in the Glen Elder

"And sagacity?"
"Never give it."—Montreal Star. 666

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The Farmers Union

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1146 Board of Trade Branch Offices 915 United Life Building Saline, Kansas

K. C., Me.

1004 Corby Building St. Joseph, Me.

the township.
The cost of having the gravel laid

ing on whether the road is only a few

Legislative Program

amendment to the constitution.

support for elementary schools.

1. Resolved: that all state

county officers should be 100 per cent

2. Be it further resolved, that there

should not be so much time devoted

to speakers, at our county meetings

Introduced by Andrew Shearer

world wide, and whereas: the unus-

whereas: after many years of agi-tation by farm organizations, con-

gress passed the Federal Farm Mar-

keting act and the president appoint-

ed complimentary thereto, a Federal

Farm Board to carry the matter in-

to execution. And whereas: The

Farm Board as in the line of duty,

has created powerful cooperative

terminal corporations and laid the

ground work for Farmer owned and

Farmer controlled cooperative mar-

the Federal Farm act may not be just

serious effort of the government to

lieve that the Farm act, and Farm

Board, should be sustained recognizing

Farm Board, have had a fair chance

Entertainment program committee

Liberty Local. Speech by Pres. Cal Ward. Piano Reading, by Jean Thom-

as, reading by Irwin Rahe and song

meeting President Sholtz announced

the following committees for our next

meeting which will be held in Marys-

ville. Hall, Conrad F. Crome; dinner,

Mrs. Conrad F. Crome, Florence Koppes and Mrs. Frank Nordhawe;

program, Fred Pralle, A. Pacenda; resolutions, Mr. Glin, Chas. Musil, and Joseph Holly. Good of order, H.

L. Feldhausen, Henry Travelute, and

H. A. Watters. Meeting then adjourn-

ed.—Richard H. Mackey, secretary.

FRANKLIN LOCAL ENTERTAINS

On the evening of March 17 Frank-lin Local No. 1301, Ellsworth county,

family. As we recognize, however, that Lew is a very busy man, we will forgive him this time. The absence of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gregory was

very noticeable due to a death in the

family it was unavoidable.

more favorable conditions.

by Lysle Winkleplek.

keting here because of worldwide caus-

issuing bonds.

on real estate.

Farmer Union.

sholud come first.

REPORT ACTIVITIES OF FARM COMMITTEE

(continued from page 1)
22 which was enacted into a law, we feel that we will save the farmers of Kansas approximaely \$40,000.00 annually in increst during the coming J. E. SHIPPS SAYS DELAYS year on the tax which they might have paid in and not had refunded for a period sometimes in excess of six A brief survey indicates that it will save our co-operative oil 25 present. companies at least \$50,000.00 annually in taxes which they have been required to pay and which they will be unable to collect from the purchaser. We spent more money and devoted perhaps more time to obtain the passage of this measure than any other. We have pledged the support of all of our organizations and ask that you

endorse this action. After the Senate had killed resolution which would have submitted the income tax amendment to the voters again we were very deeply gratified in seeing the Senate pass the House resolution which is practically the same as was formerly submitted if not identical. This together with the passage of the resolution which submits to the people a proposition of limiting tax levies is all the tax legislation we are able to point to as being beneficial to agriculture The value of this last proposition is questionable but we believe it to have a great deal of merit.

The Eighteen-Months Redemption

Law was retained. canceled the charter of any farming corporation found to be illegally chartered. House Bill No. 17 is now a law and provides that no charter shall be issued in the future to farming cor-

Bill No. 451, which provides for compulsory eradication of bindweed, is now a law; but the bindweed seed bill, which prohibited the sale of commercial seed containing bindweed seed, was killed in the Senate.

We are advised that the bill sponsorder by us, providing for the Farmers Union and the State Granges' participation in the meetings of the State Board of Agriculture, has been signed by the Governor.

Bill No. 360, a chain store bill which est move for the future of agriculturwould also have effected our co-operative elevators and stores. Also a dust collector bill which would have permitted warehouses to clean grain that was in the process of being unloaded before it was weighed. Senate Bill No. 4 which provided for the repeal of the present motor vehicle license law, placing it back in the of-fice of the secretary of state and also containing a provision that every truck found to have a load in excess of the Salina, Kansas. rated capacity would be penalized. 10c have increased the gasoline tax to see with further provision which would have resulted in a great many of our counties being excluded from participating in the gasoline tax refund. Also Senate Bill No. 100 which would have been meeting in the coverage and lobbyists of the corporations and there just the same.

Also Senate Bill No. 100 which would have been meeting in the coverage and lobbyists of the corporations and the reason of foresight have been able to of the greedy rich, we demand a uniform the grain supplement, and lobbyists of the corporations and the reason of foresight have been able to of the greedy rich, we demand a uniform tax sufficient to have been meeting in the home. But had fortunes left them, whose incomes pating in the gasoline tax refund. Also Senate Bill No. 100 which would have been meeting in the home. But have been meeting in the coverage and lobbyists of the corporations and done its work until only two spellers of the greedy rich, we demand a uniform tax sufficient to form corporation tax sufficient to raise, at least, enough revenue for state purposes, or to equalize tax and the battle was over. There she allowed the color of the greedy rich, we demand a uniform tax sufficient to form corporation tax sufficient to form corpora have placed the collection of the gas houses will not hold the crowds. tax with the State Auditor and prosame. We also opposed many other thing prevents our meeting we by bills which we thought were not for common consent meet the next Tues-

our best interests. who worked so diligently and earnest- some sort of refreshments. ly with us in the interest of agricul- ess always preparing the drink. We ture, we are going to ask that every generally have some little impromptu farm magazine in the State carry a list of these Senators telling of their work this winter. I also wish to advise you that most of the members of about 45 present. We voted in nine about 45 present. We voted in nine about 45 present. the House were always courteous and new and transfer members and sevaccorded us a great deal more con- en of them were taken in that night. the program committee which consideration than was granted other interests. Also wish to thank Mr. Snyder and Mr. Cogswell for their as- Cary Hodgson, received the new memsistance on tax legislation and other bers in a very creditable manner. Aft- ing was appreciated by a full house important matters. We received very er the regular local session was over A committee of men will serve lunch splendid support from all our farm the meeting was turned over to the at our next regular meeting March leaders and members, for which we refreshment committee. Mesdames are very appreciative.

Respectfully submitted, L. E. WEBB.

"FLIVVER" PLANE READY Machine Will Land or Take Off in Small Area

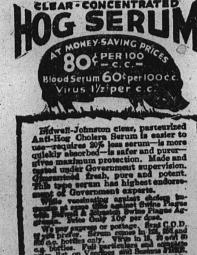
ST. LOUIS, March 17.—And nov comes the "flivver" airplane or at least that is the claim made for it. The Curtiss-Wright "Junior" is constructed to land and take off "in almost anybody's back yard"-or to be A. M. Kinney, exact a space of about five acres. The plane is powered with a 431/2 horsepower "pusher" type motor built just back of pilot and passenger's at the Strong City high school build-

seat. It is a monoplane. It has a cruising speed of 70 miles per hour, a cruising range of 200 miles, a landing speed of 30 miles per hour and a gasoline capacity of 8½ gallons.

SECRETARY KINNEY TO SPEAK AT ANDERSON CO. MEETING

The Anderson County Farmers Union will hold its regular county meeting on March 28th at Springfield school house, four miles southeast of Secretary, A. M. Kinney will attend

this meeting and will speak. LEE SMITH, Sec'y.



- NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES -

ARE COSTLY

Dear Cooperators: On Monday night had a very enthusiastic meeting at Pauline, about

Tuesday at Elevature Local where between 35 and 40 ladies and gentlemen caused me to feel ours is a necessary organization. County President A. R. Swan presided at both meetings and believe me Shawnee county has ger and better organization than ever

before known here. Wednesday night at Meriden where the Sunbeam and Seal Locals of Shaw- may stand in his name. nee county and the Dick and Milligan Locals of Jefferson came together and on to pay any tax above the minimum on the roadway will vary from about with about 35 present. Went on record tax, until there is no person in the \$1.00 to \$2.00 per cubic yard, dependfavoring a campaign for membership. Mr. R. K. Reams presided there.

Thursday night Big Springs. Small attendance, but two new members added. Mr. G. W. Cashman in chair. the producers signed. Like many other unorganized groups, have taken an awful thumping on while milk price by none other than an old-line instiprovides that the Attorney General tution which is another repeat on hispractices? When will he assert his rights? When will he heed the warning? I wish I knew. With the United States Government back of us, with a program such as we have, encouraging, farmer owned and farmer conbills pertaining to bindweed. House trolled, Cooperative marketing agentelling us in no uncertain language that the future of the farmer lies as \$150.00 The tax this year is thereshall the future of the farmer lies as \$150.00 The tax this year is thereshall the future of the farmer lies as \$150.00 The tax this year is thereshall the future of the farmer lies as \$150.00 The tax this year is thereshall the future of the farmer lies as \$150.00 The tax this year is thereshall the future of the farmer lies as \$150.00 The tax this year is thereshall the future of the farmer lies as \$150.00 The tax this year is thereshall the future of the farmer lies as \$150.00 The tax this year is thereshall the future of the farmer lies as \$150.00 The tax this year is thereshall the formulation and the township taxpay-level to be paid.

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> Delays are costly, do it now. Cooperatively, J. E. SHIPPS.

facilities, why not ask your neighbor

to come in and help in this, the great-

P. S.: Next week Miami County.

MT. ZION LOCAL HAS ST. PATRICK'S DAY MEETING

Not very often do we make much noise here at old Mt. Zion local, but Also Senate Bill No. 5 which would we are still plodding along and though have increased the gasoline tax to 5c we aren't making much fuss we get

wided that he should allow a refund to night in each month and if the weath- fall the burden of all taxation, above those whom he deemed entitled to er or some other unavoidable some- the minimum tax.

day night. In an effort to partially show our appreciation to the group of Semators committee. They always provide for

> The President, D. McVaigh, was sisted of three young men. The procalled away and the vice-president, gram which consisted of piano duets, Louis Heider, Louis Wren and Dean Foster, who as it was St. Patrick's day had prepared a green and white unch of lime jello, marshmallows and whipped cream, green and white cake, offee and cocoa served in green glass

Our next meeting will be the sec-ond Tuesday night in April with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Holloway. Dr. McVaigh, Pres. Mrs. Maude Carneo, Secy.

CHASE CO. F. U. MEETS APRIL 4

Dear Sir: The Chase Co. Farmers Union will hold their second quarterly meeting ing April 4th, 1931 with an all-day

meeting and basket dinner. Business meeting 10:30 a m .. Dinner 12 m. noon. Program 1 p. m.

State speaker 2 p. m. W. C. CHILDS, President.

ODESSA LOCAL NO. 1571 At the regular meeting of Odessa Local held Tuesday, March 17, after a short business session at which the three proposed amendments to the union constitution were unanimously adopted, the following program was

given: Piano SoloMrs. Grover Whitson Group Song Pupils of Odessa School Frances Russell Frances Frazier Reading Vocal Solo ...Reva Haines ..Dorothy Russell ReadingMary Reynolds Reading ..

Hollingsworth of Akron. The program was in charge of Miss Bertha tSephens and was greatly en-After the program the refreshment committee served apples and home

was adjourned R. A. REYNOLDS, Sec'y. Winfield, Kansas, Cowley County.

made candy, after which the meeting

TAXATION PRINCIPALS After giving the subject consider-

woman, unmarried, and above 21 years of age, and the head of every family, should be required to pay a minimum tax. This is but just since all are under the protection of the laws of the state and nation.

Second: No one should be required to pay more than the minimum tax, unless he has an income, greater than is necessary to keep himself and family, if he has one, respectably.

Third: All taxes above the minimum

some real cooperators, and have tax, should be collected from those, highway with new culverts for every pledged to assist in building up a big- whose income is in excess of that which is necessary for a respectable living for himself and family, regard- and the gravel is put on, it will greatless of the amount of property that ly reduce further cost of the road to

Fourth: No person should be called taxing district, with a greater income than he. The tendency of all taxations should

be toward equalizing incomes. Fifth: No man should be called on

ation, because property does not yield

enable them to live, even though they be out of the mud. have considerable property standing in their name, while others whose in-come is sufficient to enable them to spend their summers in the mountains and their winters in Florida or California, pay not even a minimum tax, but that is the situation under our of actual value of property.

present system. Under our present system there are many farmers, who are called on and required to pay a tax of more than two hundred dollars when their total income is not sufficient to give them a decent living while there are other and the giving of less than a 10 mill people whose income is sufficient to tax rate to intangibles, all of which enable them to live in idleness and

luxury, and pay no tax at all. The boast of America is her homes. Why tax men out of their homes as is being done under our present sysdividuals, who have been lucky or by and wily maneuvers of the attorneys reason of foresight have been able to and lobbyists of the corporations and At last the process of elimination had whose income is more than their We meet on the second Tuesday need; on them and them alone should

J. R. LONG, Walnut, Kansas.

SPRING HILL LOCAL

HAS MEETING as business is now important and Minneapolis, Kans., March 14, 1931. Spring Hill Local 1570 met in regılar session, Friday night, March 13 violin and auto harp music and sing-27. Mrs. C. E. Blades, Reporter.

WILSONTON LOCAL NO. 1814 HAS MEETING Parsons, Kans., March 10, 1931.

A. M. Kinney; Dear Sir: The report of Wilsonton Local No. 1814 March 10, 1931. Meeting nere because of worldwide causing called to order by President Earl Karstetter. Fourteen members responded to roll call

sponded to roll call. Minutes of previous meeting read what the Farm organization wanted, and approved. Cecil Clark, county secstill it is a beginning. It is the first retary, gave report of the county meeting, also a short talk about the help Agriculture and we firmly shipping association in which a discussion followed.

Cecil not being present at the last that neither the Farm act, nor the meeting when our new officers were installed, he being elected doorkeeper, to show what could be done under took up his new duties for the coming year. Meeting then adjourned. The ladies served hot coffee and oyster

soup which was enjoyed by all. President, Earl Karstetter. Sec'y & Treas., Mrs. Henry Eplee.

HILLSIDE LOCAL NO. 511

ELECTS OFFICERS

After hearing a report from our delegate to the Jobbing Association

Clifton, Kansas, Mar. 20, 1931. Mr. A. M. Kinney, Salina, Kansas; Dear Sir: Elected and installed officers for 1931. Chas. Clevenger, president, Harold Weber, vice-presilent, and J. H. Meenen, secretarytreasurer, Angus Kay, conductor, C.

B. Tillinghast, doorkeeper.
J. H. MENNEN, Sec'y.

FARMERS UNION MEETING The quarterly meeting of the Mar-shall County Farmers Union held at Waterville, Tuesday, March 3, was attended by 69 delegates and about 150 visiting members. After partaking of a splendid dinner served by the ladies in the hall, the meeting was called to order by Pres. Sholtz at 1:30 and opened by all rising and singing America. After reading the minutes of the last meeting and hearing the report of the credential committee, the resolution committee was ready to report and reported the following res-

Benefit District Roads—A Better Way

The roads being built in this county under the benefit district plan are once. The instrumental music fur-Benefit District Roads-A Better Way able thought, I have arrived at the following conclusion, in regard to a system of taxation, and if these conclusions could be worked out and put into effect, no one would ever be asked to pay a tax, when such payment would work a hardship on him.

First: Every able bodied man or

iod of distress when farmers are facing bankruptcy and foreclosure, we recommend a better plan of getting the farmers out of the mud, a plan that The subject was "What's the Matter ter, but total consumption decreased as a result of slightly larger exports and smaller imports. Total exports of all meats, including lard, last year "It would be a wonderful thing," is being used in some parts of the county. This plan is for the Townships Late in the evening an exceptionally delicious luncheon was served. to grade the proposed improved road, Angel food and Lady Baltimore (that is their duty anyway), and the cakes by Mrs. Fred Livingston and Mrs. K. N. Friesen could not be expatrons of the road to pay by voluntary subscriptions for a reasonably

celled when it comes to texture. Mrs. Ernest Droegemeier, as usual, supplied us with those delicious doughgood coat of gravel, say about 400 cubic yards to the mile. This is the nuts. These, combined with two kinds of salad, three different makes of amount of gravel just recently put on U. S. 77 between Marysville and Blue Rapids. Even 300 cubic yards to the sandwiches, pickles and an abundance mile wolud help folks out of the mud of good coffee, made a fitting climax to a delightful evening. Pauline Cald-well, Helen Hysell, Ethel Livingston for perhaps 3 years. It is not proposed that the township make a 28 foot and Lois Droegemeier served these delicious refreshments, and they dis-played considerable art. ravine, but a good road way at least Wonder what the chairlady has up

> her sleeve for Easter. Mrs. O. W. Holmes, Reporter.

OH GOLLY, IT WAS "JOLLY"!

miles from the gravel supply or 15 to 20 miles. This would amount to about \$400 to \$800 per mile of 400 cubic yards to the mile. This would probvolving the 500 pupils of Potwin added. Mr. G. W. Cashman in chair.
Also drove with Mr. Faust of Topeka,
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Topeka Coo All men are created equal, and should be so treated. One should not live off the fat of the land, while the nose of the one supporting him is on the grindstone.

Argument

Property is not a fair base for taxing the property does not yield at the patrons of the road would be guess work. There was much at stake and his prospects of winning were good. With property does not yield at the patrons of the road would be guess work. There was much at stake and his prospects of winning were good. With property does not yield will be so treated. One should not does not continue to hog about all the gas tax money. Under the benefit distance in Robert's mind would be guess work. There was much at stake and his prospects of winning were good. With only a mere 4th grader to overcome, with the patrons of the town. mile. Then the taxpayers of the town- victory seemed almost in his grasp. a uniform income. A quarter section ship would have to stand for 25 per Perhaps Robert was thinking, as wor farm may yield an income of \$500.00 cent or \$1500 and the taxpayers of the one year, and the next year not more than \$100.00. This year for instance cent or \$3600,00. Under this proposed have if I win the state championship the best farms in this part of the country did not yield an income above \$100.00, while the taxes were as much per mile or less if less gravel were the state champions and the coveted trip to Washington offered by the Capper Publications."

But these musings were brought to the country did not yield an income above \$100.00, while the taxes were as much per mile or less if less gravel were as much per mile or less if less g

turned to "golly"! 1. Resubmission of the income tax plan of rivalry which resulted in unusual interest in all of the grades State agricultural experiment sta-2. Submission of Governor Wodofrom one to six. The teachers were tions. Details of the experiment are requested to conduct spelling matches given in Technical Bulletin 217-T, in each of their own rooms, and elimring's proposed constitutional amendment limiting tax levies to 2 per cent inate all but the three best spellers. fected by Grade of Steer and Feeding Then beginning with 1-A, the cham-pions competed with the three win-sued by the Department of Agricul-3. Public hearings on budgets before tax levies and on poposed bond issues before calling an election or ners in the second grade. The winning ture. trio in this six went against the three 4. We denounce the giving of low victors in the third grade, and so on. tax rates to financial corporations,

one of the surviving three. At the legislation increases the tax burden 5. Three sessions of the legislature panions. Throughout the tilt with alone. The supplement-fed having failed to give promised relief to real estate of its intolerable tax

> honors in the State Spelling Bee. ASK ME ANOTHER Vance Rucker

Specialist in Marketing, K. S. C. What is the "Agricultural Out-The "Agricultural Outlook" is That whereas: the county is going pamphlet published by the United through a very serious business and States department of agriculture on financial depression, which also is the probable trend of prices for the coming year as predicted by the supoly and demand of farm products in seem to be ineffective to stem the downward trend of farm prices; and

2. For how many years has the outlook been prepared? This is the ninth year of its ex-

3. To whom is it available.?
It is available to all farmers persons interested in such an outlook 4. When was it available this year? It was released this year on Febuary 2, 1931.

5. How many crops does it cover? It covers approximately 40 crops. 6. Who writes the national outlook

report?
The bureau of agricultural econom ics of the United States department of agricuture, representatives from all other bureaus of the department of agriculture, and representatives of extension and research staffs of the state colleges of agriculture.
7. How do all these representatives

balance the information for general

statements? These outlooks are written in committee meetings and then brought in to a general meeting and discussed as a whole. Representatives on these committees are those individuals internow put on a play by the Ladies of ested in these particular commodities and the commodities related to them. 8. Will all farmers follow the out-

look information? No. The most progressive farmers and those operating on a cost of production basis will follow the information

9. Where can a person get the "Agricultural Outlook"? The outlook is available from the county agents, or from the extension service of the agricultural college. MEAT PRODUCTION AND CON-SUMPTION DECREASED IN

1930, FIGURES SHOW Total production and consumption of meats in the United States last year was the smallest since 1922, and

FRANKLIN LOCAL ENTERTAINS per capita consumption of meats was WITH A ST. PATRICK'S PARTY the smallest since 1919, according to estimates by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, U. S. Department of entertained with a St. Patrick party.
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Williams and
Helen Hysell were guests of the local.
We greatly missed the Heitschmidt Agriculture. The bureau places total producton of dressed meat, not including lard, at 16,394,000,000 pounds in 1930 as compared with 16,803,000,000 pounds in 1929, and 16,295,000,000 pounds

1922. All of the decrease in 1930 as compared with 1929 was in pork. The 1930 production of beef was 6,076,000,000 pounds compared with ,065,000,000 pounds in 1929; veal 33,000,000 pounds against 816,000,000

were the smallest in thirty-one years.

duction has increased 50 per cent farm relief. Per capita consumption of meats, excluding lard, is placed at 131.7 ment to settle the farm problem and pounds, the smallest since 1919 when has backed that plan with a fund of consumption was 130 pounds. In 1929 it was 136.8 pounds and in 1924, the

1929. year was 68.2 pounds compared with 72.8 pounds in 1929, and a high of 74.7 pounds in 1922 and 1924 me. 74.7 pounds in 1923 and 1924. The Drama, pathos, luring hopes and lucky breaks all played their parts in a keenly contested spelling match insumption of beef last year was 50.1 pounds against 51.4 pounds in 1929.

pounds, was in 1917. The quantity of

Gain fed as a supplement to gras for fattening 3-year-old steers produces heavier gains and somewhat better-finished carcasses than those of steers fattened on grass alone. The meat of the supplement-fed cattle is Miss Ina Mary Harkins, Principal studies were a part of the national of Potwin School, initiated a unique meat-investigation project, in which the department is associated with 28

Both Good and Medium grade steers made decidedly better gains when fed When this progressive competition passed the 4th grade, Bessie Lou was finished on grass alone the bulleting

finished on grass alone, the bulletin shows. The feeding of grain also iners, she still stood in the winning line, creased the selling price of both though her midget form presented a grades of steers more than 10 per the 6th grade squad, Bessie Lou mas- outdressed the grass-alone lots, though the carcasses from the latter group

stood-a golden haired nine-year-old ficiently by the feeding of a supple lass, champion of the first 500 spellers ment to more than offset the addi-in the Capital City to compete for tional expense. The bulletin points out, however, that good judgment in buying and selling cattle may have a greater bearing than feed cost on profits. Copies of Technical Bulletin 217-T may be obtained on application to the Office of Information, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

> FARMERS MUST HELP THEMSELVES

The Federal Farm Board is no fairy godmother, warns its Chairman, Alexander Legge, in an informal report on

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says Mr. Legge in The County Home, Total veal production and consump- "if we could utter a few magic words tion was slightly larger last year than and turn all the pumpkins into coachin 1929. Lamb and mutton showed the es and all the wheat and corn and greatest relative increase in both pro- beans and cotton and cattle into gold. duction and consumption. Lamb pro- But there is no hope for that kind of

A great and powerful Government has put its strength behind a move-Farm Board done with that money? record year since 1908, it was 149.7 And what has it been able to do for pounds. The smallest per capita consumption in the last 30 years, 120.1 to do?

Mr. Legge started out about 18 ard used per capita last year was months ago with two or three clear 13.8 pounds as against 14.3 pounds in facts. He believed, for instance, that the wheat farmer's troubles came from the fact that he produced too plus. Since that time, the surplus has grown steadily, until today the surplus is enormous, not only in country, but all over the world.

After 18 months, Mr. Legge finds

only one possible solution-by organization of farmers for restriction of product and improved marketing.



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