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FIRE PREVENTION ON THE FARM

Thirty Five Hundred Lives and Millions of Dollars In Property Lost Annually In U.S.

Radio Talk By Ward J. Spencer, March 6, Over Station WIBW, Topeka

By W. J. Spencer In order that we may realize the importance of fire prevention on farms, it will be necessary to bring out some facts regarding the losses of farm property and lives from fires on farms and in rural communities.

The United States Department of Agriculture estimates the yearly loss in the United States at 3500 lives and one hundred fifty million dollars worth of property. Let us stress the loss of life and property a little more: it means the loss of more lives than there are people living in Olathe, or Eureka, or Liberal, Kansas. In prop-erty loss it means more than the value of two million acres of best Kansas farm land. What are the causes of farm fires? There are eight principal causes.

First: Spontaneous or self-ignition of hay and other agricultural pro-

Second: Lightning.
Third: Defective chimneys and

Fourth: Sparks on combustible roofs.
Fifth: Careless use of matches, cigarettes and smoking. Sixth: Careless use of gasoline and

kerosene and also the careless storage of these things. Seventh: Defective heating equip-

Eighth: Faulty wiring and improper use of electric appliances. These losses may be reduced. Hay should be properly cured before put-ting it in the barn, or if damp or tough, add salt as it is put in barn. See that the roof or sides of barn do not leak. Equip the house and larger outbuildings with standard lightning

We settle many lightning damage claims every year, and oftentimes it is the dwelling that is damaged most. Last year we paid two lightning claims on the same dwelling house. Properly installed lightning rods are a safeguard against fire and loss of life. See that the chimneys and flues dition. Flues should be lined with fire clay. Chimneys should be built on the ground and should not rest on brackets or wooden floors. Every fall when the weather begins to get cold and the heating stoves are started, dwelling house fire claims increase rapidly. This means that the chimneys or flues were

the fire. In many cases, in Kansas, chimneys have been standing over thirty years, and need overhauling and repairing.
There are many good fire resistant roofing materials on the market today and the farm dwelling house needs a fire resistant roof for as a

rule, fire protection on the farm is limited and a fire resistant roof is the best protection against roof fires. Careless use of matches causes many fire losses every year. Use safety matches and do not let the children ney said that too large a percent of and in some cases, smoking in bed has less than 8 per cent of the national in-

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(Editor's Note: This letter was sent to every member of the Kan-sas Legislature on March 7th, Also, to the Governor).

Salina, Kans., March 7, 1931. Members Kansas Legislature; Gentlemen:

Organization

We, the undersigned, have been continuously in meetings with large agricultural groups in Kan-

We find that not only the then sands of our Farmers Un n thership but farmers in gener the demanding that in a diston to National Legislation lecently enacted regarding butter substitutes, that the state of Kansa enact a law protecting the dairy terests.

The Kansas Farmers Union is favorable to House Bill No. 225 as favorable to House Bill No. 225 as

introduced by Representative Staadt proposing a license of \$300.00 per year to sellers at retail and \$1,000.00 per year to sellers at wholesale. Any modification of this Bill that does not carry an adequate penalty to protect the dairy interests to the extent that the produc-

ers may receive cost of production will be looked upon with disfavor

by our organization. Very truly yours, C. A. WARD, President. A. M. KINNEY,

TISDALE FARMERS ADDRESSED BY UNION OFFICIAL

1. M. Kinney Says Large Wheat Surplus Is Cause of Farm Problem

Farmers must realize that they cannot grow and produce wheat in a large surplus and hope to get a price which will let them live. This declaration was made by A. M. Kinney of Salina, secretary of the State Farmers Union association, who spoke Thursday night at Tisdale.

If they continue to raise more wheat they will have to take the consequences, is the view taken by Mr. Kinney. "Farmers always get bumped when there is a bumper crop," he

Favors Marketing Act storical discussion of the organ ization of the Farmers Union was given by the speaker in the early part of his talk. He said the Farmers Union foresaw 28 years ago the need of a marketing act. He read parts of the marketing act and explained it. He declared that the farmers in Western Kansas would have reduced their FARMERS UNION not tested for defects before starting wheat acreage if Legge and Hyde had remained out of the state. Legge made the farmers mad, Mr. Kinney declared.

Regardless of where wheat now originates so long as it goes through a co-operative, it is sold by the nation al sales agency, the speaker explained. This means, he pointed out, that the their own commodities through their own organizations.

Money Goes to Cities Taking up a discussion of another angle of farming conditions, Mr. Kin-July, some small children were play- a result the cities have progressed at throw lighted cigarettes on the floor Kinney quoted figures showing that caused loss of life and destruction of come went to agriculture in 1929, a (continued on page 4)

THE THINGS THAT HAVEN'T BEEN DONE BEFORE

The things that haven't been done before, Those are the things to try. Columbus dreamed of an unknown shore, At the rim of the far-flung sky. And his heart was bold and his faith was strong, As he ventured in dangers new, And he paid no heed to the jeering throng, Or the fears of the doubting crew.

The many will follow the beaten track With guide-posts along the way, They live and have for ages back With a chart for every day. Some one has told them it's safe to go On the road he has traveled o'er, And all that they ever strive to know, Are the things that were known before.

A few strike out without map or chart, Where never a man has been, From the beaten paths they draw apart, To see what no man has seen. There are deeds they hunger alone to do; Though battered and bruised and sore, They blaze the path for the many, who Do nothing not done before.

The things that haven't been done before Are the tasks worth while today: Are you one of the flock that follows, or Are you one that shall lead the way? Are you one of the timid souls that quail At the jeers of the doubting crew, Or dare you, whether you win or fail Strike out for the goal that's new?

-Author Unknown, in So. D. Union Farmer

ALEXANDER LEGGE RESIGNS AS CHAIRMAN FEDERAL FARM BOARD

Mr. Stone, Vice-Chairman of the Board, Becomes Chairman in Mr. Legge's Place--- Mr. Stone Has Had Many Years Experience with Farm Organizations and Cooperative Associations and is Well Qualified to act as Chairman

Mr. Legge, as Chairman of the Federal Farm Board, has made many friends among the farmers, and farmers' cooperative associations. He has also made many enemies, the most of whom are those people who have been living off the profits made by handling farm products.

Mr. Legge has been aggressive in carrying out the program as outlined by the Agricultural Marketing Act, and while we have not always agreed with him or some of his policies, yet we believe he has been conscientious in trying to benefit the farmers of this country.

We regret that he has found it necessary to sever his connection with the Farm Board. Mr. Legge, in an article in the Country Home not long ago, said:

'If we could utter a few magic words and turn all the pumpkins into coaches, and all the wheat and corn and beans and cotton and cattle, into gold. But there is no hope for that kind of farm relief."

After eighteen months Mr. Legge finds only one possible solution and that is the organization of the farmers, for restriction of production and improved marketing.

Will the farmers join? That, according to Mr. Legge, is the vital question and on its answer hinges the success of the Farm Board's efforts.

Chairman Stone Has Had Cooperative Marketing Experience James C. Stone has had several years experience in cooperative marketing. He organized the Burley Tobacco Pool and was General Manager. This Pool was successful in raising the price of tobacco to its members, three or four hundred percent. This price was so attractive that more farmers began raising tobacco, staying outside of the Pool, and the price broke disastrously.

In our opinion, Mr. Stone has had a much closer relationship to organized farmers than Mr. Legge and we believe he will prove a very able man for this position.

Mr. Stone, in a statement March 8th, said:

"The general policies of the Farm Board will continue without change."

Asserting that the cooperative method of organization was the most successful and best adapted to the needs of the farmers, the Chairman said the Board looked to the accomplishment the year. The conference on the 28th, of two prime objectives. First, development of a marketing system, operating in the interests of the producer, the elimination of waste and unnecessary cost, the elimination of the evils of competitive selling and establishment of an organized system of selling, supported by complete market was called to order until the motion in Kansas of a bumper wheat crop. A bumper wheat crop in Kansas of a bumper wheat crop in Kansa

Second, through cooperative organization, also, the Board expects to see, consistent progress the Cooperative Oil movement. toward the goal of the adjustment of production to potential demand.

We believe the Agricultural Marketing Act and the Farm Board program is going forward without serious disturbance, because of any change in personnel. A. M. KINNEY.

A. M. Kinney Says Large Wheat Surplus Is Cause of Farm Problem.

That the farmers around Cedar Vale believe in the Farmer's Union was demonstrated by a crowd of at farmers themselves will handle all of least three hundred farmers that attended the meeting at the Odd Fel-

low's Hall Tuesday night. State . Secretary of the Kansas Farmers Union, Mr. A. M. Kinney showed what great benefit the Farmers Union was doing for the Farmplay with matches. Last Fourth of farm money has gone to the city. As States in which there is a Farmers Union organization. He spoke highly ing with matches and fire crackers the expense of the farmers, he de- of the other Farm organizations, esand set a large barn on fire. The barn and contents were totally destroyed. It seems to be a common custom to share of the income produced, Mr. reau mainly an educational organiza-tion while the Farmer's Union is mainly a Co-operative Marketing organi-

> Mr. Kinney followed the Farmer's Union from the time it originated in he Southern State to its present size which covers the twenty eight leading Agricultural States. He told of the many mistakes that the organization has made and ask each farmer to realize that as they try to work out this big farm marketing problem that they are going to continue to make (continued on page 4)

THE WEEK WITH OUR

STATE LEADERS SALINA, Kans., March 9—Monday night, March 9th, President C. A. Ward attended a large Farmers Union mass meeting at Quinter. Wednesday night, March 11, he addressed the meeting of the Neosho County Farmat Corning on Saturday, March 14th. Secretary A. M. Kinney will spend the greater part of the week in Topeka, on business connected with the legislative activities of the Committee of Kansas Farm Organizations.

ELLIS COUNTY UNION The Ellis County Union will hold its quarterly meeting at Hays on Saturday, March 14, 1931, at one o'clock

LEO RAJEWSKI, Sec'y.

F. U. Auditing Association Obtains Wabaunsee County Audit

Salina, Kans., March 9.—The Farmers Union Auditing Association has been chosen to make the Wabaunsee County audit, it was announced today by T. B. Dunn, Manager of that or-ganization. This audit will cover a against the bill, the other eight wrote period of four years.

The Auditing Association has also been given the audit for Saline County, which will cover a reciod of two

FARMERS UNION MEETING TO THE MEMBERSHIP

John A. Simpson, President National Farmers Union

oills to increase.

ships. The battleships, in less than two years, will be used for targets. It

time to put on the biggest military program this or any other nation in the world ever undertook, and so they introduced in congress, the bill known as the Kahn-Wadsworth bill. Congressman Kahn of California and Senator Wadsworth of New York were authors of the bill. This bill were authors of the bill. This bill provided for a standing army of 500,000 men in time of peace. It provided for compulsory universal military training. Every American boy, under this bill, when he became eighteen years of age would have to serve six months in training camps and then return each year for four ers Union at Galesburg. As announced elsewhere, Mr. Ward will speak over the radio from station WIBW, Topeka, Friday night, March 13th, and he plans to attend a meeting of that the president of the United States are the state of the United States. This bill also provided that the without even esking Congress. the Nemaha County Farmers Union States, without even asking Congress, at Corning on Saturday, March 14th. when he deemed there was an emergency, could call out every able bodied man in the United States between the ages of 18 and 48. The Kaiser, in his wildest moments, never had such a dream. It was in the cards for this dream. It was in the cards for this bill to pass. As an illustration, I will show you what happened in Oklahoma and what happened in about thirty other states where there were Farmers Unions. The bill had been reported favorably by both the Committees of Military Affairs of the House and the Senate. A majority of the members of the House and Senate had been convinced by war lord organizations of the United States and had agreed to vote for it.

**RANSAS HAS 1,560,665

WASHINGTON, March 3—The census bureau today announced the population of Kansas comprised 1,792,847 white persons, 66,344 Negroes and 21,808 others, including Mexican. Indian, Chinese, Japanese and Filiphinos.

The white population showed an increase of 4.9 per cent. The Negro population, which numbered 57,925 in 1920 showed an increase of 14.5 per

ma and I know the letters were sent because members of the organization sent me copies of what they wrote. I went to Washington and when the bill came to a vote the ten votes from Oklahoma were all against the bill.

If the Farmers Union of this nation never did anything than kill this un-American proposition to enforce the hated Prussian Military System The Farmers Union is the only farm the hated Prussian Military System organization that fights militarism in this country, we have a right to in whatever form it appears in our look any farmer in the face and tell country. If it is to increase the him he ought to be a member with us. standing army, we fight the bills in Congress. If it is to increase appropriations for the Navy, we fight the passes resolutions against compulsory military training of every kind including land grant colleges and other We fought the bill just recently passed by congress appropriating passed by congress appropriating saint Citizens' training camps. When we commenced the on when we commenced the pass resolutions against Citizens' training camps. compulsory military training in land two years, will be used for targets. It is an outrage to take \$30,000,000 of army officials in charge told us that the taxpayers' money and waste it in the land grant college that would we are not always successful in defeating legislation, but many times we are. In the summer of 1919 just after the war had ended, those who made profit out of war and that is what war is for, decided it was a good time to put on the biggest military.

the land grant college that would abolish compulsory military training would lose federal aid. We finally got a decision from the Secretary of the Interior establishing the rule that the Federal Government does not require a land grant college to compel students to take military training. is that the college offer the course in military training, with this ruling: The Agricultural College of Oklahoma, upon application of a student, does not require them to take military training. This was done by a ruling of the State Board of Agriculture and of the President of the College.

In the state of Wisconsin, it was abolished by passing a bill through the legislature.

I hope that the farmers of every state that reads this message will im-mediately bring action before proper authorities to abolish compulsory mil-itary training in the land grant colleges of your state.

I would be glad to confer with you and assist you in prosecuting such a case to a successful conclusion.

KANSAS HAS 1,880,888

Mr. A. M. Kinney, Editor, Kansas Union Farmer, Salina, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Kinney:-I write to congratulate you on the newsy contents of the Kansas Union Farmer and the attractive front page which usually gets my best attention as soon as I open the paper. I was particularly pleased with the way in which you sum-marized the news from the Kansas Legislature and the story of the "Farm Bloc" as I find it in the issue of February 26th, which reached my desk this morning. I really got more information out of your three-column summary of the do-ings of the "Farm Bloc" than in the daily newspapers covering a week's legislative proceedings. I like the general editorial policy of the paper. It is sane and fair and I believe will appeal fav-

orably to the great majority of vour readers. Wishing you success, I am

Sincerely yours, ARTHUR CAPPER.

COOP. OIL MANAGERS since we have seen anything of relative terms of the country then a AND DIRECTORS

Must Pool Volume So Own Refinery Can Be Operated, Says Howard Cowden, Pres. Union Oil Co.

A similar conference was held in Aberdeen in September, 1930, at the conclusion of which a resolution was unanimously adopted, asking that another be held soon after the first of was the result. Howard A. Cowden, President, presided. From the time it all possible information relative to bushels, much of it hard winter and the Cooperative Oil movement.

should be the best informed men in their communities on the oil business. We want these conferences to be instructive and informative. We want to give all the information we can, and in turn we want to get all the information we can from you. The Union Oil from 1929-1930. Company represents the ideas and aspirations of tens of thousands of farmers, and I come to these conferences expecting to, and I believe I do, get more new ideas than anyone else present. These ideas are blended together to make the Union Oil Company the kind of a company you want it to be, and to render the kind of

service you have a right to expect." Mr. Cowden also discussed the petroleum market situation in which he lives." pointed out that there was an overproluction of crude oil as well as an overproduction of gasoline. He predicted a cut in crude oil prices as well as ricultural marketing act were the subin tank wagon and service station jects of our addresses.

prices. He also discussed the refusal of the He also discussed the refusal of the Ethyl Corporation, which is owned by General Motors and the Standard Oil Company, to sell Cooperatives. He their acreage. Wheat was then interpreted to a conversation be held on referred to a conversation he held, on fluenced by the stabilization pegged a train, with a representative of a refinery who had just appeared before a meeting of directors of Cooperative Oil Companies who were buying gasoline for 9 bulk stations. This salesman had bid on the business, yet on the train he argued, "The farmer has no business in the oil business". "He is ruining legitimate business with his cooperatives", etc. By hs loud talking he drew quite a crowd about him while he lambasted and harangued the farmer for organizing.

"This fellow," said Mr. Cowden, "had all of this in his heart while he was trying to get a contract to supply several million gallons of gasoline and kerosene to Cooperatives. He may have had the hands of Esau, but his voice was that of Jacob. Yet he admitted that the two biggest customers his company had were Cooperatives, and they took about 25 per cent of the output of his refinery.

"The time is here," Mr. Cowder concluded, "when we should pool our volume to the end that we can soon operate our refinery. We should also pool our brains as well as our fighting spirit. The farmer cannot win in his struggle for economic without a fight, and it is high time we wee fighting beneath the same banner and behind the same breastworks."

One of the high points of the Aberdeen conference was a demonstra-tion by Hugo Stolberg, Chief Chemist inos.

The white population showed an increase of 4.9 per cent. The Negro population, which numbered 57.925 in 1920 showed an increase of 14.5 per cent.

The white population showed an increase of 6 in and what they mean to the user. He showed why one oil lubricates better than another. At the conclusion which leasted of Oklahoma, I wrote the eight members of the House and our two Senators asking them how they stood on the Kahn-Wadsworth bill. One member of the House and one member of the Senate wrote back that they were against the bill, the other eight wrote that they were for it. In less than that they were for it. In less than the during the weekly Farmers Union Hour Friday night, March 13th, and the during the weekly Farmers Union Hour Friday night, March 13th, at they during the weekly Farmers Union Hour Friday night, March 13th, at they were for it. In less than the during the weekly Farmers Union Hour Friday night, March 13th, at they were for it. In less than the during the weekly Farmers Union Hour Friday night, March 13th, at they were for it. In less than the during the weekly Farmers Union Hour Friday night, March 13th, at they were for it. In less than the during the weekly Farmers Union Hour Friday night, March 13th, at they were for it. In less than the during the weekly Farmers Union Hour Friday night, March 13th, at they were for it. In less than the during the weekly Farmers Union Hour Friday night, March 13th, at they were for it. In less than the during the weekly Farmers Union Hour Friday night, were for it. In less than the during the weekly Farmers Union Hour Friday night, were for it. In less than the during the weekly Farmers Union Hour Friday night, were for it. In less than the energetic manager from Woon. Farm Board ought to go on taking wheat surpluses off the market which for hearly three hours, Phil Tremblay, the energetic manager from Woon. Farm Board ought to go on taking the energetic manager from Woon. Farm Board ought to go on taking the energetic manager from Woon. Farm Board ought to go on taking the energetic manager from Woon. Farm Board ought to go on taking the energetic manager from Woon. Farm Board ought to go on taking the energetic manager from Woon. Farm Board ought to go on taking the energetic manager from Woon. Farm Board ought to go on taking the energetic manager from Woon

Kansas Farm Organizations Work Together In Harmony

A. W. Ricker, Editor F. U. Herald, Writes of a Few of His Kansas Experiences

At the joint request of C. E. Huff, former national president of the Farmers Union, and C. A. Ward, president of the Variant C. A. Ward, president of the Variant C. A. ident of the Kansas Farmers Union, ye editor filled a speaking schedule in the sunflower state beginning February 18th and extending to February

Originally the schedule was arranged for Mr. Huff, but through press of official duties at the office of the Farmers National Grain Corporation Mr. Huff could not fill the engagements

engagements. Every moment of the time spent in Kansas was full of interest, not the least of which was a visit to the little country schoolhouse where 19 years ago we stood up in front of a president of a local Union and took the Farmers Union membership obligation. Sixteen years have passed by gation. Sixteen years have passed by since we have seen anything of rural visited the short grass country, then a vast unbroken prairie and once placed in the early geographies as a part of the great American desert.

Thirty years, even sixteen years, have transformed Kansas. Towering oil derricks dot the landscape over many hundreds of square miles of territory, and in the western area grass and wild flowers have been replaced with wheat fields of such vast. placed with wheat fields of such vast

Very Successful Meeting Held at Aberdeen, S. D., February 28th

An instructive and very important conference of Cooperative Oil managers and directors was held in Aberdeen, South Dakota, February 28th. A similar conference was held in Aberdeen, South Dakota, February 28th. A similar conference was held in Aberdeen, South Dakota, February 28th. A similar conference was held in Aberdeen, South Dakota, February 28th. A similar conference was held in Aberdeen, South Dakota, February 28th. A similar conference was held in Aberdeen, South Dakota, February 28th. North Dakota wheat fields are broken by grassland, alfaifa and other crops. Western Kansas, or much of it, is all wheat, green and promising in late February. Moreover, wide-spread rain came while we were in Kansas, breaking a protracted period of dry weather, with no snow. North Dakota wheat

Mr. Cowden, in his opening statement, said "I believe that the managers and directors of Cooperatives should be the best informed men in may only with truth write that the prospects of a wheat crop in Kansas afford no cheer to our spring wheat

On several occasions we told our audiences that the volume of wheat acreage in western Kansas seemed limited only by land over which a plow and a drill could be run, that if there were more acres there would be more wheat.

"When it rains in Kansas," we said "we shiver in the Northwest. We cannot resist hoping that something might happen to destroy half your crop and give us a chance for our

Since it was grain marketing and the wheat problem that we went to Kansas to talk about, that and the ag-

Nearly a year ago Alexander Legge, chairman of the Federal Farm Board, price, selling for more than a dollar per bushel at the Kansas City Term-inal. Western Kansas has been raising wheat crops pretty regularly since 1925. On those flat, tractor-farmed acres of western Kansas and given a crop every year, wheat may doubt-less be produced at a profit for a selling price of one dollar per bushel. Wheat cropping with power farming involves no great expense of labor. It is a lazy man's job as compared with that of the dairy or corn and live-

The wheat growers resented Mr. Legge's advice. The then governor of the state did likewise. So did the ewspapers, the grain exchanges and

the railroads. The governor made acreage reduction a campaign issue.

It was at Hays, Kansas, that Legge uttered his blunt statement, "The biggest hog lays in the trough." Does Kansas want to be in the trough? Kansas decided she did, and produced a big crop of wheat, and planted another. Then when wheat prices crashed all over the world and it looked like 30 cent wheat out in the country, Kansas set up a cry for the Farm Board to do something about it. They wanted the Farm Board to buy 100,000,000 bushels of wheat and give it away. The Farm Board again tion a campaign issue.

give it away. The Farm Board again invoked stabilization and kept wheat 20 cents per bushel above the price at Liverpool. But the Farm Board has stabilized at the expense of the rayolving fund and by May probably revolving fund and by May probably will have practically all of the 1930

surplus stored away in terminal ele-vators and another surplus possible and entirely probable. "Just how long," we asked every

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The Committee of Kansas Farm Organizations has succeeded in getting most of the bills which they indorsed, passed successfully in the Legislature

The Income Tax Resolution, re-submitting the Amendment, came from of the state of Kansas. the House back to the Senate and was passed by the very narrow margin of

one vote. The following is the vote on this resolution: Comparison of the roll call votes on the resolution and the one previously killed by the senate show that four senators changed their votes. Senators Carlson, Bond and Krehbiel voted "aye" today, where they voted "no" on the one killed by the senate on February 17. Senator Frizell changed from "aye" on the first resolution to "no" today.

Voting for adoption today: Arbuthnot, Archer, Baker, Barnes, Barrier, Behrens, Bond, Buehler, Butler, Carlson, Finley, Gehring, Gray, Hanson, Harris, Ireland, Krehbiel, Mann, Nevitt, Potter, Prehn, Ratner, Rogler, Scott, Solander, Warren and Whitman. Against: Bradfield, Bradney, Culp, Frizell, Geddes, Immell,

Knapp, Lindsley, Pfouts, Smyth, Tripp and Whitman. Total-12. This will give us a chance to vote on the graduated income tax, two years from now. This Amendment was lost last year by only 32,000 votes,

out of a total of 600,000 cast in Kansas. In the next two years, as the farmers come to understand what this

amendment means, there is no question but that it will pass, overwhelm-

The refund on gasoline used for agricultural purposes has been changed and instead of the farmers paying it, and its being rebated to them by the State, it will not be collected in the future. The farmer getting the benefit of this refund will sign a statement when he buys the gasoline, saying that this gasoline will be used for agricultural purposes and will pay only the price of the gasoline, less the state tax.

OLEOMARGARINE LEGISLATION

The Townsend Brigham Bill, putting the ten cent tax on colored oleomargarine, passed both Houses of Congress and has been signed by the

This will be some help to the dairy industry. Mr. Ward received the following telegram from Congressman James G. Strong, of the Fifth District, "I carried the bill to tax colored oleomargarine this morning and wit-Kansas:

nessed the President sign same." James G. Strong, M. C. Our oleomargarine Bill in the Kansas legislature so far seems to be

travelling a rocky road. It has not yet been reported out of the Agricultural Committee in the House. The Farmers Union bill is modelled after the Montana law, placing a license tax against each retailer of oleomargarine or butter substitute of \$300 per year and \$1,000.00 against wholesalers. The talk is that a substitute bill will be reported out of the Committee early this week, placing a tax of five cents per pound on uncolored eleomar-

garine and ten cents on colored oleomargarine. There is a very strong lobby working in Topeka against any oleomargarine legislation. We are still hopeful, however, that some law will be enacted which will protect the dziry industry of Kansas.

THE FEDERAL FARM ACT

The fight that has been made on the Federal Farm Act and the propaganda put out against its operation under the Federal Farm Board during

that while both wheat and cotton are the lowest in years, they are world this problem earnestly. Plans are being worked out which, it is hoped, will commodities, and a big portion of each must be exported and sold to foreign add thousands to our membership rolls, in addition to strengthening all of

Notwithstanding this fact, wheat has been selling for several months Entered as Second-Class Matter August 24, 1912 at Salina, Kansas. Under for about thirty cents a bushel more than it is worth in the world market, and cotton is worth a cent a pound more than the world price. So, I cannot see how anybody can blame the Agricultural Marketing Act or the Federal Farm Board for the present low prices, since we are getting more for cotton and wheat than the people of any other country.-Oklahoma Cotton Grower.

FALSE TAX STANDARDS

A lot of people announce that ability to pay is the correct tax principle, and then forget all about that principle when it does not accommodate itself to their line of reasoning. Many false tax standards are set up.

1. "Taxes should be levied so as to encourage industry, and not penalize thrift." That is, the shiftless should be made to pay heavier taxes, and the industrious given a lighter load. Evidently impossible. No, the tax load must be borne by the able. Laggards and paupers cannot be made to support the government, and the thrifty excused. The wealthy get far the most benefit from government, and must pay the larger share of the tax as determined by the principle of ability to pay.

2. "Luxuries should be taxed rather than necessities." But the persons government the same as those who produce or handle luxuries. Both necessities and luxuries are needed by our people. It is not how a person spends his money or invests his income, whether for necessities or for luxuriesthat should make him liable for taxes, but his ability to pay, as measured Salina, Kansas that should ma...Fairview, Kansas by net income.

3. "In taxation, exemptions should be given to encourage worthy industries." It is impossible to encourage some industries by giving them backs the tax exemptions taken off the favored industries. Government job, rendering their part well. It was my second meeting in Ellsworth protects ALL industries, encourages ALL industries, beneficiently regulates ALL business, guards the health of ALL the people, builds roads for ALL, people, and be of any assistance I can. and provides schools for ALL without exception. Therefore, without exception, ALL should pay taxes in proportion to their ability. Secretary of the Treasury, Andrew Mellon, advocates that even U. S. Government bonds should pay taxes the same as other property. Tax exemption is an outrageous injustice. In a Republic all men should be equal before the law.

4. "Selective taxes should be levied on some industries that can stand support all, then all industries should be taxed. When human, fallible, selfish men go about "selecting" who shall pay a higher or lower tax, they will make a crazy patch tax system of arbitrary inequalities with interminable muddling and wrangling. The present unfair property tax system cannot be patched up and made fair. The income tax system is a complete tax system that collects an equitably correst tax from all property and all income of all persons, all partnerships, and all corporations—not arbitrarily nor by any man made "selection"-but AUTOMATICALLY IN PROPOR-TION TO NET INCOME, which is the absolute measure of ability to pay.

PARAGRAPHS FROM WASHINGTON

By W. P. Lamberson

To the contrary, notwithstanding, the members of Congress are the most unselfish group I ever knew. Every one who voted for the Lame Duck Amendment voted at the end of his service to take two months less pay, for their terms will close January 4th instead of March 4th.

Tomorrow, with appropriate services, California is unveiling her two statues, where stand those of Ingalls and Glick. One is Junipero Serra who was a Jesuit missionary from Mexico in the 18th century. The other is Thomas Starr King, a Presbyterian minister, who helped keep that state in the Union in 1861.

. There are eight seats in the front row of the members' gallery allotted to the Speaker. Thursday when the House was passing the Bonus over the President's veto, the galleries were thronged. While women were sitting on the steps in the aisles near her, Princess Alice sat alone with seven seats

Seniority from a western viewpoint is difficult to appreciate. Rep. Swing of California says he sat at the foot of a certain committee for two years under a chairman who allowed the members to talk only when he called upon them. When he sought counsel, he spoke first to the man nearest on his right, then the man nearest on his left. In that way he would proceed down the table. Swing said they never reached him in the two years.

Following the Republican Caucus, the Washington papers said the Kansas delegation made a "gesture" at a revolt. This is the great word back here. It is the working tool of the master politician. One man who stayed out of the Caucus said quietly to a colleague in the cloak-room, "It was imperative that we should dramatize our opposition to the Oil report." You will remember that many Congressman voted for the old McNary-Haugen bill when they knew that Pres. Coolidge was going to veto it. It is a great world, this playing both ends against the middle.

THE PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

- C. A. WARD

In the past two months, I have addressed many large Farmers Union neetings in Kansas. Large audiences have been in attendance at most of these meetings, bearing out the statement I have repeatedly made for the last year, that we were approaching a new era and that there is a conscious awakening on the part of all farmers to become more definitely organized as a solution in looking toward definite help in this time of dire agricultural distress. Many of our audiences have run up close to the five hundred mark and I think that our crowds are on the average of at least fifty percent greater than they were one year ago.

Chairman Alexander Legge, upon his retirement from the Federal Farm Board, has just stated that the slowness of the farmers in getting together and acting collectively for their own good is a great handicap in the cooperative program. He is right. The Farmers Union is striving toward a goal and is adopting a program of real cooperation. And is getting in possession of its own marketing machinery from the producer to the con-

So far as our membership organization is concerned, I would suggest three steps as essential to its development, namely: education, organization

three steps as essential to its development, namely: education, organization and cooperation.

Education is first and fundamental. We farmers must see and feel the need of such a program. We cannot believe in it until we know about it this year, we will cut ours when planting the state officials are exerting physical energy and making every reasonable state officials are exerting physical energy and making every reasonable state officials are exerting physical energy and making every reasonable state officials are exerting physical energy and making every reasonable at the close of my meetings.

At one point twenty-seven members in this education, organization, organization in 1931.

Inow repentant, but repentance work help out in 1931.

Joint action on the part of the will cut their acreage of spring wheat this year, we will cut ours when planting the company of attempt to do their part in this educational program. We are sure that hundreds of our locals and thousands of our membership are equally inter-

the past rew monns, have greatly encouraged out defined and the co-operative movement. As I have often said, the Agricultural Marketing Act is strictly a co-operative movement. As I have often said, the Agricultural Marketing Act and its operation been brought about by the Agricultural Marketing Act and its operation.

In my judgment, the future of the Farmers Union rests primarily in pledged their support to a reductive accordance and supplicated the fact that if this Act were repealed, it have been in this work long enough to be convinced that live Locals, we have real cooperatives.

Every farmer should appreciate the fact that if this Act were repealed, it would probably be many years before other farm legislation of any importance would be passed by Congress, and we should all get solidly behind the measure and the Farm Board in its operation, instead of allowing ourselves to be influenced by propaganda which is being spread over the country at this time.

The stories that have been put out attempt to lead you to believe the many new ones. This also is our challenge. One man cannot do the job.

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under the Federal Farm Board, but I beg to call your attention to the fact. The State organization assisted by our state business activities, are facing

The Kansas Farmers Union has gone through the experimental stage and scattered throughout the state, with the exception of south-west Kansas, we find membership. Our state is not a new territory as some states and we are fortunate in having this good start. Our membership and loyalty to our institutions could well be doubled, in one year, should all of us apply ourselves to our tasks. Will we become more keenly interested ourselves and will we speak to our neighbor and ask him to join hands in behalf of his own protection, those about him, and those who follow?

Cooperation

Someone has said that when two men could roll a log, easier than one, that is cooperation. "United we stand, divided we fall," should be our slogan. In order to cooperate, selfishness and prejudice must be minimized if not eliminated. Group action today is the order everywhere. The day of individualism has passed.

Great forward movements have always been the result of men getting together. There is always a mutual line of progress and advancement. Seed Co. 21 East Fifth St., Kansas together. There is always a mutual line of progress and advancement.

The fundamental principles of the Fargers Union and her plan of marketing through cooperation, bring individuals to this common understanding white Leghorn Chicks, hatching eggs.

In Kansas a group that has hundreds of cothat is nationally recognized. In Kansas, a group that has hundreds of cooperative business institutions, striving to arrive at equal rights with other who produce necessities or handle them are protected and encouraged by groups and to bring our business of farming up to the level of other industries, thereby bringing a freedom and independence that should characterize every tiller of the soil.

In addition to my many official duties of the past week, I attended three rousing Farmers Union meetings.

Monday night, I arrived at Ellsworth a little late but found the Courtroom filled with eager listeners and the inspiration I received was that this group is religiously sold to our program and will go forward. Mr. W. L. Reed, County President and D. H. Kottman, County Secretary were on the

Tuesday, after taking care of correspondence that had accumulated in the office, I drove hastily to Waterville, Marshall County, for their County meeting. The hall was packed. I love the people of Marshall County. Many of our membership there are pioneers. The militant spirit of Uncle Andy Shearer is commendable. Space forbids my mentioning the many outstanding leaders of Marshall County by name, but the organization there will go on. It is well grounded and they are possessed with a determined

Wednesday evening I drove to LaHarpe, Allen County, where I found the Cozy Theatre packed to the walls. As at the other meetings, a good many business men were in attendance and all seemed to be interested in the Farmers Union program. A male quartette from Iola rendered a lot of high class, worthwhile entertainment. Because of my long drive and hard work through the day, I seemed nearly exhausted but when once I faced this splendid, inspiring audience, my exhaustion left and I could have spoken well on into the night.

By pre-arrangement, after this meeting, I met Mr. Bullard at the hotel in Iola, and we discussed matters or organization and procedure together

Allen County has many opportunities and will accept them in defense of the Farmers Union and her program.

THE INSURANCE CORNER

By CHARLES A. BROOM, Secretary

Hail zones and rates for 1931 will be along the same line as other companies and are as follows:

\$2.85-In Nemaha, Riley, Geary, Wabaunsee, Lyon, Chase, Butler, Cowley Counties, and ALL that portion of the state lying east of the west line of these counties.

\$3.80-in Clay, Dickinson, Harvey, Jewell, McPherson, Marion, Marshall, Ottawa, Reno, Republic, Saline, Smith, and Washington Counties.

\$4.75—in Morris and Pratt Counties. \$5.70-in Cloud, Harper, Kingman, Mitchell, Rice, Sedgwick, and Sumner Counties.

\$6.65-in Barber, Comanche; and in townships twenty-three, twenty-four, and twenty-five, ranges eleven to fifteen inclusive, in Stafford County.

\$7.60-in Barton, Edwards, Ellsworth, Kiowa, Osborne and Russell Counties.

\$8.55-in Gove and Trego Counties.

\$9.50—in Ellis, Graham, Hodgeman, Ness, Phillips, Rooks, Scott, Sheridan and Thomas Counties; and in townships twenty-one, twenty-two, ranges eleven to fourteen inclusive in Stafford County.

\$10.45—in Cheyenne, Finney, Ford, Grant, Gray, Greeley, Hamilton, Haskell, Kearney, Lane, Lincoln, Logan, Morton, Pawnee, Rush, Seward, Sherman, Stanton, Stevens, Wallace and Wichita Counties.

We are not making the 20% deductible clause mandatory as stock companies are making and the rate is 5% less than they are asking.

We wonder how many of our members realize just what the Farmers Union Mutual Insurance Company really is and what it has done for its members. Last year alone we returned to our members, on expiring policies, \$27,000.00 in the fire company and \$5100.00 in the hail company, or a total of over \$32,000.00 in one year. In addition to this, we saved about twice this much by the difference in rates as compared with stock companies. This is only a one year record, and we have been at it for over sixteen

In the early days of our company, the dividend did not amount to such large sums on account of the volume, but the saving or difference in rates were greater in proportion to the volume handled, as rates were higher at

The legislature has recently passed a bill which, if signed by Governor that time than they are now. Woodring, will permit our company to carry all classes of automobile insurance except public liability. The fire, theft, tornado, property damage

At the conclusion of our tour,

and collision can be carried in the Farmers Union. This matter will receive

met with the managers of the Union. some action at our next Board meeting, as it must be approved by our Board business activities at Kansas City business activities at City business activities at City business activities at Kansas City business activities at Kansas City business activities at City business activitie

A TRIP THROUGH KANSAS

(continued from page 1) And the answer from every audience of Kansas, North Dakots and work systematically county by county was node of approval. Kansas is was node of approval. Kansas is produce the hard wheat supply, but ty as we are doing here in the North-produce the hard wheat grown in now repentant, but repentance won't

At one point twenty-seven members of the local Chamber of Commerce at-tended our meeting in a body, led by the chairman and secretary and joint-ly pledged their support to a reduc-tion of control of the support to a reduc-

about 40% of all the wheat grown in west.

in the Northwest by what the crop in Kansas looks like when we start

KANSAS UNION FARMER WEEKLY

EXCHANGE

If members of the Union have anything to Sell or Exchange, they should advertise in this department. Rate: 3 cents a word per issue. If run 4 times 10c per word for the four issues. Count words in heading, as "For Sale,") or "Wanted to Buy," and each initial or figure in the address. Compound words count as two words. CASH MUST ACCOMPANY ORDER—TRY THIS DEPARTMENT—IT WILL PAY YOU.

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CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

FOR SALE FOR SALE—Prairle Hay of Excellent Quality. We are Producers and Shippers, Give us Your Orders. We also have several cars of good hedge posts. Wire or write us for Prices. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Farmers Union Cooperative Ass'n. Z. A. Eaton, Mgr., Galesburg, Kansas.

MISCELLANEOUS

Red Clover \$10.00; Alsike \$10.00; Alfalfa \$3.00; White Sweet Clover \$3.90; Tim-othy \$4.50; Mixed Alsike and Timothy \$5.50; All per bushel, Bags free, Sam-ples and catalog upon request. Standard

HUSKY—Blood Tested S. C. Rhode Island White Chicks, 100 for \$8.00 Live Delivery, Circular Free. J. M. Plassmeyer, Loose Creek, Mo.

NATURAL LEAF TOBACCO. Mild Sweet Smoking 5 lbs. Postpaid \$1.00. Home-spun Pool, Cottage Grove, Tenn.

SONGWRITERS, we revise words, write music, arrange, copyright \$9.00. Gene Panzone Music Co., 168 Tremont Street, Boston, Mass.

PLANTS

Frost-Proof Cabbage and Bermude Onion Plants. Open field grown, well rooted, strong. Treated Seeds. Cabbage cack bunch fifty, mossed, labeled with variety name. Early Jersey Wakefield, Charleston Wakefield. Succession, Copenhagen, Early Dutch, Late Dutch, Postpaid: 200, 75c; 300, \$1.00; 500, \$1.25; 1,000, \$2.00; 2500, \$4.50. Express Collect: 2500, \$2.50. Onions Prizetaker, Crystal Wax and Yellow Bermuda, Postpaid, 500, 75c; 1,000, \$1.25; 6,000, \$6.00. Express Collect: 6,000, \$4.50. Full count, prompt shipment, safe arrival, satisfaction guaranteed. Write for Catalogue. UNION PLANT COMPANY, TEXARKANA, ARKANSAS.

PLANTS—Write for beautiful catalog of Cabbage, Onion, Tomato, Lettuce and Pepper plants. Davis Plant Co., Tifton, Ga.

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. Bags Free,
Write today for Samples, 40 Page Catalogue. Lowest Prices. All Kinds Farm
and Garden Seeds. and Garden Seeds. KANSAS SEED CO., SALINA, KANS. WHITE SEED CORN. Grown since 1882. Pink Kaffir. Charles Thomas, Zurich, Kansas.

ALFALFA SEED Kansas or Utah grown, hardy types \$7.00; \$9.00, \$11.00; Grimma variety sifalfa \$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.

PLUTOLOGY The science of expansion and contraction of the currency which causes good and hard times; price, paper cover, 25 cents. G. F. Stevenson, Miramar Hotel, Santa Monica, California.

"THE TOWN PUMP"

What Am I?
I am an AUTOMATIC gasoline pump. I operate by dropping in a coin-in-the-slot. I sell \$1.00-50c-25 worth at a time,

slot. I sell \$1.00-50c-25 worth at a time, at the prevailing price per gallon. I save you MONEY. I save you TIME. Because You Walt on Yourself!

I pay YOU to serve yourself. I have low expense and investment. I pass this SAVING on to you. I save you WAITING for change. I serve you ALL NIGHT and ALL DAY. I give you exactly what you pay for in gallons, quarts, pints and ounces. I sell only the HIGHEST GRADE of gasoline, and I sell at a LOWER ounces. I sell only the HIGHEST GRADE of gasoline, and I sell at a LOWER price because YOU WAIT ON YOUR-SELF.—Town Pump Co., Omaha, Nebras-ka, or G. W. Joy, Franklin, Nebr.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY Whereas it has pleased our Almighty God in His divine wisdom to remove from our midst our faithful brother, T. B. MccCoy of Walnut Grove Local No. 973, Therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of said Local, extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family. Be it also resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Kansas Union Farmer, one to the bereaved family, also spread on the minutes. spread on the minutes. Emil Stroeds

James Kvick Committee. J. F. Prochaska, Sec'y.

service is working with them. public press of Kansas is helpful and friendly. There is less of discord and contention among and between the farm organizations of Kansas than we have seen in any of the states. The marketing act and the Farm Board now has solid and united back-

ing in Kansas regardless of politics.
The Simpson revolt has no backing Kansas Unionists will pay their dues and support the National Union, but they will not follow John Simp-

son, nor back any of his policies. test public sentiment. Practically all of the hard wheat grown in the United States comes from the three states of Kansas, North Dakota and Montana. These three states not only

As a return courtesy for our Kansas trip, President C. A. Ward will spend a week or ten days with us here in the Northwest in the month here in the Northwest in the most of June, bringing Kansas greetings to the Northwest. President Ward and State Secretary Kinney are both tireless workers, highly esable, tireless workers, teemed and respected by the Kansas membership.

THE NORTH STAR

FARMERS UNION The North Star Farmers Union met
Friday evening, Feb. 27, at the North
Star school house. The meeting was opened by community singing, fol
Mitchell County Farmers Union will be held in Beloit on Tuesday, March 17. lowed by the secretary's report.

We were then favored by a splendid program furnished by R. Boyd Wallice and a number of young men from Stafford and community. First traditional results of the secretary steport.

a. m. to take up some business matters. The ladies will serve dinner in the hall at noon. A special literary traditional results in the secretary steport. came a minstrel sketch composed of We will have with us a representaand "Mother Machree." Cornet duet by Ronald Elliott and Gerald Rock-well. The octette sank two more num-bers, "'Tis Morn" and "Love Came pect to have three bulk stations in the piano accompaniment. Floyd McCune played a cornet number on the
trombone, accompanied at the piano
by Miss Geraldine Hammond. R. Boyd
Wallace then gave a couple of his
clever readings, "A Little Boy's Convalescence" and "Elocution". The
numbers were all greatly enjoyed.
The secretary was requested to notify
representatives that we favor a resorepresentatives that we favor a resolution re-submitting the income tax amendment. A. C. Reece gave a talk upon diversified farming.

The refreshment and entertainment ey, E. E. Curtis, and Lee Porter. A large number of visitors were present at the meeting. After the program and business session all passed to the basement where refreshments were served to those present.

The next regular meeting will be March 13 at the North Star school house at the usual time. MRS. HERVE PRENTICE. Reporter.

MIAMI COUNTY PLANS

OLD-TIME REVIVAL Wellsville, Kans., March 2, 1931. Mr. C. A. Ward,

Salina, Kansas; Dear Mr. Ward: We have linel out nine speaking dates in Miami county for you, commencing Monday night at Rock

Creek school house: Rock Creek Local Monday night, March 23; Osawatomie in hall Tues-day, March 24; Block Local Wednesday, March 25; Washington Local Thursday, March 26; Fontana Local, Friday, March 27. Osawatomie all-day meeting and basket dinner Saturday, a meeting for Saturday night with a of their secretary, Louie Marcotte, on member-at-large in the County Auxillocal over by Louisburg. The first meeting with Rock Creek Local is three miles east of Wellsville. The meeting at Osawatomie will be in the centre of Plum Creek, Osage Valley. Indianapolis, Union Valley and Beagle Local and if weather is good ought

only seven or eight miles distant. Now we would rather have you fill all dates if possible and especially Osawatomie dates Tuesday and Saturday.

Now we will try and have every thing lined up f or an old-time reviv al if so come prepared and we will try our best to put Miami in good grace Yours truly, S. J. LOHR.

F. U. LOCAL NO. 1498 Farmers Union Local No. 1498 of Greenwood county meets every 2nd am and 4th Friday at the home of one of the members, in alphabetical order. Friday evening, Feb. 27, we met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Martin with twenty members present. President Geo. Peet presided. The chief topic of discussion was the cooperation of members.

After the regular business meeting a pleasant social time was enjoyed by all. The hostess served a delicious

Paola, Kans., March 3, 1931. Mr. Kinney, Dear Brother:

Please change my address to Chester, Montana, also give Cal Ward and all the rest of the Farmers Union friends at Salina and over the state my best regards and I hope that the organization will grow and prosper and hope to meet all of you sometime later, but during that time I am going to keep an eye on you every one.

Respectfully, Geo. Frank and Family, Paola, Kansas.

LIBERTY LOCAL HAS REGULAR MEETING Liberty Local No. 782 of the Farmers Union of Waterville, Kansas, held its regular meeting February 25, 1931. The meeting was called to order by the president. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Bert Rietzel had planned on giving a talk on the "good of the order" but due to a bad cold, he was unable to do so. Mr. Travelute then gave a short but interesting talk on the above subject. It was brought before the house,

voted and carried that each member should send a card to the sick. Miss Claude Miller of Blue Rapids

gave a few suggestions on planning our program for the county meeting on Tuesday, March 3. Mr. H. D. McCord gave several selections on his uke. Four ladies of

the local gave a short play and the program was enjoyed.

Refreshments were served by the three ladies appointed and needless to cay all enjoyed them immensely.

The remainder of the evening was

spent visiting and singing

The refreshment committee for the
coming meeting are as follows: Charlie Copeland, Nick Branner, H. C. Rietzel. Program committee, Mrs. Fred Winkinwader, Mrs. Gene Norris, Mrs. John Tommer. Our next meeting will be March 25, 1931. Farmer friends and members are cordially in-

vited to attend.

MRS. JNO. TOMMER, Reporter.

MITCHELL COUNTY FARMERS UNION NOTICE

The meeting will be called at 10:30

an octette of youn men. Hugo Khors tive of the Farmers Union Livestock sang two vocal solos, "Lassie O' Mine" Commission Co. at Kansas City to

bers, "'Tis Morn" and "Love Came pect to have three bulk stations in Calling," Raymond Harper playing operation in the near future so we the piano accompaniment. Floyd Mc-

Just a word for farm relief. We are starting on another summer's work. Why not do like other business men do? If we have a problem that we The refreshment and entertainment committee for the month of March are W. A. McCune, chairman; Ira down to business. If we can't afford wineheaster J. N. Holms, Frank Garthese high priced things, let them go. Now the farmer always does his kicking after it is too late. Now we have too many high priced officers and school teachers. Just imagine a school teacher getting from \$100 to \$250 per mess end of farming, we have ormonth. This would take from 2 to 500 ganized the Ladies' Auxiliary to the bushels of wheat to pay such wages. bushels of wheat to pay such wages. How can we afford to continue such cational and Co-operative Union of expense and only 20 days in a month and short hours. Then take our postmasters with terribly large salaries.

Take the highway business, tearing out good bridges and making them out good bridges and making higher salaries.

America.

ARTICLE II

NAME—The name of this organization shall be "Ladies Auxiliary to the Kansas Division of the Farmers and the Kansas Division of the Farmers. more expensive all drawing big salaries. Now go back and see what we have to pay all of these things with. Our county's going behind and bonds being issued to get through. If this will get us out we had better increase being issued to get through. If this will get us out we had better increase our mortgages and try it. I think it just means a ruined community. Now then I think it is time to do a little thinking. Cut all salaries, get rid of a stead of getting in deeper.
THEO. STEINBRICK.

STONE LOCAL 792 EATS A jolly bunch of the members of visitors down to a bounteous lunch of chicken, soup, cake, pickles, etc. That justice was done to this repast is only to be some from Oak Grove for it is

LOCAL NO. 676 PASSES

Cawker City, Kans., March 6, 1931. Mr. A. M. Kinney, Salina, Kansas:

Dear Sir: I am sending you a couple of resolutions that our Local No. 676 passed the other evening and I would like for you to print them in your pa-

Thanking you for your kindness, I Yours respectfully, H. E. BOYD, Sec'y.

Farmers Local No. 676 knowing the misrepresentations that are being that county.

ARTICLE VI spread over the country against the Union Oil Co. and its products to which we are organizing in Mitchell county, Kansas, and which we are going to bring here to sell to the people, urge that each member of the Farmers Union do condemn the propaganda being put out by other oil companies The next meeting will be March 13 and people interested in other oil companies, and it is also our duty to urge MAUD BANGS, Corr. Sec'y.

GEORGE FRANK MOVES TO
CHESTER, MONTANA

CHESTER, MONTANA

CHESTER, MONTANA

WILL BANGS Our duty to urge every individual gas user to buy this product, to the end that we may establish this cooperative principle which will bring harmony out of the chaotic oil business today and fulfill the obligation that we each took when wo oined the Farmers Union.

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6928. Girls' Dress
Designed in Sizes: 8, 10, 12, 14 and 16 years. A 14 year size requires 3 ½ yards of 39 inch material. To finish with bias binding requires 5 ½ yards 1½ inch wide. Price 16c.

7121. Misses' Two Piece "Ensemble" Designed in Sises: 16, 18 and 20 years. A 16 year size requires 5 ½ yards of 39 inch material. To line jacket requires 1% yard. The tie requires % yard of a bias strip of material 5 inches wide. Price 18c.

Ladies' Auxiliary

tablishing a Ladies Auxiliary. As a matter of general information that may be a help in answering such questions we are inserting here the Constitution and By-Laws of the Aux-

Constitution and By-Laws of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Farmers Educational and Co-operative Union of America, 1926

ARTICLE I PREAMBLE AND PURPOSE — Realizing that the farm women are equally interested with the farm men operative system, to improve rural life by making it more attractive, to build better homes and schools, to promote a more friendly relation between neighbors, to discuss the various problems of rural life, to more intelligently use the ballot, to teach cooperation and loyalty to the farm organization work, to provide wholes for our facility.

In the F. E. & C. U. of A. With the band of faithful few; Then the victory, my brother, May depend on you.

Chorus

ARTICLE XII

ORDER OF BUSINESS—
Call to order by President.
Roll call by Secretary.
Reading of minutes of meeting of minutes of meeting the provide wholes and instructive entertains.

Reading of minutes of meeting the provide wholes are the provide w prises that will lead to higher and nobler things in life, and to create a greater interest among farmers in their responsibility toward the busi-

Educational and Co-operative Union

ARTICLE III
MEMBERSHIP. Sec. 1—Any wo-

thinking. Cut all salaries, get rid of a lot of expense and try and get out instead of getting in deeper.

Sec. 2—In order to relate assistance and benefits to the Farmlers Union locals, each member shall hold her membership in the Auxiliary hold her membership in the state of the salaries and benefits to the Farmlers Union locals, each member shall hold her membership in the salaries as sistance and benefits to the Farmlers Union locals, each member shall hold her membership in the salaries as sistance and benefits to the Farmlers Union locals, each member shall hold her membership in the salaries as sistance and try and get out instance and get out ins organization organized within her

Farmers Union local.
Sec. 3—Where no Auxiliary has been organized within a Farmers Un-Stone Local 792 gathered at the home ion local, any woman may become a the women members sat members and Farmore Union lead within her own Farmers Union local, which fact then does automatically make her a mem-

stating the facts lightly. Every one left at a late hour, thanking Mr. and Mrs. Marcotte and family for their fine hospitality, and the fine time experienced in their home. By one who was there.

CHAS. THOMAS.

ARTICLE IV

MEETINGS—The State meeting of the Kansas Division, Farmers Educational and Co-operative Union of America shall be on the date and at the place of meeting the same as the State Union.

The local and county meetings shall southwater North Dakota, and southwater North Dakota. The local and county meetings shall be as they decide in their local and RESOLUTIONS county Auxiliaries.

ARTICLE V QUORUM. Sec. 1—A quorum at the state meeting shall consist of representatives from a majority of the counties in which the Ladies' Auxliary of the Kansas Division Farmers Educational and Co-operative Union of America has been organized. Sec. 2-A quorum for a local meet-

ing shall consist of 5 members in good standing. Sec. 3—A quorum for a county Resolved that we, the members of meeting shall require representatives Farmers Local No. 676 knowing the from five of the local Auxiliaries in

> DELEGATES-Each local, county and district Auxiliary in good stand-ing on the books of the State Secretary shall be entitled to one delegate

Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, a Lecturer and a Chaplain. A Board of Directors of five members and an advisory council of five male

erative Union of America each year.

Sec. 3—The committees shall be appointed by the President of the Auxliary.

ARTICLE VIII
DUTIES. Sec. 1—The President shall act as chairman at all meetings, appoint all committees, call special meetings, have supervision over the work and, cast the deciding vote in case of a tie.

Sec. 2—The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President ally expected that tank car prices will

in our Farmers Union Bank.

Sec. 5—The Lecturer will, when called upon, visit the local auxiliaries

and talk on the principles and purposes of our Auxiliary.
Sec. 6—The duties of the other officers shall be such as are implied by

There has been considerable inquiry from different counties as to what to do and how to do it in especial what to do and how t

part of this constitution.

ARTICLE X

DUES—The annual dues per member shall be \$1.00 payable in advance of this amount 50c per member shall be state dues and 20c county dues and the 70c shall be remitted to the state secretary and she will remit the state secretary and she will remit the source of the dues to the county share of the dues to stand among the few, With the faithful tried and true, For the victory may depend on you.

See the mighty host of evil Spreading death throughout the land!

Who is there will answer quickly, state secretary and she will remit the county share of the dues to the county secretary, quarterly, at the close of the quarter. Where there is no county organization, the dues shall be held in the state treasury, until such time as there is one. The balance of thirty cents (30c) will remain in the local treasury.

ARTICLE XI

RULES. Sec. 1—Usual rules and Who is there will answer quickly, And the hosts of sin withstand! Do not fear to join our standard, For our ranks are tried and true, And the victory, my brother, May depend on you.

Chorus

Lo, a triumph day is coming, When our arms shall be laid down; Then each faithful loyal soldier

Shall, receive a victor's crown:

RULES. Sec. 1-Usual rules and

Unfinished Business.

Subject for discussion. Remarks for good of the order.

scrap book and clip out this copy of By-Laws and the suggestions for programe that appear in this department from time to time and thus preserve them for future reference. Do this whether you have an Auxiliary organization in your server words. Adojurnment. this whether you have an Auxiliary organization in your Local or not for you may have sometime if not now, and it will greatly assist you in carrying out your work. We are also reprinting the official song of the Auxiliary:

Thru' the land a call is sounding, And it comes to age and youth, 'Tis the summons to the conflict, In the cause of right and truth; To the standard of our captain, Lo, there comes a faithful few; But the victory, my brother,

VICTORY MAY DEPEND ON YOU

Shall, receive a victor's crown;

Last week we told you we wanted New Business.

Assignment of subject and meeting made and a cash prize of three dollars will be given for the slogan chosen by the committee of judges. Five impartial individuals whose names will not be revealed but who are

Send your suggestions to E. L. Bullard, Vassar, Kans., before April 15th. Mr. Bullard will hold them until closing date of the contest when he will then turn them over to the judges.

Watch this space next week for another song to use in your meetings.



COOPERATIVE OIL NEWS

HOWARD A. COWDEN,

PRESIDENT

LEMMON, SOUTH DAKOTA,

J. E. Rice of Scranton who was re-

cently elected a member of the board of directors of the Union Oil Company, made an enthusiastic talk in which he told of his trip to Kansas City to attend the last annual convention of the Union Oil Company. He said, "The only thing I could see that it was not long enough. This movement has grown to such large proportions we should in the future annual convention instead of one. It was a great deal of a surprise and just as much satisfaction that I noticed there was not a single kicker in the meeting. Everyone seemed to be enthusiastic about the progress the company has made and its or harmonious meeting. To me, the profits for the first nine months were Union Oil Company is a "melting pot" \$5,895.00, nearly 1,000 per cent of at the state meeting, who shall be elected each year at the first regular meeting in September.

ARTICLE VII

OFFICERS. Sec. 1—There shall be in this organization a President, a er members of the Farmers Union, Equity, Farm Bureau, and other Cosene, and 7,000 gallons of oil.

members from the Farmers Union.
Standing Committees of three members each on credentials, constitution and by-laws, good of the order, entertainment, organization, membership and education.
Sec. 2—These officers shall be elected at the annual meeting of the State Auxiliary of the Kansas Division Farmers Educational and Co-operative Union of America each year.

Cooperate."

A number of other splendid talks were made at the Lemmon meeting. It was the unanimous opinion of those present that the Union Oil Company should add a line of tires, stock dips, and disinfectants, and that they should be of a quality equal to that of Union Certified.

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perform the duties of the President ally expected that tank car prices will in her absence.

Sec. 3—The Secretary shall cause all proceedings of meetings to be properly recorded, attend to all correspondence collect all due and collect all due and collect all due and

properly recorded, attend to all correspondence, collect all dues and receipts for same, keep a complete list of the members of each local auxiliary, and issue to the secretary of each local auxiliary the membership cards for her members, as she remits for same.

A reduction in crude was announced at the same time, running from 25c to 40c per barrel. The cut came after the proposed tariff on foreign crude failed. This failure of passage was due to the pressure of the big companies and is just another indication that they are making it as hard as posfrom the Secretary all monies belonging to the State Auxiliary and receipt her for same. She shall pay all bills and the funds shall be deposited in our Farmers Union Bank chasing organization.

BREWSTER, KANSAS, COOPER-

leading distributors of Union Certi-MEETING fied, once they "hit the pace".

HOXIE, KANSAS, ORDERS

BULK STATION Through the Union Oil Company the Cooperative Oil Compan Hoxie, Kansas, placed an order for complete bulk station equipment. They expect to install it at once, and will soon be distributing Union Certifed products. A splendid board of direc-tors has been selected including Frank Hall, president; H. R. Mowery, L. J. Callaway, J. J. Aelke, and Carl Schwartz.

ference held in Aberdeen, South Dakota, every company represented reported successful operation. Some of the reports we remember were:

H. B. Engle, manager at Ipswich, said his company started in March, opportunity for future development. I 1930, with \$600.00 capital stock which have never seen a more enthusiastic had been increased to \$1,500.00. The \$5,895.00, nearly 1,000 per cent of their original capital. They handled

A. M. Hoven, manager of the Selby Equity Exchange, said his company had operated the Oil Department just twelve months at a profit of a little more than \$8,000.00. They handled 250,000 gallons of gasoline and kerosene. They will distribute Union Certified exclusively in the future. They have just ordered a quarter of a car-load of Union Certified to be shipped from the new Union Oil warehouse at Aberdeen.

The manager from Woonsocket, The manager from woonsocket, Phil Trembley, reported they had operated three years. The first year they made \$4,000.00. The second year, \$6,000.00, and the last year, \$8.700.00. They have just paid a 10 per cent patronage dividend. Their volume for the past year was 350,000 gallons of gasoline and kerosene. They had just received a car of oil made in their Compounding Plant in North Kansas City, Missouri.

Manager Ross, from St. Lawrence,

said they had not operated a year, but for the first four months they paid a refund of 2 3-4c per gallon. He had

AUDITS SHOW STEADY PRO-GRESS FOR COOPERATIVES

We have received during the past several weeks copies of audits from a number of Union Certified companies. The importance of having regular audits made cannot be over-valued. The reports we have received show a record of progress for each of the companies, and without exception the payment of substantial dividends. GOAL-TO DOUBLE VOLUME

In commenting on the recent reduc Sec. 6—The duties of the other officers shall be such as are implied by
their respective titles.

The local Auxiliaries secretaries
shall make report and remittance to
the state secretary for the dues of its
members. These reports to the state
secretary shall be made at least as
often as quarterly.

AMENDMENTS—This constitution

BREWSTER, KANSAS, COOPERATIVE GETS WELL UNDER WAY

"The more I study the oil proposition and chances for Cooperatives to
succeed in the marketing for petroleum products, the more I become sold
on the proposition," writes Clifford
Miller, the progressive manager of
the Farmers Cooperative Association
at Brewster, Kansas.

Complete Union Bulk Station equipment was recently shipped to Brewproduct, and one that will meet any tion in tank wagon and service station often as quarterly.

ARTICLE IX

AMENDMENTS—This constitution may be amended at any regular meeting of the Auxiliary by a majority vote of the members present, provid
ARTICLE IX

Complete Union Bulk Station equipment was recently shipped to Brewster and the aggressive way in which they are getting into the matter indicates that they will be one of the long to the front.



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Farmers Union Co-operative **Creamery Association**

Kansas City, Mo.

A little over \$99.00 is what Cooperation paid Frank Fuller last year.
This is the amount of refund he received on 1,500 gallons of oil which
he purchased through his Cooperative Oil Company at Willowlake, South Dakota, during 1930. Mr. Fuller placed an order for 900 gallons of Union Certified a few days ago to be shipped in a carload going to Willowlake. By changing to the Cooperative brand Mr. Fuller is making it possible for himself to also participate through his local company, in the wholesale profits on his lubricating oil.

DOES IT PAY?

DEMONSTRATION SERIES

to be held at Yankton, Woonsocket, ings they are giving the customers in St. Lawrence, Aberdeen, and Selby their territories an unusual opportunwill begin on March 16th with the ity to get first hand information as

meeting at Yankton in the afternoon. to how lubricating oils and greases Hugo Stolberg, Chief Chemist of are made. Mr. Stolberg will also run the Union Oil Company, will make a some interesting tests on gasoline and complete demonstration showing the kerosene.

various tests of oil and why one lubricating oil is better than another. The meetings have been arranged as an outgrowth of a very insistent de-mand because of interest created at a recent meeting held at Aberdeen, South Dakota, whee representatives from these points saw Mr. Stolberg's emonstration.

Wakeeney, Kansas

The Woonsocket and St. Lawrence meetings will be held on the afternoon and evening of the 17th, and the Aberdeen, and Selby meetings on the afternoon and evening of the 18th.

The local companies at each point are advertising the meetings extensively, and expect to have a good te-A series of South Dakota meetings tendance. By arranging for the meet-

Farmers Union Jobbing Association **Grain and Merchandising News**

Grain receipts in Kansas City continue to be heavy. We had supposed that by the first of March receipts would fall off very materially, but at by the first of March receipts would fall off very materially, but at ly installed and meets the requirements of the Electrical Code. Disthe present time they have not shown very much decrease, although our the present time they have not shown very much decrease, atthough our connect electrical appliances when road men report that deliveries to the country elevators are falling off very not in use, and do not use old wornmaterially. In that case we will probably get lighter receipts in the next week or so.

Our field men are asking the cooperative elevators to sign the following statement.

The undersigned (local association) a stockholder of record in good standing in The Jobbing Association of the Kansas Branch of the National Farmers Educational and Cooperative Union, hereby certifies that only actual producers of agricultural products are eligible to membership or to hold stock in said local association; that not less than ninety per cent of the present stockholders of said local association are actual producers of agricultural products; that said association has engaged not to deal in, and is not now dealing in, the products of non-members or non-stockholders to an amount greater in value than such as are handled by it for members of stockholders.

This has been asked by the Farmers National Grain Corporation of us in order that they may know that our member association qualifies under the Agricultural Marketing Act.

We are now making up our statement of business done with the Farmers National Grain Corporation so that profits from that organization may be set up to us as a stockholder on a pro-rato basis. I think it is the duty of materials and proper construction will said he was sorry to say that 70 per all the cooperative organizations to see to it that they qualify under the pay large dividends in satisfaction cent of the oleo consumption is in the Capper Volstead Law. There are about three things that are essential. (1) Your vote must be limited to one vote, regardless of the number of shares owned by an individual. (2) You should limit the interest on common stock to not more than 8%. (3) You should not deal in the products of non-members or non-stockholders to an amount greater in value than such amount handled by it for members or stockholders.

The Farmers Union Jobbing Association may qualify in every respect se far as our by-laws and charter are concerned, yet if our member stockholders do not qualify it would disqualify us, so it is very necessary that all our stockholders qualify under the Agricultural Marketing Act and also the Capper-Volstead.

Mr. Stiles of the Broughton Cooperative organization and his board of directors made us a very pleasant call yesterday. This is one of the good far as fire insurance rates were conprosperous cooperative elevators at Broughton, Kansas. They seem to be a fine bunch of farmers and have very good business judgment.

We are storing some wheat for the Grain Stabilization Corporation at Alton, Kansas with the Osborne County Farmers Union. This elevator is licensed under the Kansas Warehouse Law which issues Warehouse Receipts. if there was concerted action on the Our Salina office has been buying wheat for the past two or three part of the farmers of Kansas to remonths for the Grain Stabilization Corporation and has taken most all the

wheat that has come to Salina. Our St. Joe office has done a very satisfactory business through Feb ruary and so far in this month.

The writer expects to be at Chicago Monday in conference with Mr. Huff in regard to loans for some of our cooperative institutions in Kansas. H. E. Witham, Mgr.

FARM BOARD TO SELL WHEAT TO MILLS

According to a message from Kansas City, the Farm Board will sell wheat to mills on a basis comparable with the price at which wheat is being sold for export, the wheat being given to mills at the set price and when proof is furnished that the flour has been exported the board will rebate the difference between the domestic and export price of wheat.

F. U. LIVESTOCK MARKETING NOTES

FARMERS UNION LIVE STOCK MARKETING NOTES

With the lightest receipts here this week that we have had for a good many months, together with an upturn in the eastern beef market, the result has been a decided change for the better in fat cattle prices. The bulk of the fed steers show an advance of fully 50c per cwt., and on certain tesy and consideration they have givclasses from 75c to \$1 per cwt. The top of \$10.25 was paid for heavy steers, and was the highest price since the early part of February. Medium weight steers sold up to \$9.75, there being no strictly choice cattle of this weight among the offerings. The bulk of the short fed steers are selling from \$7.50 to \$8.50, which is fully 50c to 75c higher than the same cattle would have brought a week ago.

While our cow market shows only strong to 25c higher prices, fed heifers and baby beeves have advanced fully 50c per cwt. The bulk of fat heifers weighing under 750 pounds are now selling from \$7 to \$7.50, and heavy weights from \$6.25 to \$7. Baby beeves are bringing from \$7 to \$8, depending on the flesh. All classes of stock cattle are closing 25c higher prices, fed the south Dakota Farmers Union, and heavy weights from \$6.25 to \$7. Baby beeves are bringing from \$7 to \$7.50, and heavy weights from \$6.25 to \$7. Baby beeves are bringing from \$7 to \$8, depending on the flesh. All classes of stock cattle are closing 25c higher prices, fed then deach of these demonstrations.

Bill Humphrey, an "old wheelhorse" of the South Dakota Farmers Union, made a rousing talk in which he told about his trip to Kansas City in January to attend the annual meeting of the Union Oil Company. He said, "It was the most remarkable meeting I have ever attended. Seven states were represented by about one hundred and fifty men, and everyone was a boost-

week. Medium weight and heavy killing calves are holding steady for the fifty men, and everyone was a boost-storing wheat in this country and is

(Butcher Alley)		
Lewis Olson, Lyon Co., Kansas, 25 steers	972	\$9.7
S. H. McKnight, Cadwell Co., Mo., 36 steers	1226	9.2
C. H. Jones, Geary Co., Kansas, 24 steers	999	9.0
W. H. Parry, Coffey Co., Kansas, 25 steers	967	8.4
H. R. Falk, Wabaunsee Co., Kans., 25 steers	1073	8.4
C. H. Jones, Geary Co., Kansas, 24 steers	986	8.2
A. H. Keckser, Wabaunsee Co., Kansas, 24 steers	1182	7.9
A. E. French, Osage Co., Kansas, Steers	816	7.7
Max Wilson, Sedgwick Co., Kans., 44 steers	1272	7.6
G. J. Tobler, Osage Co., Kansas, Steers	727	7.3
Sam Fields, McPherson Co., Kans., Steers	1052	6.7
(Steer Alley)	•	16
Oscar Leffman, Lafayette Co., Mo., Heifers	672	\$8.0
John Kile, Hiley Co., Kansas, Heifers	623	7.7
Leonard Ice, Douglas Co., Kansas, Heifers	725	7.6
w Falk Wabaunsee Co., Kansas, 63 Heifers	715	7.5
Chas. Margreiter, Mitchell Co., Kansas, 27 Heifers	678	7,0
J. C. Townley, Labanon, Nebraska, car mixed yearlings	790	7.0
Leonard Froeschle, Lafayette Co., Mo., Fed Calves	530	7.0
John L. Dunham, Clay Co., Kansas, Heifers	919	6.7
John L. Dunham, Clay Co., Kansas, Cows.	1203	6.0
P. H. Kilzer, Lebanon, Nebr., 40 cows	1020	5.0
John G. Reyner, Shawnee Co., Kansas, Stosk Cows	. 848	5.0

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Careless use of gasoline and kerosene has caused many destructive fires and loss of life. Do not keep gasoline it will surely prove to be a fire haz-

FIRE PREVENTION
ON THE FARM are properly installed and maintained.
This means that all stove pipes leading from stoves to chimneys are protected, that there is a metal covered

property. Smoking in or near barns bors d under the stove. If there is a wash house or store house adjoining the dwelling house, do not put an old

guard against a gasoline or kerosene fire.

plan to see that the wiring is proper-

The eight causes are responsible for about two-thirds of the farm fire losses. The remaining losses are usually put down as unknown, or mis-

One of the best safeguards aganst unknown or miscellaneous causes of fire, is to keep the premises free from itter and rubbish. Also, do not use a closet in the dwelling as a catch-all. glad of it. He also complimented C. Do not allow greasy clothing or rags to accumulate. Take all steps possible sas Farmers Union, and president of paper. to prevent a fire and thereby help save lives and property. The average farmer does not expect to have a fire but the unexpected often happens and sometimes the results are very ser-

Where new farm buildings are being erected, fire protective construction should be considered. A little more money spent for fire resisting

To guard against fire spreading from one building to another, the pre-vailing winds and the distance between buildings should be taken into consideration. Usually a clear space of 150 feet between the larger buildings

insures security. Our company has recognized the fact for some time that the farmer with fire resistant buildings and buildings equipped with standard lightning rods and electrically lighted, was entitled to some consideration as cerned, and at this time has made certain reductions in rates to take care of this class of risks.

Fire insurance rates are based on ratio of losses to premium income and duce fire losses, in my opinon the fire rates would be reduced.

As the matter now stands, a set of farm buildings are rated according to construction and occupancy. Every home owner, whether living in town or country, should have the protection of a fire insurance policy. But there are many things that can be destroyed by a fire, that cannot be covered by a fire insurance policy. Can one place a value on the family, keepsakes, or treasures? I know from my experience in adjusting fire claims that there are many valuables and keepsakes destroyed by fire that cannot be replaced. Therefore, I am asking the farmers of Kansas to do evit the local elevator. This has erything they can within reason to re- been corrected by the organization of

duce the fire loss in Kansas in 1931. Terminal and National organizations Umberger and Walter G. Ward, Ex-tension architect of the Kansas State them through the retailer, leaving Agrcultural College at Manhattan, out the army of middlemen that have Kansas, for the information that they have given us regarding Fire Protective Construction on the farm, and I ion Jobbing Association of Kansas am sure that the Extension Depart-City, Mo., and the National Grain

the W. I. B. W. staff for the cour-

Good-night.

CO-OP OIL MANAGERS AND DIRECTORS HAVE CONFERENCE

(continued from page 1)
Lawrence, and Woonsocket. Severa hundred people are expected to at-

5 to "quit building up some other company-come on over wth us, and let's build our own company. Let's develop the biggest oil company in the United

pany, and of the new companies which have recently become members. He also told how Cooperative Oil Companies may become exempt from the definition of the meeting. They realize how through the meeting. They realize how through the meeting. They realize how through was brought back into the community from farm products or the farmer's payments of income tax. He announced the Union Oil Company was constructing a warehouse in Aberdeen where stocks of Union Certified oils and greases would be carried, and from which shipments would be made to points in North and South Dalots. The Union Oil Employees' Association was discussed at length, and at

the conclusion each company represented said they expected to handle tires distributed by the Union Oil Company, and take advantage of the group insurance which is to be paid for in full by the profits on automobile and truck tires.

Mr. Cowden announced the company was considering the manufacture of

sene has caused many destructive fires and loss of life. Do not keep gasoline or kerosene in the dwelling house. Do not use gasoline or kerosene to start or revive a fire. Do not use cleaning fluids near a stove; better do that sort of thing out of doors. Many people have been seriously burned and many lives have been lost and much property has been destroyed on account of carelessness in handling gasoline and kerosene.

See that the stoves and furnaces worn it will surely prove to be a fire hazing in the prove to take all managers and directors of Coopertive Oil Companion of the graph in the prove to take all managers and directors of Coopertive Oil Companion of the prove to take all managers and directors of Coopertive Oil Companion of the prove to take all managers and the prove to take all managers an

dwelling, and some of his family barely escaped with their lives. A good fire extinguisher is the only safe-successful from the standpoint of values. It was the opinion of everyone presume that the meeting had been very successful from the standpoint of values. It was the opinion of everyone presume information on the Farmuable informatoin received, and that ers Union Insurnce.
by becoming better acquainted they Following the meeting an oyster colud work together to better advan-A good many farm homes are now colud work together to better advan-lighted by electricity and it is a good tage, and tha tsimilar meetings should be held in the future.

> TISDALE FARMERS ADDRESSED' BY UNION OFFICIALS

(continued from page 1) drastic drop from 20 per cent in 1912. That business men are more and more showing an interest in the farm problems, is an observation made by the Union secretary. Business interests are backing up the farm program all over the state, he finds.

Mr. Kinney complimented the Grange and Farm Bureau and said he the National Farmers Union who was responsible for the stabilization feature in the marketing act as it was finally adopted. He said the farmers should be proud of the committee of farm organizations and their influence in Topeka. Farmers Use Oleo

A brief discussion was given to the subject of oleomargarine, Mr. Kinney rural communities. He said the farm organizations hope to head off the sale of oleomargarine. In speaking of the income tax, he

said that if the farmers knew what it meant they would be for it 100 per Ivan J. Scott presided at the meetng. Music was furnished by the Flor-

al quartet. Neal Dulaney, representing the Farmers Union Life Insurance company, gave a short talk on the Union

insurance plan. A number of Winfield men attended the meeting including the following: Robert Bloomfield, Roy Ferry, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lynn, Dr. R. M. Hilfinger, Dr. C. A. Martin, Frank Jarvis, Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Irvin, H. W. Herrick, Ira L. Plank, L. B. Crawford and E. H. Aicher. About 75 people heard Mr. Kinney's address .-Winfield Courrier.

FARMERS UNION MEETING

(continued from page 1) mistakes just the same as every bus iness or individual that tries to do their part through life-is going to make mistakes. The business or in-dividual that should be given the greatest criticism are those that won't do their part. He told of the big mistake that was made when they organized Co-operative Elevators all over the State but let the grain go In closing, I wish to thank Dean which take the farm products from accumulated ' fortunes off farmers. He named the Farmer's Unment would be glad to help any farm-er in his building problems.

Corporation that markets our grain and the Farmer's Union Produce As-Also, we thank Senator Capper and sociation that handles our eggs, cream and poultry, selling it direct, through the Eastern Representative to the retailers.

Mr. Kinney praised the work of the Farm Board and the National Farm Marketing Act. He told of how Mr. C. E. Huff, National President of the Farmers Union presented an amend-ment to the original Act. The original act was charging any loss back on the farmer while Mr. Huff's

ty-five cents duty and still get more than they could get in London. Mr. Kinney told how business or-

States—and on the Cooperative basis."

Vice-President Kearns, of the Union Oil Company, in a stirring talk told of the rapid development of the Company, and of the new companies which have recently become members. He also Mr. Kinney told how business organizations were backing and helping in the Co-operative Marketing of the farmers. At a recent meeting at Hackney in Cowley County, twenty five representatives from the Winfield Chamber of Commerce attended the meeting. They realize how through

ommunity.

Mr. Kinney told of how the farmers in our State Legislature met at a ers in our State Legislature met at a noon luncheon every Tuesday to discuss the effect of each bill upon the farmers of the State. This move was sponsored by representatives of the Farmers Union. It is just one of the many ways that the annual dues of each member are spent. These dues are returned many times in the says. are returned many times in the sav-ings in taxes to the farmers by this organization getting bills passed and defeating others.

stock dip, and fly sprays. He said they could be made with very little additional equipment and expense. The managers and directors all favored defeating others.

Mr. Kinney was convinced that the farmers in the community believed in the Farmers Union Organization and asks each man to get behind the organization as an active member as

high class talent in our community. Mr. W. S. McKee gave us some in

Louis Sawyer.

supper was served.

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES

(continued from page 3) Therefore be it further resolved that we thank these our friends for put-ting out this propaganda for it ceris not only his privilege but his duty this United States." to buy these products when we get them here, that it will help to bring peace and prosperity to this part of the country.

And be it further resolved that we send a copy of these to our Farmers belonged to the farm bureau and was Union paper for publication and that we have them printed in our county

FRANKLIN CO. MEETING MAR. 16

Ottawa, Kans., Mar. 7, 1931. Mrs. Morgan wanted me to announce our County meeting at Wellsville Opera House March 16. Mr. Harry Witham will be speaker at this meeting.

Everybody is snowbound here in Yours, L. A. Zerbe.

FRANKLIN LOCAL NO. 1901

Franklin Local No. 1301, Ellsworth county, met in regular session Tuesday evening, March 3, 1931. Owing to was not up to standard, yet we had an interesting session. Times like the present afford many avenues for discussion. If you want to hear an animated talk, just interest Mrs. Grace Gregory. She ranks second to none. Something of the spicy tang of her vigorous personality finds its way into her cooking as well. Her various dishes are so luscious that we're hungry just writing about them. Little Lois Droegemeir was pianist for the evening and her progress in music under Miss Grace Remick, teacher in district 30, is marvelous. Our next meeting falls on March 17—this calls for color scheme refreshments. Let us have a perfect attendance. Please send a pin and note book. I

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> will ever be erected or not, we wish to repeat for our readers a tribute to the unknown farmer expressed by Mrs. Charles W. Sewell, the talented farm organization leader and wife of an Indiana farmer:

"The unknown farmer lives and dies a life of service for others unheralded and unsung. Legion is his name. He lives in your country and mine. He dwells on the plains of the Texas Panhandle and in the farthest recesses of the Kentucky mountains.

"This unknown farmer doesn't amount to much. He doesn't make a great deal of noise. He is seldom acclaimed in the headlines. Public speeches are a bit out of his line. He flies no red flags. He lives unobtrusively. At elections he votes his concounter attractions, our attendance victions. He is one of the great aver-

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