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TIME TO PAY YOUR DUES IN YOUR UNION

Amount of \$2.75 Due Your Local Secretary, of Which \$1.95 Must Be Sent to State Office in Salina; How Divided

NO INITIATION FEE

Your Organization, to Do the Good it is Supposed to Do, Must Have Receipts from Membership; Dues Due First of Year

The Kansas Farmers Union is starting the new year with several new Locals and with several old Locals revived and taking a new lease on life. Renewed interest is apparent throughout the state. The stage is set for a good year for the Kansas Farmers Union during 1934.

Quite a large number of new Local and county union officers are entering into their new duties. These officers will find that they have plenty to do, but that it is not hard work when they can get the cooperation of the membership in their Locals. When every member realizes that he or she has a certain responsibility, and willingly accepts that responsibility and does his or her part, then a Local moves forward, and it is much easier for the Local officers to give a good account of the Local's work.

Required Dues
Just a few words about dues and collection of dues will be appropriate here. New officers as well as new members may find this information valuable. Information relative to dues is contained in the regular Constitution and By-Laws booklet, a supply of which every Local should have. However, this booklet does not contain the latest information relative to initiation fees, which the Kansas Farmers Union is eliminating.

The amount of dues which each member is required to pay, whether a renewal membership or a new membership, is \$2.75. This goes to the Local secretary-treasurer. The Local keeps 80 cents of this, and sends the remaining \$1.95 to the state Farmers Union secretary-treasurer at Salina. The state office sets aside 20 cents of this amount, and sends it back to the county Farmers Union organization, at which time the state office, at its discretion, may send 25 cents, and sends it to the National Farmers Union secretary-treasurer, E. E. Kennedy, Kankakee, Ill. That leaves \$1.50 for the state Farmers Union to use for all purposes, including expenses of all kinds, funds to carry on work looking forward getting the right kind of laws at the hands of our lawmakers, traveling expenses, organization expenses, meeting expenses, wages, office expenses, correspondence costs, costs of publishing the weekly paper which goes to all members, and a number of other items.

Some Locals have adopted the practice of simply collecting the amount from each member which has to go to the state office, \$1.95. The 80 cents in each case is not collected from the member. Other Locals collect only a part of the 80 cents from their members, or, after having collected it, refund part of it back to the member. Theoretically, however, the full \$2.75 is due from each member. Of course, the 80 cents belongs

to the Local and it can do whatever it sees fit to do with it. If the Local has plenty of money on hand, or has some other manner of collecting it, it may make the refund without running into financial difficulties. However, in light of the fact that most industrial organizations require from ten to twenty times the amount of Farmers Union dues, and in light of the fact that the Farmers Union is of such general and specific importance and value to each and every farmer, most members are glad to pay the full \$2.75 yearly dues.

Dues Payable Now
All dues are due and payable on the first of the year. Membership cards are good until the end of the 31st day of December in any stated or current year. After New Year's day comes in, the member has no membership card showing his dues paid up, until such new dues are paid. All good members should realize that it is necessary for the organization, which is their own and of their own making, to have dues come in promptly when due. The organization has plenty of work without running up expenses. If it has no money with which to pay expenses, it cannot operate effectively and cannot do the work it is supposed to do.

Secretaries of Locals should make every effort to collect current dues, (continued on page 4)

WARD TO REPORT ON WASHINGTON FARM MEETING

Large Number of Nationally Known Farm Leaders Taking Part in Conference in Washington, Looking to Improvement in Present Programs

A number of timely topics were discussed in a conference of national farm organizations and farm leaders, held in Washington on Friday, December 22, and called by Henry A. Wallace, Secretary of Agriculture. Some of the issues brought up at that conference have not yet been decided. Possible amendments to the Agricultural Adjustment Act, and administrative policies under the act, were discussed, and still are under discussion. Chester C. Davis, new Administrator of the Act, is taking a leading part in the discussions.

The Kansas Union Farmer will have an authentic report on the conference for its readers, upon the return to Kansas of Cal Ward, state Farmers Union president, who was one of the delegates to Washington for the conference.

Among those asked to attend the conference were: John A. Simpson, president National Farmers Union; E. A. O'Neal, American Farm Bureau Federation; M. W. Thatcher, Farmers' National Grain Corporation; Cal Ward, Farmers' Educational and Cooperative Union; Clifford V. Gregg, executive director The Prairie Farmer; Earl Smith, Illinois Agricultural Association; F. E. Mollin, American National Livestock Association; William Hirth, editor The Missouri Farmer; W. R. Ronald, editor The Evening Republican, Mitchell, S. D.; Ralph Snyder, president, Kansas State Farm Bureau Federation; Joe H. Anderson, Thompson, Iowa; Clarence Poe, editor The Progressive Farmer, Raleigh, N. C.; C. O. Moser, American Cotton Growers Association; Charles A. Ewing, National Livestock Producers' Association; A. W. Ricker, publisher, Farmers' Union Herald, St. Paul, Minn.; Judge John D. Witten, Dairyman's League, New York City; Charles W. Holman, National Cooperative Milk Producers' Federation; H. G. Kenney, president, Farmers Union of Nebraska; Robin Hood, American Institute of Cooperation; Louis J. Taber, master, National Grange.

CAMPAIGN AGAINST DIRECT SELLING OF HOGS TO PACKERS GAINS MOMENTUM

(Written especially for the Kansas Union Farmer by A. M. Kinney, field representative for the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Co., and vice president of the Kansas Farmers Union)

A news article coming from Galesburg, Ill., published in Kansas City Daily Drovers Telegram of December 21, says:

"At a mass meeting of farmers held here this week it was reported that 9,000 farmers located in the counties of Knox, Warren, Henry, Mercer, Henderson, Hancock and Rock Island, signed a pledge not to ship any hogs direct to packers. Several other counties were represented in Tuesday's meeting and the circulation of the pledge will be extended by voluntary workers. Already the effect is evident in shipments from this region, producers being determined to stop the direct selling of hogs."

Here is the pledge: "It is self evident that the packers buying hogs direct in the country is the ruin of the live stock industry. This was proven by the losing fight of the commission firms on the Chicago and other terminal markets during the period of Nov. 9 to Nov. 18. Therefore, we, the undersigned, do hereby agree and promise that we will not market any live stock whatsoever for a period of 6 months, direct to packers. Present low prices have become intolerable partly through efforts of packers to shift the entire amount of processing tax back to live stock producers. We recognize that individual farmers are unable to cope with this problem. We urge that the Secretary of Agriculture exercise the powers now vested in him to curb the unfair and vicious methods now practiced by some pack-

ers in buying hogs direct, and we pledge our support to the Secretary in the adoption of a program which will bring direct marketing of live stock under proper control."

The Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Co. opened a campaign against the direct marketing of hogs to packers early last spring. We have held more than 200 meetings of farmers and the campaign is bringing results. The Farmers Union is still living up to its record of pioneering against discrimination by big business against the farmer. Other states are taking up the fight against this practice of the packers getting their supply of hogs direct from the country, thereby enabling them to manipulate the price of the live stock. Some states have already introduced bills in their legislature to curb this practice as far as it can be done by state laws. Iowa has introduced a measure in their state legislature designed to place direct live stock marketing under closer supervision of the state secretary of Agriculture.

At the next session of the Kansas Legislature the Committee of Kansas Farm organizations will no doubt see that a law of this kind is passed in Kansas. I have written for a copy of this Iowa law. Unless some action is taken immediately against this practice of the packers the farmers will continue to pay the processing tax. Two (continued on page 2)

REAL 'BOOSTERS' ARE WORKING IN FARMERS UNION

Two Letters Tell Interesting Story of Accomplishments of Locals and of Men who Have Interests of Union at Heart

INVOLVE OLD LOCALS
Local 646 and Dane Local Been Organized Nearly Quarter of Century; This is First Report to State Paper from Local No. 646

One of the most interesting meeting reports received by the Kansas Union Farmer for this week is one coming from a local which has been going along steadily for years but which never has sent in a report to the state paper. The editor wishes to say right here that this report is welcome, not only in the state office, but by all the readers throughout the state who will have the opportunity to read it and to know what this local is doing.

That is the very reason why the Kansas Union Farmer likes to receive reports of meetings. That is why they are printed. It affords different locals and different localities an opportunity to see what others are thinking and what they are doing.

Another letter this week has to do with the same meeting as the one reported and mentioned above. Ordinarily, these reports are printed under the caption "NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES," but the editor is imposing on the kindness of John Reidy and Anton Peterson and is combining them into one story, under their own individual headlines.

Mr. Reidy heads his report with, "Boosters Visit Local No. 646." He writes from Clyde, Kansas, under date of December 20, 1933. He says:

"The Farmers Union Local No. 646 held its annual meeting for the year 1933 recently. It was the best meeting we have had for several years, and we had with us as invited guests the Washington County Union Boosters—Anton Peterson, A. C. Hansen and Dan H. Combow, secretary-treasurer of Washington County Farmers Union.

"These men spoke to a full house, on cooperative business, organization and marketing of farm products. They also explained the proposition whereby the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Co. in Kansas City agrees to pay the dues of any one (state, county and national) friends by handling their live stock and helping to break down the scheme of direct selling of live stock which is slowly but surely killing our competitive market in the United States. Direct shipping already has done this in Canada and South America, and the packers having taken over the entire market in these countries.

"This firm is not seeking money, as it was explained they have a wonderful surplus and are making a cooperative business friends by handling their live stock and helping to break down the scheme of direct selling of live stock which is slowly but surely killing our competitive market in the United States. Direct shipping already has done this in Canada and South America, and the packers having taken over the entire market in these countries.

"Mr. Anton Peterson gave a wonderful talk on cooperation, and he is second to none when it comes to talking farm organization. Mr. Hansen and Mr. Combow also gave good addresses on organization and direct shipping.

"Mr. Hansen is a World War veteran, and he met his war buddy, Marion Lovendahl, at this meeting. Mr. Lovendahl is a member of this local. These men were side by side in the front lines in France, and they remember old memories that evening.

"Our president, J. S. Woods, also gave an address at the close of the meeting and extended a vote of thanks to the three gentlemen who came a great distance to be with us for the evening, and to help us with our farm problems.

"Local No. 646 has accomplished many things for which it never has been credited, namely, building the Farmers Union Elevator and Store at Clifton, Kansas; the Farmers Union Elevator at Clyde, Kansas; helping to put over the Farmers Union Certified Oil Co. at Concordia which Mr. Moore now operates, and last, the Protective Association against thieves, which association is now operating under the Mail and Breeze, was written and made in Local 646.

Local 646 was chartered in 1911, being now 23 years old. This is the first item ever written to the state paper from this Local. Hope it is accepted and published, if not asking too much—John Reidy, Secretary Local 646."

Mr. Peterson's Report
After reading the above refreshing report, it is interesting to read Anton Peterson's letter, in which he tells about the same meeting. Mr. Peterson, it will be remembered, is one of the "Boosters" talked about. Incidentally, he has been a Farmers Union booster a long time. Mr. Peterson starts his letter with a few kind words about "our paper," for which the editor is thankful. No one has a better right than Mr. Peterson to say "our paper." He continues his letter:

"Well, the Dane Local meets the second and fourth Friday night of each month. Last Friday we had a splendid meeting. I took in six members. Counting new and old, we have added fifteen members since the state meeting. I hope they will have their names on the mailing list soon. L. W. Hansen is president, and Dan

TUNE IN ON WIBW

The Kansas Union Farmer will soon resume the announcements of future radio programs over the Capper Publications Station in Topeka—WIBW. The schedule has to be revamped for the new year. In the meantime, the state office will be responsible for a program each Thursday evening, beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

'UNION PRIDE' IS NEW PRODUCT JOBING ASSN.

Farmers Union Jobbing Association Makes Important Announcement of New Quality Flour which is Answer to Demand of Customers

THREE GRADES NOW

Still Handle Big Volume of "Union Gold" and Union Standard; Flour Specially Milled for Union by Larabee Mills Co.

Following is an interesting announcement sent out by the Merchandise Department of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association. It offers housewives an opportunity to live up to some New Years baking resolutions:

The Merchandise Department of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association takes pleasure in announcing a new flour which will be milled exclusively for them by The Larabee Flour Mills Co., and sold under the name of "UNION PRIDE." This is an all-purpose family flour, fully guaranteed and will meet with the approval of every housewife in Kansas.

Farmers Union members, as well as Store and Elevator managers, have been demanding a flour of this type, as to quality and price, which will, at the same time, guarantee results comparable to any flour on the market that is being sold in its price range. After considerable experimenting we arrived at a flour that will meet the most exacting baking tests.

In "UNION PRIDE" you will find that "extra something" that will make it a favorite with all housewives. You will also be surprised at its low cost. Making good bread, cakes or pastries is just like building a house—you must start with a good foundation. Housewives demand successful baking results and will not be disappointed with "UNION PRIDE" which is milled especially for Kansas housewives.

With this new added brand of excellent flour The Jobbing Association can furnish three good grades: "UNION GOLD," "UNION PRIDE" and "UNION STANDARD." A grade to fit every pocketbook. Either of these flours will bring a new joy in baking—a new economy and success with every trial.

The Farmers Union Jobbing Assn. does not want you to take their word for all of the nice things they say about "UNION GOLD," "UNION PRIDE" and "UNION STANDARD" flour. They do wish, however, that every Farmers Union housewife would try these flours in her own kitchen and look for one thing—RESULTS.

In making your resolutions for the new year The Jobbing Association asks that you resolve to get better acquainted with these three brands of flour. You'll never be sorry. It's no longer necessary to experience difficulty and failure in baking. Buy these brands from your local Farmers Union Store or Elevator and remember, for an all-purpose family flour, you can't beat "UNION PRIDE."

These three brands of flour are available to dealers at Kansas City, Mo., Marysville, Kansas, Hutchinson, Kansas and St. Joseph, Mo.

Combow is the new secretary-treasurer. A. C. Hansen is chairman of the board of directors.

"The Farmers Union Booster Club is still going strong. We were out to 'Round House' Local Tuesday night, December 19. We had a full house, with Johnny Wood in charge. These people are cooperators. They were organized about the same time as the Dane Local, and have been meeting continuously for 23 years. There were 50 out to the meeting, which sure pleased the Boosters—and we hope we pleased them.

"We have driven about 115 miles and have addressed about 100 people, beside our own local and county Union. We have another meeting for this week at the Guiding Star Local No. 1225. Dan Combow is responsible for the new members. Block Hansen is responsible for these wild cat meetings that the Booster Club is having.—Anton Peterson."

READ BETTS' MARKET LETTER

Every one interested in the butter and egg market should read the letter in this week's issue by P. L. Betts, manager of the Poultry and Dairy Cooperatives, Inc. Mr. Betts throws in some mighty timely comment which will be well worth the readers' time.

MANY PETITIONS REACH OFFICE OF FARMERS UNION

Members Seen Unanimously in Favor of Frazier Bill and Against Direct Shipping of Hogs, and Willing to Sign

SEND THEM DIRECT

Time Would Be Saved if Locals Would Send Petitions Direct to Those to Whom Intended; Amendments Faring Well

A large number of petitions, with long lists of signatures of farmers, are being received in the office of the Kansas Farmers Union of Salina. These petitions are the ones sent out from this office to the various local Farmers Union secretaries over the state.

One set of petitions remonstrates against the practice of direct selling of hogs to the packers, and calls on those in power to put a stop to it. The other set calls for support of the Frazier Bill on the part of our lawmakers.

These petitions will be presented to the proper parties, by the Kansas Farmers Union. The number being received is indicative of a solid sentiment on the part of the membership in Kansas, against direct shipping and for the Frazier bill. Both the Kansas Farmers Union and National Farmers Union annual conventions held during the latter part of 1933, declared against direct shipping, and for the Frazier Bill.

The petitions being received at the state office are only a small part of the total number of petitions being signed. Most of them are being sent direct to the congressmen and senators, and to Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace (on direct shipping.) It would be best, perhaps, for all of them to go to these parties, rather than to be sent first to the state Farmers Union office. When they are sent direct to the ones for whom they are intended, they reach their destination sooner than when passing through the state office—then there is the matter of a saving in postage.

These petition forms were sent out by the state secretary at the same time the referendum ballots were sent to the various Local secretaries of the Kansas Farmers Union. Incidentally, these ballots are returning with satisfactory promptness, and in most cases the vote shows almost unanimous acceptance of both amendments proposed and voted at the last state Farmers Union convention in Lawrence.

One amendment is officially to eliminate the \$2 initiation fee formerly charged new members, and the other provides that delegates at state Farmers Union conventions in the future shall select the city for the next convention by ballot, and that the five districts shall each be entitled to the annual convention within their boundaries, with the 1934 convention in District No. 2, the 1935 convention in District No. 3, and so on, consecutively.

DEAN CALL TAKES CHARGE FEDERAL BANK AT WICHITA

Succeeds John Fields Who Was Too Conservative in Making Loans to Distressed Farmers; Grimes Steps Into Call's Place

Dean Leland E. Call, division of agriculture at the Kansas State College, has been named as head of the Federal Land Bank in Wichita, succeeding John Fields who was dismissed recently. Mr. Fields was removed because of an ultra-conservative attitude on the part of the bank under Mr. Fields, which made it impossible for many deserving farmers to get their farms refinanced.

Mr. Call has been granted a leave of absence from the College until July 1, in order that he may accept the position.

Dr. W. E. Grimes, far-famed agricultural economist, who has headed the department of agricultural economics at the state college for some time, succeeds Dean Call in the position. He is a member of the Kansas Farmers Union. Mr. R. Green, former assistant in Dr. Grimes' department, moves up to the job vacated by his chief.

ORGANIZE A NEW SHIPPING ASSN. AT MENLO, KANS.

Farmers of Community are Enthusiastic over Possibilities of New Association, and Fight Direct Shipping

A new Farmers Union Live Stock Shipping Association has been organized at Menlo, Kansas, with a large charter membership. A large number of farmers attended meetings there on Thursday and Friday nights, December 21 and 22, conducted by A. M. Kinney of the Farmers Union. The Association was formed, and the board of directors elected, on Friday evening.

The farmers of the community are enthusiastic over the new association, which will bring them untold cooperative benefits in the months and years to come. Mr. Kinney, in his talks, outlined the history of direct shipping of hogs to packers, and explained the tragic effect which the practice has had upon the hog market, as reflected in the extremely low prices now being paid for hogs on the markets of the country.

FOUR FARMERS UNION MEETINGS IN McPHERSON CO.

There will be four Farmers Union meetings in McPherson county next week at the following places: Tuesday night, January 2, at West Fairview school house, District 86; Wednesday night, January 3, at Castle Hill school house; Thursday night, January 4, at house; and Friday night at Marquette in the high school auditorium. A. M. Kinney, vice president of the Kansas Farmers Union will talk on the subject of "Direct shipping of hogs to packers."

Everyone is invited to attend. Come out and hear why you are only getting \$3.00 per cwt. for your hogs.

JOBING ASSN. IN MESSAGE TO ITS CUSTOMERS

Speaks of Sense of Pride and Ownership which Kansas Farmers Union Members Feel toward Successful Cooperative Businesses

RESULT OF LOYALTY

Also Tells of Satisfactory Volume of Business Handled by Merchandise Department of Jobbing Association; "Business Forecasts"

In a last-of-the-year message to its friends and customers, the Farmers Union Jobbing Association, through the columns of the current issue of The Co-Operator, says that members of the Farmers Union throughout Kansas feel a sense of ownership and a sense of pride in their successful business agencies. "And it is only right that they should," continues the message, "as it is largely through their loyal patronage that these agencies have been able to exist."

The article continues with some interesting facts relative to the cooperative business handled through its merchandise department, which has been managed for some years by Ted Belden. "We are pleased to announce," says the article, "to these members and customers, that the Farmers Union Jobbing Association, located in the Board of Trade Building, Kansas City, Missouri, continues to handle a fine volume of business. Practically every article handled by the merchandising department throughout the current year has shown an increase over 1932, and this business has been operated at a profit. Prices on the articles handled by the Jobbing Association have held fairly steady for the year. Of course, there have been some advances and seasonal fluctuations—this being particularly true of coal. The price of this product was effected by the enactment of the NRA code. Tankage has shown some advancement in price during the past year. However, members of the Jobbing Association continue to do everything within their power to furnish their customers the best of products at the lowest possible cost."

"Mr. Harry Neath, who is in charge of the sale of twine, stated recently that over one million pounds have been booked for the 1934 season, and that he feels safe in predicting that the Jobbing Association will again dispose of the entire output of twine from the Kansas State Penitentiary."

"Mr. Ted Belden has just returned from a trip during which he called on many of the association's customers, and in his opinion the feeling throughout the state as evidenced by store and elevator managers, is more optimistic, and business conditions are showing some improvement."

"The Jobbing Association offers you various products of standard quality. Acquaint yourself with these articles and ask for them at your local store or elevator."

Are You Ready For 1934 ?

It's here—a brand new year—whether you are ready for it or not.

Most of us are ready for a New Year of New Opportunities. Most of us believe that 1933 was a better year than was 1932, and now the problem is how to make 1934 still better.

Remember that every improvement in respect to agriculture during the year just passed has been due and traceable to Organization among farmers. Realize that every improvement which we may expect to receive in the future will be due to Organization.

THE FARMERS UNION

is the farmers' own militant farm organization, fighting every inch of the way for the best interests of farmers. It is not an organization perfected by others and "rented" to agriculture, but is an organization perfected, controlled, and built by farmers—for farmers.

GET IN THIS ORGANIZATION WITHOUT FAIL

AND WITHOUT DELAY,
and face, with confidence, the
NEW YEAR.

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OPPORTUNITIES IN 1934

This is a good time to pause and to take stock of ourselves. Here we are with Christmas behind us and New Year's Day ahead of us. We might say, we are standing between the activities of the year just closing and the activities of the year which is just beginning. We divide our attention between consideration of what has taken place during the past year, and contemplation of what might take place during the coming twelve months.

Much has taken place since we stood in this position of consideration and contemplation a year ago. Some has happened for the worse, perhaps; but much has happened for the good of the country and for Agriculture. The influence of the Farmers Union is seen in most of that which has happened for the good of Agriculture.

By the same token, much will happen between now and a year hence. Some of the things which will take place will be "off color" and can not be chalked up under the "good" column. On the other hand, much that is desirable is in store for us; and it is reasonable to expect, with farmers willing to cooperate, that organized Agriculture will fare pretty well in 1934.

One condition which is constant, and which will never change, is the fact that we can never all agree on what is good and what is bad. Each will have to decide, in his own mind, what is good, and work to that end. In the mean time, we need not be overly concerned about this ever-present disagreement, if we can each remain earnestly loyal to the principles we honestly feel we should support. The really good thing about it all is the fact that we are making progress. We are willing that our endeavors shall be judged by the fruits they bear.

What's Happened in 1933

At this time last year, we were still looking forward to whatever action we, as a militant farm organization, could take in our support of our legislative program, both at Topeka and at Washington. Definite plans had been made to press our Farmers Union programs at both places. The Kansas Farmers Union was very much in the picture in Topeka. Our state president was legislative representative for the Committee of Kansas Farm Organizations. Legislation secured because of our activity in Topeka during the session of the Legislature is a matter of history, and amounts to savings of millions of dollars to Kansas farmers. It is not our intention to go into detail here with reference to the part the Kansas Farmers Union has played in the national picture. However, we shall make a bare mention of the fact that because the Kansas Farmers Union did take a definite stand in Wash-

ington, many millions of dollars have come to Kansas farmers, and still more is coming, which would never have come this way without the efforts of the Kansas Farmers Union.

Real Accomplishments

Since this time last year, we have seen the United States Government put into practice many of the principles so long advocated by the Farmers Union. In some of its policies, the Government has not taken up the Farmers Union program in its entirety, but has injected, nevertheless, the principles of cooperation and of equality and justice which the Farmers Union has preached so long. In others of its newly adopted policies, under the "new deal," the Government hits pretty closely to the very language of Farmers Union recommendations and stated policies.

Perhaps it would be too much to expect a government to stop dead in its tracks, renounce all its old policies, and begin operating entirely in accordance with the principles of the Farmers Union or any other organization—even though these principles are unquestionably right. Considering the fact that a Government must represent every class of people, and that some forces of evil organize themselves better than do some forces for good, it would be virtually impossible for those who make our laws to force a complete about-face, no matter how hard they might try.

With that idea in view, it is indeed gratifying to note that we have made as much progress as we have. We believe that by cooperating with a friendly Government, helping in every way we can those who are in low or high places but who are not beyond the need of help, we can assist that Government to get in step with our organized Agricultural demands much more effectively than by seeking to throw monkey wrenches into the gears every time we do not agree completely.

There's Work Ahead

With all of 1934 looming up just ahead of us, we may all be reminded that we face another year of opportunity. Opportunities are developed by action on our own part. The man or woman who waits for opportunities to come along, fully developed, and ready to do something for that man or woman, will wait a long time. If the new year means nothing more to us than an opportunity to wait for some good luck, then we shall be greatly disappointed.

We will have a wonderful opportunity to develop the Kansas Farmers Union in 1934. But we will have to do it ourselves. Just how well we make progress in this matter will depend on how much effort we expend in the right direction. The results of our attempts to improve our organization will depend on how much work we are willing to put into it—and this applies to every one of us.

Things We Can Do

All this is rather indefinite, or abstract. Let us look for some definite way in which we can improve our organization during 1934. There is no question about whether or not we need the Farmers Union; and there is no question about its being worth while. The question is, how can we make it a better, stronger organization than it was last year?

First, the prompt payment of dues is one definite detail for each of us to consider, and to do. Second, there is the matter of attending our Farmers Union meetings throughout the year. Third, let us patronize our own cooperative marketing and cooperative business institutions. Another thing: Keep our neighbors advised of the benefits they may receive because of membership in the Farmers Union, and keep them reminded of the fact that only through membership in this organization can they exercise the full measure of loyalty to their fellow farmers who are willing to cooperate. Still another thing: Be charitable, even while pushing the organization to the full limit of its militancy.

This matter of being charitable, being brotherly, with all the other members, is one of the principles upon which the organization is founded. It is one of the most important principles—and some times it is one of the hardest to live up to.

Fight for Principles

During 1934, let us all realize we have a wonderful program—state and national—to fight for. Let us go down the cooperative road together, under the banner of the Farmers Union. Let us think more of ultimate accomplishments of the organization than we do about whether all our brothers are acting strictly in accordance with personal wishes or not. Let us remember our objectives. Let us reach them, even though it means a battle to the finish—with OUR enemies.

IS THE ADMINISTRATION

WRONG IN TRYING TO RAISE FARM PRICES?

Addressing the annual convention of the Association of Life Insurance Presidents in New York recently, Roy A. Roberts, managing editor of the Kansas City Star, was quoted by the Star as saying:

"The immediate agricultural policy of the Administration has one or two extremely disturbing factors. Primarily, the entire administration has concentrated on getting up domestic farm prices at once, irrespective of world prices. The same major mistake was made by the Hoover administration. Any economy of agriculture that contemplates the United States simply withdrawing from foreign markets permanently is appalling."

"It would mean the removal from production of 45 million acres of land and a damming up of surpluses. "To take 45 million acres out of production, as the basic policy appeared, only now comes the danger of increasing the tax burden on those acres still cultivated. It means increasing unemployment, decreasing trade for our railroads, destruction of trade centers, and a general lessening of the velocity of our business. Some substantial shrinkage there must be, yes, to get a balanced agriculture, but not on the scale contemplated."

As we read and ponder over the above statement, we wonder if Mr. Roberts was under the spell of eastern influence or was actually in earnest. We believe that the farmer should continue to produce food in an unlimited abundance, regardless of the price he receives, just so the railroads can haul it, the market men handle it, and every other class that can get a whack at it may take their toll.

He talks about world markets—something we have not had for farm products for the last two or three years and are not likely to have for some time to come on a basis that will afford a living price. With a world wheat market that is demoralized until world prices are ruinous even to the countries of penance and cheap labor, how does Mr. Roberts assume American agriculture would be able to compete, when on the other hand the necessities of life which the farmer has to buy are marketed to him behind a tariff wall that guarantees high prices.

Has not the time arrived when we will have to do as some of our manufacturers are reported to be doing—sell American products at a tariff protected price and dumping the surplus from their factories abroad at a lower price?

For example, it would not make so much difference if we sold 200 million bushels of wheat abroad at the world price, if we could get an American price based on a parity with the things we have to buy for the other 600 million bushels consumed at home each year.

So if we expect to render the world market with our farm products we must work out a marketing plan to dump the surplus part of our crops at the world price without letting it affect our American price. Until this plan is worked out we had better reduce the surplus if it is going to drag us down to world price levels.

As for Mr. Roberts' argument, that the taking out of production of 45 million acres of land will be ruinous, we want to ask what will happen if we leave it in production and continue to pile up surpluses to depress our markets. Mr. Roberts says these acres taken out of production cannot pay taxes. He has for the moment possibly forgotten that many of these acres have not been paying taxes. With higher prices for the products produced on the other three-fourths or four-fifths, will the farmer not be better able to pay taxes on all his land?

We, too, would rather farm all our land if we could market the produc-

tion from it at a profit. If, however, by farming all of our land we are forced to do so at a loss, while by farming only three-fourths we can get prices that will represent a profit, would we not be foolish to insist on farming all?

We feel the administration has been well justified in its attempt to raise prices of farm commodities from the standpoint of a national recovery program and we know it is due the farmer. The only thing we can see wrong is, it takes too long to get prices up on all farm commodities. When farm prices raise to where they will give new purchasing power to our rural people, then and only then will prosperity return permanently to industry and labor.

When such men at the head of our press, as Mr. Roberts, decide against the administration's program to help the farmer, the farmer should be able to raise prices to get favorable publicity for his cooperative marketing movement. Such men by their action and speech indicate they are friends of the middle men rather than the multitude of producers.—Rube Will give the Missouri Farmers Union in the "Cooperative Farmer."

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES

ELLSWORTH CO. UNION ELECTS 1934 OFFICERS

A. M. Kinney Makes Interesting Talk on Accomplishments of Farmers Union and Against Direct Shipping of Hogs

The Ellsworth County Farmers Union No. 41 held their annual meeting December 9, at the Odd Fellows hall in Ellsworth. A fair sized crowd of farmers and their families gathered at noon to enjoy a basket dinner.

After dinner, A. M. Kinney, field representative of the Farmers Union, gave a very interesting and educational talk on the accomplishments of the Farmers Union. He also presented his arguments against direct shipping in a clear and forceful manner.

A business meeting was held following Mr. Kinney's talk, in which the following list of officers were elected for the coming year:

W. L. Reed, president.
Brad Hooper, vice president.
Chester A. Chapman, secretary and treasurer.
Charles Schwartzel, door keeper.
Ed Shannon, conductor.

With the business settled, the meeting closed with a meeting of January 6, at which time we hope to have another successful meeting.

Elmer Stroede, Cor. Secretary.

ASK WHEAT LOAN PLAN SIMILAR TO CORN PLAN

To the Kansas Union Farmer: Lamoreaux Local No. 1961 met Dec. 15 Mr. Bert Winchester, member of the State Executive Board from the 7th district, installed our officers: President—Ross Syphard.

Vice President—Irtis Ward.
Secy.—Edward Slade.
Conductor—Arnold Flandermeier.
Door Keeper—Marion Hoskinson.
Exec. Board—George Dykes, William Meireis, Marion Haskinson.

The following resolution was adopted, a copy of which is to be sent to Cal Ward, state president, and one to the Secretary of Agriculture in Washington, D. C.

"Be it resolved that we, the members of Lamoreaux Local No. 1961, go on record as favoring a plan similar to the Corn Loan Plan, whereby the loan value of wheat may be fixed at thirty cents (30c) a bushel less than the parity price without additional security other than the wheat, which, it is understood, is to be stored in our own farms."

"Be it further resolved that you pledge your moral and personal support in the passage of the Frazier, Swank, Thomas and Wheeler bills in the next session of Congress."

The Stafford Co. meeting is to be held January 2, 1934 at Lamoreaux, Local.

Nadine Ward, Reporter.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY (Riley County)

Whereas: It has pleased an allwise God to remove from our midst the father of our brother and president, C. E. Larson;

Therefore, be it resolved that we the members of Baldwin Creek local 1380 extend our sincere sympathy to the family.

And be it further resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, a copy be spread on the minutes of this meeting and a copy be sent to the Kansas Union Farmer for publication.

G. F. Potts
Chas. Larson
Chas. Anderson.

Committee.

COTTONWOOD LOCAL MEETS

Cottonwood Local No. 317 met on Tuesday night, December 19, with a full house. Minutes were read and approved. Secretary's report was read.

The following officers were elected for the year 1934: W. A. Kocher, president.
W. E. Keil, vice president.
J. M. Shea, secretary-treasurer.
Martin Flynn, conductor.

Both amendments sent out from the state office for action by the locals, were voted for, carrying unanimously.

The next meeting will be January 2, at the New Hope school house.

J. M. Shea, Secretary treasurer.

1934 OFFICERS

At a recent meeting of Farmers Union Local No. 96, near LaCygne, as reported by DeWitt Cline, secretary-treasurer, the following officers were elected for 1934: President, J. F. Reed; vice president, Mrs. Pauline Vail; secretary-treasurer, DeWitt Cline; conductor, Willis Rogers; doorkeeper, John L. Vail, and executive committee, I. N. Deardorff, J. L. Kyle and Elmer Michaels.

UNION VALLEY LOCAL NEVER MISSED MEETING

Mr. and Mrs. Will J. Prescott, Long in Farmers Union Service, Leaving Miami Co. for California Account Health

Union Valley Local No. 1679, of Miami County, held their regular meeting, December 12, this being the last meeting of the year. Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month, and we all feel proud that a meeting has been held every month during the year 1933.

This was time for installation of officers. The following officers were elected:

Ed Hays, president.
Clarence Day, secretary-treasurer.
Mr. and Mrs. Will Prescott, our retiring president and secretary-treasurer, are leaving for California on account of Mr. Prescott's health.

Resolved, that we extend our sympathy to them in their sickness, and hope for their speedy recovery.

Clarence Day, Secretary.

CLAY COUNTY MEETING

The annual meeting of the Clay County Farmers Union was held at the Idylwild school house, Tuesday evening, December 19th, with over 200 in attendance. After several musical numbers by the Velen Bros., the business was taken up. John Slingsby, the county delegate to the State convention, gave a report of that meeting and Mrs. M. L. Beckman reported on the National convention.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, M. L. Beckman; vice president, Wm. Goeckler; Secretary-treasurer, C. H. Alquist; conductor, Leo Engert; doorkeeper, John Slingsby, and executive committee, Emery Alquist, Jake Slingsby and Geo. King.

George Slingsby was selected as delegate to the State Board of Agriculture meeting.

The following resolutions were presented and adopted.

Whereas it is evident that the Tugwell bill, known as the Senate bill No. 1944, was written in the offices of the American Medical Association, and since this bill, if passed, can be used to stifle the practice of drugless healing, which in 85 per cent of the homes in Chicago has proven more useful and effective than the practice of medicine. Be it therefore resolved that the Clay County Farmers Union go on record as opposed to this bill.

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to our Senators and Representatives urging them to vote against this bill. And that one copy be sent to the Kansas Union Farmer for publication.

II

Since the Editor of the Kansas Union Farmer states that he wants to support the National Farmers Union program and since he has not published any of the following addresses given at the National convention, held at Des Moines, Iowa, December 10, E. E. Kennedy's report, Vice President Keeney's report; Address of Governor Bryan; of Nebraska; address of Gov. Langer of N. Dakota, or the address of Congressman Leike, of N. Dakota, but instead published a talk by Ricker on cooperation.

Therefore be it resolved that the Clay County Farmers Union go on record asking that in all fairness the editor of the Kansas Union Farmer publish the above named addresses.

Resolved, that the farmers in Kansas may learn more about the National Farmers Union.

III

Since the editor of the Kansas Union Farmer has taken up so much space in explanation as to why he did not publish National President Simpson's letter of November 9th; in all fairness to the readers he should publish it now.

Therefore be it resolved that the Clay County Farmers Union go on record asking that this letter of November 9th be published.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Kansas Union Farmer for publication.

C. H. Alquist, Secretary.

Clay County Farmers Union.

NEIGHBORLY HELP

The members of Farmers Union Stone Local No. 792 gathered at the home of Percy Pywell Wednesday forenoon with teams and racks and began hauling kaffir, corn fodder, and feed was in the barn and stack. Percy has been having a very strenuous time for the past couple of months, in looking after and taking care of his uncle, Chas. Holland, and mother, both close around 80 years old. His mother is totally blind and has been very poorly lately, while Mr. Holland has to have constant care. It is hoped that these two old people will soon be better.

At noon the wives of the members set a regular Christmas dinner from well filled baskets of eats brought with them.

The Farmers Union stands for right and justice and brotherly love between its members and fellowmen, and this is only one incident of the many, as practiced by this organization.

Everyone had a good time, and helped Percy get caught up with some of his work. Chas. Pywell, president of our local, and brother of Percy, were kept busy stacking and looking after the work in general.

Those present were: Chas. Pywell, (president) and family.

Cecil Pywell and family.
Gordon Pywell and wife.
O. C. Ouderick and wife.
Omer Stithem and wife.
Elsie Mendenhall and wife.

W. H. Snice.
Arthur Balthazor.
Louie Marcotte.
Percy Pywell.
Delbert Mendenhall.

Len Thomas.
Delmer Ouderick.
Effie Ouderick.
Leola Sutor and daughters.
Leo Thomas and wife.
C. O. Thomas and wife.

M. E. Thomas, Cor. Sec'y.

A FINE REPORT FROM HAWKINS LOCAL NO. 1615

At our local meeting Tuesday evening, Dec. 12, Old Santa Claus sent a stocking full of Xmas greetings to each one present and as he is working under the N. R. A. he is expecting us to do our part and pass them on. So mine goes out to each one who is doing his little bit to make this old earth a more worth-while place to spend our time.

We may be living under all the letters of the alphabet by the end of next year, but here is hoping Santa Claus don't let them change X M A S. Pres. G. N. Saylor wouldn't let us play all the time so we took care of what business we had and then Mrs. Henry Vogler had a nice program prepared, which was as follows:

Piano duet—Mrs. Dr. H. R. Webster and daughter, Dorothy Jean.

Piano solo—Dorothy Jean Webster.

Violin solo—Tommy Kraft, accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Albert Kraft.

Vocal solos: Mr. Frederick Miller, accompanied by Mr. Wendel Plank.
Piano solos—Dr. H. R. Webster; Mr. Harley Gover.

Piano duet—Messrs. Webster and Gover.

Dr. Geo. Davis, who worked with the Red Cross during the World War, gave a very interesting talk on several topics and topped it off with a real ghost story; and the whole would have been fraid to go home, but after Dr. Webster and Mr. Gover had taken turns at the piano, and then went after it both together, the ghost was soon forgotten. But I wouldn't be surprised if the music isn't still coming out of that piano.

Mr. H. L. Morgan had to "toot" the Farmers Union horn a little and said in reviewing the old roll calls of the Hawkins Local, they contained the names of almost everyone in the community. But now after the several business activities of the Union have been built up and are rendering them a service either directly or indirectly; and with the other farm organizations working in the state legislature and Congress to protect their interests, they do not see the necessity of giving it their support.

I guess we will have to turn them over to Santa Claus to see if he can change their hearts, as no one else seems to have much luck.

I am sure every one had a good time and that's something and we learned a little besides.

Oh, yes, we had cake, sandwiches and coffee served by three of the good looking ladies and under the careful eyes of two doctors, there was no disastrous after effects of the lunch. Some again January 9.

Mrs. Harry L. Morgan, Sec.

MITCHELL COUNTY FARMERS UNION MEETS

The Christmas rush seemingly did not have much of an effect on the attendance at the Mitchell County Farmers Union quarterly meeting held at Beloit, Kansas, December 20. A very large crowd gathered in the dining room at the Legion hall at the noon hour, not only to eat a turkey dinner, but to listen to a speech by our highly esteemed state president, Cal Ward, as well as to hear the careful eyes of two doctors, there was no disastrous after effects of the lunch. Some again January 9.

Mrs. Harry L. Morgan, Sec.

many like never vas, and so good vot is, I wish now I had eaten more.

After lunch and a fine social visit and exchange of ideas pertaining to present evils, remedies, etc., the meeting was called to order by the president, Mr. J. J. Cooper.

The program consisted of readings, songs, instrumental music, tap dancing, etc., and was furnished by all ages from little ones from the primary ranging on up to the ones with the silver hair whose experience, good judgment and advice should be considered an asset for the younger generation, and without exception every number was well prepared and given in an attractive and interesting manner.

The business session was beneficial and instructive. We can't help but wonder sometimes why so many people are indifferent regarding the welfare of the basic industry of any nation. "He that tilleth the soil feedeth the hungry." Directly or indirectly the wealth of the people depends upon agriculture and all are willing to share in the prosperity when agriculture prospers, but when the tide turns it seems that many are selfish and unwilling to make just a little sacrifice so that all might enjoy the fruits of their labor and partake of abundance which God hath prepared.

The following resolutions were adopted:

"We wish to reaffirm our belief in our farmer's organizations and in their general program of cooperative marketing and control of the farmer's products for the consumer. We urge our farmers everywhere to be loyal to our local cooperative business organizations in these trying times of depression."

"We look upon direct selling of hogs as a strong contributing factor to the present low prices of hogs and opposed to the system of direct buying now practiced by the large packers. We urge upon the Secretary of Agriculture that he compel the packers to discontinue this practice."

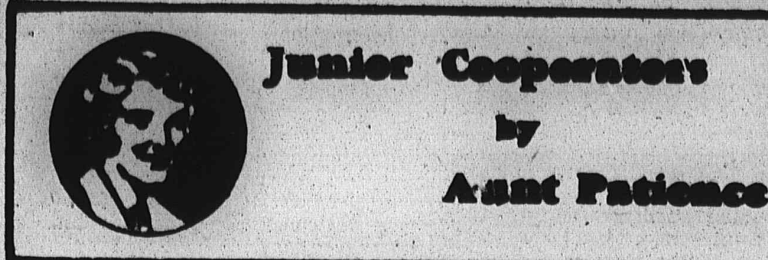
"We urge our Congressmen and Senators to support the Frazier Bill or some similar plan of federal financing of farm mortgages at a low rate of interest over a long term of years."

"We are opposed to diversion of the gas tax and license fees to any other purpose than highway building and maintenance."

"We urge that the federal government make immediate use of whatever power it now possesses to change the value of currency to the end that the parity price of farm products may be restored to its pre-war basis."

"We recommend that copies of these resolutions be sent to our state paper and to our Congressmen and Senators."

Clyde W. Coffman, B. O. Hoover, and W. B. Banning, Resolutions Committee.



HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THIS DEPARTMENT
Any boy or girl between the ages of six and sixteen, whose father is a member in good standing of the Farmers Union, who writes a letter for a publication, can be a member of this department, and is entitled to a pin. The address to which all Juniors should send their letters is: Aunt Patience, in care of the KANSAS UNION FARMER, Salina, Kansas.

Dear Junior Cooperators:

Here we are, facing a brand new year again. Did you ever think, I wonder—what a gift this is. Three hundred and sixty-five days with which we may do what we choose. We may use them unprofitably—waste them and be no better at the beginning of 1935, than we were when 1934 first made its appearance. Or, we may look back at the end of the year, and say to ourselves, "I have really accomplished something, during the last twelve months."

You know, it's easy to think that the world isn't improving very much—that civilization is at a stand still and is, in fact, slipping backward. Last year I told you the story of "Tiny Tim" from Charles Dickens' "Christmas Carol" and this week, to prove to you that the world is in fact a better place than it was a hundred years ago, I want to tell you a little about the early life of the author of our Christmas story.

When Dickens was ten years old, he was a delicate child. His father was an easy going man and deeply in debt. In those days, England had what was known as "Debtor's Prisons" in which those unlucky persons were placed, who could not meet their financial obligations. Dickens' home was broken up and his mother and father took quarters in one of these prisons, where the little boy managed to spend Sunday with them. The rest of his time, he worked in a shoe-blackening factory. He worked all day long, covering the pots of blacking with paper, tying them with strings and then pasting labels on the finished product. For this, he was repaid with the princely sum of \$1.50 per week. His breakfast consisted of a penny loaf of bread and a penny's worth of milk. He kept another small loaf and a quarter of a pound of cheese on a particular shelf of a particular cupboard, for supper at night. In later life he wrote:

"I know that I tried to make my money last the week through, by putting it away in a drawer I had in the counting house, wrapped in six little parcels, each parcel containing the same sum and labelled with a different day. I know that I have lounged the streets badly fed. I know that, but for the mercy of God, I might easily have been, for any care that was taken of me, a little robber or a little vagabond."

This was the childhood of one of England's greatest literary geniuses. His parents taken from him because of the English debtor's law, without guidance of any kind and forced to become independent and self supporting at the age of ten years. All of this happened only a little over a hundred years ago so, the last one hundred "New Years" have brought improved conditions, haven't they? And at the end of the next one hundred years, people will marvel just as much at us, as we do at these old Britons.

A happy, happy New Year to each one of you! And don't forget that you can make Aunt Patience's new year happy—by resolving to write to her regularly. I haven't heard from many of our "old members" who wrote faithfully in past years—so sit down right now and let us hear from you again.

—Aunt Patience



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Order patterns from Aunt Patience, box 48, Salina, Kansas.

Junior Cooperators by Aunt Patience

JUNIOR LETTERS

Codell, Kan., Nov. 6, 1933
Dea Aunt Patience:
How are you? I am all right. We had a nice rain last week, did you? We are working on a Christmas program at school.

I am sending in my October lesson, I bet you think I have forgotten you, but I've been busy. I haven't much time to write so I guess I had better quit, for it is bed time.

goodbye,
Delwin Dougherty.

Dear Delwin:
Thank you for your letter—and I was glad to receive your lesson. I know your Christmas program was fine—what part did you have? And I'm glad that you've not forgotten me.—Aunt Patience.

Hiawatha, Kan.,
Dear Aunt Patience:
I have been thinking I would write to you. But I never did. This is my first time.

My father is a member of the Farmers Union, Robinson, Kans., I will be twelve on February 11. I am in the sixth grade. I have been watching the papers for my twin, but have not found one yet. I wish my twin would write to me. My address is Hiawatha, Kans., R. F. D. 2.

I would like for you to send me a pin.
For pets I have a pony. Her name is Cupid. I have a pet hen and a pet rooster. I have two pet dogs. Puppy is brown and white, 13 years old. Spook is black and white and isn't a year old yet—4 cats.
I think forget-me-not would be not too long. Will you please send me my pin. If you have the rainbow colors, send me one.

Sincerely Yours,
Alice Moll.

Dear Alice:
We are all happy that you have decided to become one of us. I'm sure that we can find out "twins" soon and I'll send you pin this week. I like your pony's name and I'm glad to receive your vote for club flower so promptly. No, a letter is never "too long"—at least, not for me. I hope you'll write again soon.—Aunt Patience.

Montrose, Kan., Dec. 2

Dear Aunt Patience:
How are you? I am OK. I have been looking in every paper, but I cannot find my twin. My birthday is January 9th. I found a letter in the paper that the birthday was January 6. I am in the fourth grade and will be nine my next birthday. I suppose you had a big Thanksgiving dinner. One of our neighbors dressed a duck and gave it to us for Thanksgiving dinner, but we thought we would save it until today for corn shuckers, but it rained and they didn't come so we ate it. I wish I could hear yours. Alright, I'll expect you to send in your entry in our next contest, without fail.—Aunt Patience.

Hiawatha, Kan.

Dear Aunt Patience:
I have never written to you, but I believe I shall write. I haven't found my twin wonder if I have a twin? I am 8 years old. My birthday is on August 13. I am in the 3rd grade. For pets I have a dog. Its name is Spook. Then we have a dog that is very old. His name is Puppy. We have 2 ponies, one is black and white—that is my sister's. My pony is brown and white. His name is Speck. We ride them to school. I have a bantam hen. I would like to have a pin if you have the rainbow colors send me one. I think the Sunflower would be nice for our club.

Sincerely yours,
Junior Moll.

Dear Lucille:
Welcome to our Club—I'm sure we can find your "twin" for you soon. I will send your pin this week, but I don't believe I understand about the colors—the pin is in club colors. I've entered your vote for the Sunflower—and was glad to get it so promptly.—Aunt Patience.

Dighton, Kans., Dec. 1, 1933

Dear Aunt Patience:
I sent in my October lesson October 1st, but my letter has never been published. Did you receive it. If you didn't let me know and I will send my lesson in again. It is very cold and raining hard here today. We had a big Thanksgiving dinner at my aunt's yesterday. We played baseball in the afternoon and football in the evening. We sure had a good time. What did

you do Thanksgiving Day. I will close for now.

A Junior
Lucille Mumma.

Dear Lucille:

I'm sorry about your letter—sometimes they are misplaced, you know, or lost between the State Office, where they are received and my house. But we are very careful and it doesn't happen often—I have your lesson. Those are good games to play, especially after a very much Thanksgiving Day, except eat—and I went to a movie in the afternoon. I hope you won't be discouraged over the loss of your letter—and that you'll write to me again soon.—Aunt Patience.



OF
INTEREST
TO
WOMEN

DELICIOUS POPCORN BALLS

1 cup light corn syrup,
1-2 cup of sugar,
1 level teaspoon of cream of tartar,
2 level tablespoons of butter,
1 level teaspoon of soda,
1 cup black walnut meats.
Cook the syrup, sugar, cream of tartar and vinegar to firm, soft ball stage. Add the butter and soda. Stir and add the black walnut meats. Shape into balls and wrap in orange cellophane.

SPICE COOKIES

One-half cup shortening,
Two-thirds cup sugar,
Three egg yolks,
Two and one-half cups flour,
One-half teaspoon soda,
One tablespoon pie spice,
One-half teaspoon salt,
Cream shortening, all sugar and cream again. Drop in egg yolks, beat until light and fluffy. Add buttermilk, stir in sifted dry ingredients. Force through cookie press or drop from spoon onto cookie sheet. Bake in a moderate hot oven 375 degrees for twenty minutes.

CHOCOLATE DOUGHNUTS

1-2 cups of sugar,
2 eggs,
1-2 cups of buttermilk,
1 teaspoon of melted fat,
1-2 teaspoon of cream of tartar,
1-2 teaspoon of nutmeg,
1 teaspoon baking powder,
About 4 cups of flour,
Mix and let the dough set for one-half hour. Then roll out and fry in deep fat.

SOUTHERN BEATEN BISCUIT

One teaspoon baking powder,
One teaspoonful salt,
One-fourth cup milk,
Two cups of flour,
Four tablespoons milk,
Two teaspoonfuls sugar.
Sift the flour, baking powder, salt and sugar together. Cut the butter into this mixture and add milk gradually, mixing to a very stiff dough. Beat until the dough is pliable, smooth and blistered. Roll out one-fourth inch thick and cut with biscuit cutter. Prick with a small fork and bake slowly, far enough apart on the pan that they will not touch. Beat until the biscuits are only slightly browned.

SORGHUM COOKIES

2 cups sorghum,
1 cup sugar,
1-2 cup buttermilk,
1-2 cup boiling water,
2 teaspoons soda in water,
18 tablespoons melted butter or lard. If lard is used add 1-3 teaspoon salt.

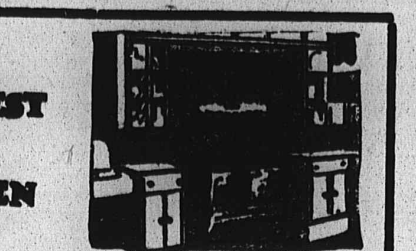
LOWRY CITY ASSOCIATION FIRST IN NOVEMBER

Mr. L. C. Cleveland, Manager of the Lowry City Shipping Association of Lowry City, Missouri, was first in number of carloads shipped by association during the month of November. Mr. Cleveland shipped eight loads of live stock, consisting of five loads of hogs, one cattle, and two mixed loads. The Lowry City Association has been going strong lately, and through the untiring efforts of Mr. Cleveland and his good customers, practically all of the hogs moving from that territory are shipped to the open market. This is true of all other species of live stock. Lowry City is not much over one hundred miles from Kansas City, and this group of people is to be congratulated on the wonderful showing they are making in the number of cooperative shipments moving from their community.

The Association at Frankfort and Randolph, Kansas, manager by Glen Leupold and Emil Samuelson, were

The germination of seed corn should be tested well in advance of planting time so there may be ample time for further selection or obtaining other seed if necessary. If a composite sample of two kernels from each of 100 ears germinate 90 per cent, or better, the seed should be satisfactory. A rag doll tester or sawdust box are probably the most convenient forms of home germinators for corn.

Business conditions in foreign countries are showing some slight improvement. Unemployment in Great Britain is somewhat less than a year ago. Political troubles hamper recovery in much of Europe. From the purely business standpoint, conditions in foreign lands appear somewhat better than a year ago.



OF
INTEREST
TO
WOMEN

2 teaspoons each of cloves, all-spice, cinnamon and ginger,
Enough flour to roll for cutting out cookies.
Mix to required stiffness and roll into thin cookies. Bake in quick oven.

SORGHUM DOUGHNUTS

1 cup sorghum,
1 egg,
2-3 cup sweet milk,
1 large tablespoon melted butter,
2 level teaspoons cream of tartar sifted with flour,
1 teaspoon of soda dissolved in milk,
1-2 teaspoon each of ginger and grated nutmeg.
Flour enough to mix for "dropping" doughnuts in hot grease.
Sugar the doughnuts after frying by placing the hot doughnuts in a paper bag containing sugar and shake the bag well.

CALIFORNIA CREAMS

1/2 cup corn syrup,
2 cups granulated sugar,
1 cup light brown sugar,
1 cup cream,
1 tablespoon orange juice,
2 teaspoons grated yellow rind of orange.
1 cup cut up nutmeats.
Put syrup, sugar, cream and orange juice in a sauce pan and boil until a little dropped into cold water becomes a waxy ball. Let stand five minutes. Add grated rind and beat until thick. Fold in nutmeats and pour into shallow oiled pan. Cut in squares.
Yield: 60 squares.
In grating the orange be sure to get only the yellow part.

FRIED ONIONS

One quart onion rings
Four tablespoons water
Two tablespoons fat
1/2 teaspoon salt
Half teaspoon sugar
Use any kind of onions for this. Slice about 1-4 inch thick then shake into rings. Put water, fat salt and sugar into heavy fry pan. (Fat may be butter or bacon fat or a mixture of butter and lard.) Then put in onions and cover closely. Cook over low flame, stirring occasionally till tender (about 15 minutes). Onions burn easily, so watch out. When tender take off cover and let brown delicately.

CREAMED WALNUTS

Beat the white of an egg to a stiff froth, adding gradually 8 tablespoons powdered sugar, beating well together. Have English walnuts shelled, break the kernels apart and put the cream between them. Press together and set away to harden. This amount should cream fifty nuts.

second with three loads each.

Rail consignments from associations fell off somewhat during November. However, a greater number of truck consignments were received from shipping associations. A good many associations in both the states of Kansas and Missouri are using both truck and rail at the present time. When it is impossible to get a full carload of live stock a good many associations are using trucks. During these times it is very essential that the shipping associations have a good full carload when they start to market. For it is only through this method that expenses can be held down. Remember, the larger the consignment, the smaller the expense. Support your shipping association. It has helped you and your community, and will continue to do so.

Other associations with carload consignments during the month of November were as follows:
Alta Vista Farmers Union, Alta Vista, Kansas
Brownington Shipping Assn., Brownington, Mo.
E. L. McCann, Manager, Erie, Kansas.

Price List of Local Supplies

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| Application cards | 20 for 5c | Farmers Union Song Leaflets, | |
| Credentialed blanks | 10 for 5c | Secretary's Minute Books | 50c |
| Demit blanks | 15 for 10c | Business Manuals, now used | |
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| | | per dozen | 10c |

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Farmers Union Co-Op Assn., Page City, Kansas.
Stafford County Shipping Assn., St. John, Kansas.
Wilsey Farmers Shipping Assn., Wilsey, Kansas; Woodson County Shipping Association, Neosho Falls, Kansas.—The Co-Operator.

HANNON WRITES ABOUT ANGUS CATTLE

The following good article was written by Mr. John Hannon, butcher salesman of the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Company. Mr. Hannon sells as many if not more Angus cattle in a year's time than any other salesman on the Kansas City yards. His article follows:
"Among the men who are engaged in the breeding and feeding of cattle of beef breeds there are many who favor the Shorthorns, others the Herefords, and still others the Angus. We, as a commission firm, would rather not enter into a controversy with raisers of the different breeds, knowing that any one of us the Farmers Union office could start a heated debate among the members of our force by attempting to point out the good qualities of one breed over the other two. However, this article is being written with the idea of helping some of our friends who might be warring of a good bull, a bunch of heifers, or a few calves of the Angus breed for 4-H club feeding."

A few years ago a feeder or breeder could come to the Kansas City market and purchase good Angus cattle, but at the present time we seldom see this class of cattle here in stocker or feeder flesh. There is a big difference in black cattle. Galloways and black Holsteins are just as poor representatives of the Angus family as Jerseys are of the Hereford heads and short legs of the Angus are always an attraction to a packer buyer. This fact is brought home to us often, as we pride ourselves on selling as many, if not more, good fat Angus cattle than any firm in the commission business at Kansas City.

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(Addition to list on page 4)

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| Riverside—2025 | Wabunsee county |
| Bellevue—1142 | Miami county |

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Below is published a representative list of the sales of live stock marketed during week of Dec 16 to Dec 22 by Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Company, of Kansas City.

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| V M Johnson—Osage Co Ks—24 steers 1105..... | 5.65 |
| W R Mochamer—Osage Co Ks—23 steers 1137..... | 5.60 |
| N F Thome—Douglas Co Ks—12 steers 1140..... | 5.50 |
| Harold K Woodbury—Osage Co Ks—24 steers 1096..... | 5.25 |
| V M Johnson—Osage Co Ks—23 steers 1130..... | 5.10 |
| Harold K Woodbury—Osage Co Ks—23 steers 1196..... | 5.00 |
| Mrs. J C Crowley—Ray Co Mo—6 sters, hfrs 928..... | 5.00 |
| Herbert Courtney—Coffey Co Ks—21 steers 835..... | 5.00 |
| James Brandon—Coffey Co Ks—9 heifers 784..... | 5.00 |
| Frank Steinbrook—Butler Co Ks—26 steers 981..... | 5.00 |
| Edward Leasman—Butler Co Ks—20 steers 841..... | 5.00 |
| Bruno Doerr—Washington Co Ks—20 steers 841..... | 5.00 |
| John Roakey—Osage Co Ks—20 steers 1076..... | 4.85 |
| J E Born—Coffey Co Ks—40 steers 891..... | 4.85 |
| Floyd Zuker—Ottawa Co Ks—22 steers 891..... | 4.75 |
| Edw. Leasman—Butler Co Ks—35 steers 1084..... | 4.75 |
| Floyd Zuker—Ottawa Co Ks—14 steers 922..... | 4.75 |
| Guy Sturdy—Wabunsee Co Ks—21 heifers 694..... | 4.65 |
| Alvin Richter—Marion Co Ks—14 steers 1071..... | 4.65 |
| Leo Bellinger—Riley Co Ks—17 steers 1155..... | 4.25 |
| Alvin Richter—Marion Co Ks—12 steers 1243..... | 4.20 |
| Harry Wayman—Lyon Co Ks—22 steers 1171..... | 4.15 |
| J E Born—Coffey Co Ks—12 steers 1238..... | 4.00 |
| A A Boydston—Linn Co Ks—7 steers 888..... | 4.00 |
| J W Falk—Wabunsee Co Ks—20 heifers 793..... | 4.00 |
| Offert & S—Jackson Co Ks—9 heifers 891..... | 4.00 |
| Edward Leasman—Butler Co Ks—7 heifers 1034..... | 4.00 |
| Geo Emerson—Gove Co Ks—7 steers 554..... | 4.00 |
| Elmer Bolongy—Anderson Co Ks—8 sters, hfrs 517..... | 3.75 |
| A E Munson—Riley Co Ks—8 heifers 776..... | 3.75 |
| A W Kraus—Wabunsee Co Ks—12 steers 906..... | 3.75 |
| E A Munson—Riley Co Ks—11 calves 338..... | 3.50 |
| Floyd Corey—Marion Co Ks—23 calves 340..... | 3.50 |
| H Holland—Jackson Co Ks—10 calves 345..... | 3.25 |
| H W Neth—Clinton Co Mo—5 steers 848..... | 3.25 |
| Art J Quinn—Ottawa Co Ks—6 steers 666..... | 3.10 |
| Martin Swanson—Saline Co Ks—21 heifers 852..... | 3.00 |
| J W Falk—Wabunsee Co Ks—12 steers 854..... | 3.00 |
| Sanders Bros—Rooks Co Ks—10 heifers 846..... | 2.75 |
| H Holland—Jackson Co Mo—10 heifers 799..... | 2.50 |
| Oscar Olson—McPherson Co Ks—16 cows 1010..... | 2.25 |
| E Holland—Jackson Co Mo—18 cows 992..... | 2.00 |
| J E Flinn—Jackson Co Ks—5 cows 830..... | 1.40 |
| Floyd Corey—Marion Co Ks—17 cows 847..... | 1.35 |

HOGS

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| E R Gass—Grundy Co Mo—54 210..... | 3.20 |
| John S Watts—Douglas Co Ks—6 216..... | 3.20 |
| Thos Glaser—Douglas Co Ks—9 206..... | 3.20 |
| O A Grim—Grundy Co Mo—10 197..... | 3.20 |
| J R Fields—Linn Co Ks—12 195..... | 3.20 |
| E C Jasper—Woodson Co Ks—8 232..... | 3.20 |
| Harry Klink—Trego Co Ks—65 212..... | 3.20 |
| J W Knoche—Miami Co Ks—23 224..... | 3.20 |
| Jeff Burt—Henry Co Mo—32 234..... | 3.20 |
| Joe Collins—Osage Co Ks—9 227..... | 3.20 |
| Wm Bertrand—Clay Co Ks—7 254..... | 3.20 |
| Ed Freese—Lafayette Co Ks—19 220..... | 3.20 |
| E V Griffiths—Livingston Co Mo—11 206..... | 3.15 |
| W E McMillen—Clay Co Ks—18 220..... | 3.15 |
| K B McLaughlin—Wabunsee Co Ks—23 220..... | 3.15 |
| C A Hook—Lafayette Co Mo—12 213..... | 3.10 |
| C L Mason—Johnson Co Mo—12 200..... | 3.10 |
| Oakley Ship Assn—Logan Co Ks—132 204..... | 3.15 |
| M Martin—Livingston Co Mo—19 194..... | 3.15 |
| Floyd Wyman—Linn Co Ks—6 208..... | 3.15 |
| Tom Hankins—Ray Co Mo—6 201..... | 3.15 |
| Ed Ogle—Howell Co Mo—7 188..... | 3.15 |
| Ed A Frobenius—Coffey Co Ks—11 203..... | 3.15 |
| Thurman Sharp—Sullivan Co Mo—7 175..... | 3.15 |
| Hale Ship Assn—Carroll Co Mo—124 187..... | 3.15 |
| Mrs Pearl Haller—Wabunsee Co Ks—7 184..... | 3.15 |
| Harry Klink—Trego Co Ks—16 171..... | 3.15 |
| C A Walkinsworth—Anderson Co Ks—18 217..... | 3.15 |
| John Vail—Linn Co Ks—6 195..... | 3.15 |
| C W Brown—Lafayette Co Mo—7 181..... | 3.15 |
| Nick Minden—Miami Co Ks—10 205..... | 3.15 |
| Chas Holman—Lafayette Co Mo—7 293..... | 3.10 |
| D P Dyre—Lafayette Co Mo—19 168..... | 3.10 |
| Claas Pope—Miami Co Ks—5 192..... | 3.10 |
| E N Dill—Wabunsee Co Ks—13 232..... | 3.10 |
| Ezra Graham—Lyon Co Ks—12 240..... | 3.10 |
| Cecil C. Sump—Washington Co Ks—24 238..... | 3.10 |
| Cullen Burnett—Linn Co Ks—11 210..... | 3.10 |
| E R Gass—Grundy Co Mo—6 268..... | 3.10 |
| Harold Burnett—Linn Co Ks—10 215..... | 3.10 |
| A E Proctor—Lafayette Co Mo—7 222..... | 3.10 |
| Edw. Eichenbaum—Lafayette Co Mo—9 224..... | 3.10 |
| A H Kohlenberg—Miami Co Ks—21 230..... | 3.10 |
| L Froeschle—Lafayette Co Mo—24 301..... | 3.10 |
| Lab Humberg—Lafayette Co Mo—15 241..... | 3.10 |
| Tom West—Allen Co Ks—13 225..... | 3.10 |
| A L Ling—Anderson Co Ks—13 232..... | 3.10 |
| F A Bishop—Franklin Co Ks—19 242..... | 3.10 |

BUTTER AND EGG MARKET LETTER

By P. L. Betts
Dairy & Poultry Cooperatives
Inc.

Week ending December 20, 1933

BUTTER

Extras for the week opened and closed at 16 cents, having been low, however, as low as 15 1/4 cents on the 18th. Standards opened at 15 cents and closed at 15 1/4 cents after being up to 16 cents on the 19th. 89 score cars opened at 14 1/2 cents, advanced to 15 3/4 cents on the 19th, and closed at 15 cents, 89 score cars opened at 13 3/4 cents, advancing to 15 cents on the 19th, and closing at 14 1/2 cents.

The butter market has made very little recovery after the perpendicular drop of 8 cents, which occurred when the Dairy Marketing Corporation ceased buying from the Government. There began to be a feeling on the 18th and 19th, that the markets had been forced lower than was necessary, and there was a little reaction from the extreme low reached by the market. However, the bearish feeling again developed and Extras were offered at 15 1/4 cents the spot board, but on account of the ruling that 300 tubs of Extras were to be changed hands at a new price, was left unchanged. Standards fell down 3/4 also 89 score cars. There is still a lot of butter coming, very likely due to the fact that considerable butter had been started to this market, where all the fresh was being dumped on the market, before the Marketing Organization ceased operations.

What happens from here will depend entirely on what the producers do. If they continue to produce anywhere near as heavily as they have been the past two or three months, we will not see much higher prices for butter for a long time. Now that the bottom has fallen out everyone is getting busy to find out what caused our tremendous receipts of fresh butter, and it is again developing that one of the main factors is due to the fact that so many of the dairy producing people are disloyal to their own industry. This writer attended a meeting of cooperative dairymen on Monday. One of the men present was

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| Roy N Anderson—Osage Co Ks—62 330..... | 3.10 |
| D A Newton—Lafayette Co Mo—8 320..... | 3.10 |
| L C Cleveland, Mgr—St. Clair Co Mo—471 202..... | 3.10 |
| Chas Strnad—Republic Co Ks—11 198..... | 3.10 |
| Henry Newland—Clay Co Mo—6 240..... | 3.10 |
| G F Jones—Marshall Co Ks—15 250..... | 3.10 |
| L E Colvin—Coffey Co Ks—10 203..... | 3.10 |
| A R Melville—Anderson Co Ks—29 212..... | 3.10 |
| Bill Kandt—Dickinson Co Ks—15 156..... | 3.10 |
| E A Parks—Franklin Co Ks—6 238..... | 3.10 |
| D T Brown—Harrison Co Mo—16 182..... | 3.10 |
| Hale Ship Assn—Carroll Co Mo—21 176..... | 3.10 |
| R T Williams—Henry Co Mo—25 160..... | 3.10 |
| Wesley Dickwa—Butler Co Ks—7 271..... | 3.10 |
| R H Gysford—Bates Co Ks—24 317..... | 3.10 |
| Everet Mankle—Allen Co Ks—6 317..... | 3.10 |
| Phil Young—Clay Co Ks—7 317..... | 3.10 |
| Henry Reichert—Lafayette Co Mo—12 221..... | 3.10 |
| L M Martz—Bates Co Mo—26 190..... | 3.10 |
| L H Featherston—Osage Co Ks—26 170..... | 3.10 |
| Mate Robinson—Allen Co Ks—5 218..... | 3.10 |
| Edw. Kim—Miami Co Ks—14 204..... | 3.10 |
| P Logan—Carroll Co Mo—9 181..... | 3.05 |
| G B Thomas—Clay Co Ks—5 230..... | 3.05 |
| A L Clem—Coffey Co Ks—8 271..... | 3.05 |
| A S Young—Coffey Co Ks—10 174..... | 3.05 |
| Geo Robe—Coffey Co Ks—10 138..... | 3.05 |
| R P Harland & Son—Linn Co Ks—17 315..... | 3.05 |
| H E Doverspike—Chase Co Ks—16 202..... | 3.05 |
| Roy Williams—Nemaha Co Ks—19 thin 130..... | 3.05 |
| Albert Flentie—Nemaha Co Ks—8 thin 138..... | 3.05 |
| Clyde Adamson—Lafayette Co Mo—9 197..... | 3.05 |
| J Henry Barnett—Lafayette Co Mo—6 191..... | 3.05 |
| Alta Vista Ship Assn—Wabunsee Co Ks—103 193..... | 3.05 |
| Edmond Hadaller—Lafayette Co Mo—14 172..... | 3.05 |
| Isaac Dowell—Morris Co Ks—37 202..... | 3.05 |
| Zerjacks Bros—Ray Co Mo—20 164..... | 3.05 |
| J Harrison—Miami Co Ks—9 242..... | 3.05 |
| Gus Carlson—Clay Co Ks—6 225..... | 3.05 |
| Geo O Poore—Marshall Co Ks—7 227..... | 3.05 |
| Ruth Kettner—Lafayette Co Ks—15 235..... | 3.05 |
| A H Alquist—Clay Co Ks—15 235..... | 3.05 |
| Geo Lawrence—Chase Co Ks—17 281..... | 3.05 |
| Chas J Miller—Geary Co Ks—6 213..... | 3.05 |
| Frank Ricketts—Miami Co Ks—17 204..... | 3.05 |
| Ubia Weston—Sullivan Co Mo—8 160..... | 3.05 |
| J L Lydal—Franklin Co Ks—9 241..... | 3.05 |
| O C Westhoff—Johnson Co Ks—13 213..... | 3.05 |
| Ellis Mossman—Wabunsee Co Ks—6 171..... | 3.05 |
| W H Smith—Woodson Co Ks—6 200..... | 3.05 |
| L H Featherston—Douglas Co Ks—10 222..... | 3.05 |
| H H Hoepfner—Lafayette Co Mo—5 288..... | 3.05 |
| E M Badders—Anderson Co Ks—15 201..... | 3.05 |
| R E Richter—Jefferson Co Ks—30 194..... | 3.05 |
| Geo Reuther—Lafayette Co Mo—35 277..... | 3.05 |
| J E Ellis—Anderson Co Ks—20 197..... | 3.05 |
| S A Pearce—Johnson Co Mo—7 194..... | 3.05 |
| Mrs. Ora Elliott—Miami Co Ks—7 200..... | 3.05 |
| Hy Dorchman—Lafayette Co Mo—16 thin 194..... | 3.00 |
| Robt. Behringer—Lafayette Co Mo—13 170..... | 3.00 |
| Hale Ship Assn—Carroll Co Mo—18 154..... | 3.00 |
| O G Norton—Linn Co Ks—30 197..... | 3.00 |
| A L Robinson—Johnson Co Ks—17 237..... | 3.00 |
| Leo Rice—Jewell Co Ks—11 305..... | 3.00 |
| Schoepflin & Buttel—Jewell Co Ks—11 305..... | 3.00 |
| John Ericson—Cloud Co Ks—13 203..... | 3.00 |
| Hale Ship Assn—Carroll Co Mo—8 143..... | 3.00 |
| Oscar Nabors—Clay Co Ks—6 210..... | 2.90 |
| Alta Vista S A—Wabunsee Co Ks—14 231..... | 2.90 |
| John Ricketts—Grundy Co Mo—11 129..... | 2.85 |
| Oakley S A—Logan Co Ks—12 134..... | 2.85 |
| Tom Hankins—Ray Co Mo—12 132..... | 2.85 |
| E E Stamper—Clay Co Ks—10 135..... | 2.75 |
| Oscar Christenson—Clay Co Ks—5 thin 194..... | 2.75 |
| Chas Strnad—Republic Co Ks—6 140..... | 2.75 |
| Oakley S A—Logan Co Ks—5 sows 226..... | 2.65 |
| O O Poore—Marshall Co Ks—10 139..... | 2.65 |
| L C Cleveland, Mgr—St. Clair Co Mo—7 184..... | 2.65 |
| Claus Pope—Miami Co Ks—10 132..... | 2.65 |
| Albert Flentie—Nemaha Co Ks—10 135..... | 2.65 |
| Hale S A—Carroll Co Mo—7 129..... | 2.60 |
| Will Kemard—Coffey Co Ks—15 122..... | 2.60 |
| Edmond Hadaller—Lafayette Co Mo—5 132..... | 2.50 |
| Zerjacks Bros—Ray Co Mo—18 125..... | 2.50 |
| Howard Long—Jasper Co Mo—6 125..... | 2.50 |
| Alta Vista S A—Wabunsee Co Ks—10 128..... | 2.50 |
| Alta Vista S A—Wabunsee Co Ks—14 365..... | 2.40 |
| W E McMillan—Clay Co Ks—6 326..... | 2.40 |
| Hale S A—Carroll Co Mo—5 237..... | 2.35 |
| L C Cleveland, Mgr—St. Clair Co Mo—16 150..... | 2.25 |
| L M Martz—Bates Co Mo—8 132..... | 2.25 |
| Chas J Smith—Henry Co Mo—8 468..... | 2.25 |
| Will Kemard—Coffey Co Ks—31 92..... | 2.00 |
| Aug Pralle—Wabunsee Co Ks—5 pigs 84..... | 2.00 |
| Albert Flentie—Nemaha Co Ks—10 pigs 100..... | 2.00 |

SHEEP

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| Geo J Mead—Cass Co Mo—18 96..... | 6.85 |
| W T Mann—Gove Co Ks—10 82..... | 6.85 |
| W E McMillan—Clay Co Ks—12 90..... | 6.75 |
| C E Forth—Osage Co Ks—13 72..... | 6.75 |
| Victor Shon—Grundy Co Ks—10 78..... | 6.75 |
| C Gronquist—Riley Co Ks—7 80..... | 5.25 |
| C E Forth—Osage Co Ks—7 61..... | 4.50 |
| C Gransuist—Riley Co Ks—8 62..... | 4.25 |

from the fluid milk areas. He said that a recent circular letter sent out by their organization requesting their members to be loyal and use butter instead of oleo brought a reply from a lady who said, "We have your letter and we are very sorry to have to advise you that your suspicions are correct, for we happen to be one of the few community ones is about the only family that uses butter. All the rest of them are selling every pound of milk they can possibly produce and buy oleo."

Another man who came from an area where a large percentage of the milk was sold to a condenser said that a recent check up in their community showed about the same result. Another one of the men who was from a butter producing area said that a committee had recently checked up on the stores in the country towns and found that about two pounds of oleo were being sold to one pound of butter, and that the farmers were the chief purchasers of same and he stated that in his community so far as he knew that every farmer sold some dairy products. It is next to impossible for him to go to the Government and demand that foreign fats and oils be embargoed and kept out of the country, from which source oleo is made, when the dairy producers themselves are the chief users of the product.

We presume that the Government will be severely criticized by farmers for withdrawing its support from the butter market, however, our advice is not to be too hasty in that respect. The administration made it very clear that it was not anxious to enter into any stabilization or price fixing deals, and pointed out that the greatest need was to get production, at the earliest possible moment, more in line with the current needs of the market and asked that the cooperative leaders get back of a program to do that.

I stated in my letter last week that in my opinion the cooperative leaders had not been nearly as aggressive as they should have been in carrying out their part of the program. It becomes very evident that unless the Government stood ready to buy all the surplus butter coming onto the market for months that the established prices could not be maintained, for it was obvious that so long as those prices were paid, producers would be inclin-

ed (working their "rugged individualism" to the limit) not to reduce production, but rather appeared to be increasing.

Again let me say that in the opinion of this writer the rank and file are not so much to blame as the leaders, who were entirely too leisurely in helping to work out and put into effect a proper program. It is too soon to make any definite statements as yet, for the facts covering the situation are not all clear.

That immediate future action is to be taken is evidenced by the request sent out by the new Administrator, Chester C. Davis, calling for a meeting of the Dairy Producers of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. on Friday, December 22, for a further consideration of the matter.

We do not know whether what has now happened will convince our dairy producers that it is a case of produce more in line with market requirements if they wish to get better prices for what they do produce. Many oil producers in Oklahoma bitterly opposed the Governor's attempt to restrict production of crude oils, but as a result of such restrictions these same producers are now getting more money for one barrel of oil than they did for three before restrictions went into effect, and the same would apply to dairy products. The writer doesn't "care a rap" what kind of a program is put into effect to control the production of dairy products just so it accomplishes what is desired, for we are more than ever sure that we are in for a long period of very low prices unless it is done.

EGGS

The egg market has remained fairly steady throughout the week under review. In fact the market is closing the week a little higher than at the open. Strictly fresh eggs, the "strictly" needs to be emphasized. Extra Firsts opened at 19 1/2 cents and have been 20 cents during the last four days of the week. Fresh Firsts opened at 17 cents, advanced 1 1/4 cent, held it for three days, and losing 1 1/4 cent today. Current Receipts are up 1 cent, opening at 15 1/2 cents and closing at 16 1/2 cents. Dirties and Checks are unchanged at 12 cents throughout the week.

The story has been different on storage eggs, however, and storage eggs for January delivery today made

a new low, selling down at one time as low as 12 7/8 cents. This in spite of the fact, that while we still have a great many more eggs in storage than we had on even date a year ago, they have been moving out of storage much more rapidly than they did at this time last year, and fresh receipts are running considerably behind what they were a year ago. Everyone cannot forget what has happened the past two years when the storages eggs had to be practically given away as soon as a reasonable number of fresh eggs began appearing on the market.

The weather has been very favorable for production of all kinds, both butter and eggs. It can hardly be said that we have had any winter at all up to date as compared to what winter weather ordinarily is, and as a result everyone is calculating that almost any day now we will begin to see a large production of fresh eggs, and there is no question but what that will be the case, unless farmers are not providing themselves with high-powered laying mashers etc., as they did at this time last year. That is about the only unknown quantity. Reports are that farmers are not feeding this type of feeds and of course it is a well known fact that without high-powered mashers, production will be fully one-third less than would be the case otherwise, unless farmers have on their own farms such feeds as will make up a balanced ration.

There is one thing that heavy production will mean, and that is almost unprecedented low prices for eggs throughout the early part of the winter, without it and some real winter, egg prices could easily advance considerably from present levels. It will be a weather market largely for some time.

TIME TO PAY YOUR DUES IN YOUR UNION

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and should send them in to the state office as promptly as possible. Members cannot receive authorized state membership cards until the dues have been received at the state office.

As was mentioned earlier in this article, the Kansas Farmers Union is no longer requiring the payment of the \$2 initiation fee. When that fee was in effect, a new member was required to pay a total of \$4.75—\$2 initiation fee and \$2.75 dues. Now that amount is cut to the \$2.75. The payment of this fee was voted out by the last state convention, and the action is not being taken in the referendum votes being taken in the various locals.

Some members may be confused by the action taken by the state office, with the consent of the state board, last fall, whereby a prospective or new member could come into the Union for the remaining part of 1933, and for the whole of 1934, and the payment of the regular \$2.75 dues for 1934, plus 25 cents for the remainder of 1933. This arrangement has, of course, expired; because 1933 is gone. Those who took advantage of the arrangement are paid in full until the end of December, 1933. Your membership card will indicate when your membership expires.

Members who failed to pay 1933 dues, but who had been members previous to that year, and who, therefore, received the Kansas Union Farmer during 1933, will be required to pay both 1933 and 1934 dues to be come members in good standing. A rule which has been followed for several years allows a delinquent member, if he has been delinquent for two years, to come in as a new member. That means, since the elimination of the initiation fee of \$2, that such a member can re-join as a new member at a total cost of \$2.75, the amount of the current or 1934 dues.

The Kansas Farmers Union is not now employing organizers to go into communities and work up membership interest. That seems an unnecessary expense, which, of course, is finally paid by the members, or Local; for it is work which the Local members and officers can best do for themselves. This idea was tested out thoroughly last summer and fall during the membership drive. The real test was done by the members themselves, among their own neighbors. It did not require a lot of time to be sacrificed by any one man, although it took a certain amount of time and effort unselfishly given by the members. The best part of the plan was that the plan of neighbor calling on neighbor brought results. It can bring results again.

The blight and the anthracnose are two of the most serious diseases with which bean growers of the state have to deal. The best control for these two diseases is the use of disease-free seed. If they wish to be selected from a plot that is disease free, or seed may be purchased from some of the northwestern states where

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