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I HEARD A VOICE CRYING IN THE WILD

24th Annual Convention Kansas Division Farmers Education and Co-Operative Union of America

(continued from last week)

George W. Hobbs.

The report from the Wichita house

rect. Out of 6600 cars of hogs but

2340 cars came into the yards through

E. E. Martz, president of board of

I have been associated with the co-

The Program committee gave the premium I pay on my policy, or that Life Insurance company 30 minutes.

I want to use that time. I am asking for your co-operation. Second, do you know insurance If do you know insurance. If you knew immediately available for the members the Farmers Union company and safety and privileges it enjoys the same as any other local recovery. safety and privileges it enjoys the same as any other legal reserve company you would be a policy holder and I would have your co-operation. Life Insurance is the biggest business in the country today. That is why farmers are interested in it. The reserves of the life insurance companies of New York have piled up until there is enough to pay every farm mortgage in the United States if it was used that way. Why does that concern us? It is because the man who holds the mortgage owns the land. Those same mortgage owns the land. Those same good to meet the necessary costs of operation. It is available to Farmers Union. It is available to Farmers Union. It is available to Farmers Union folks. It has the most advantageous things from a business stand-point. I am proud of my Farmers Union policy and those of you who hold them and all of the rest of you who are going to get them, you will be proud also.

James J. O'Shea sang the Montana Farmers Union song.

Because of the programs of some taking more time than alloted, our taking more time than alloted, our mortgage owns the land. Those same taking more time than alloted, our companies in that state own \$5,000; time and program had become concompanies in that state own \$5,000,5 time and program had become construction of the convention's wish.

The chairman asked what was the convention's wish.

John Daly moved that we proceed

you I am going to tell you something about myself. I am one of the 99% who say he was born and raised on the farm. I have been a farmer all sent of the group we would continue with the program as outlined.

Mr. Geo. W. Hobbs, manager of the Farmers Union Live Stock association E. E. Martz, president of that the farm. I have been a farmer all my life. I like the farm. I like to mingle and associate with farmers. I tion, E. E. Martz, president of that association, and Directors Alva Stryker, Wm. Lyons, J. B. George together with Bob Lieurance, cattle-salasman of Kansas City were called was fool enough to quit college when I was half through and go into farm-I have been interested in insurance and a firm believer in life insurance. getner with Bob Lieurance, cattle-salesman of Kansas City were called to the platform and each made a few remarks. Mr. L. J. Alkire manager of the Wichita house, and Wm. Ris-ley, hog salesman at that place were At all times I have owned enough to protect my family and creditors. I have been writing a little insurance for the Farmers Union company for the last 4 years. Stafford county has more Farmers Union life insurance in force than any other company in the United States and my name is also introduced. in the United States and my name is

on all but 3 or 4 of those applications.
I just finished drilling 500 acres of wheat 3 weeks ago when the home office of the Farmers Union Life Insurance company called me and ask-ed me if I would take this job. I for a while now. I have a wife and 3 children and expect to make a liv-ing for them and make available to and continued in that canacity until the farmers of Kansas the life in- and continued in that capacity until We have opened an office March 1 of this year. You are acin Salina. We have a large number quainted with the results of the stock-of good representatives but we need holders meeting last February when of good representatives but we need a good many more and we want a sentative in every town of any size was selected to take his place. and in every community where we have Farmers Union activities. We expect through district schools and field men and representatives to condered you by an intelligent and ef- Head handled 208,359 as against 282, ficient life insurance company, Any- 556 for 1928. body can sell life insurance. Life tives can reach down and get a policy suited to your financial and family needs they can render the service you earnings for the full year of 1928. The are entitled to in buying life insur- average net earnings per car handled

I am asking that each man who receives a contract with us must be able to secure the approval of his own local Farmers Union Board or county this time should anybody drive into in the handling of cattle. There has mers Union Life Insurance, you will know he is a Farmers Union member, crease. your yard and solicit you for Farand equipped to render you a real life

surance company. I could tell you what a Farmers Union Mutual Life Insurance company policy will mean Insurance company policy will mean to you but I am not going to do that. I want to leave this thought with you your family in the future purchase or in hogs and second in sheep from re-invest in life insurance, that before ceipts of commission firms in the and impress upon you that if you or Union has to offer. I will be here the rest of the convention and will be glad to meet any of your requests be glad to meet any of your requests be glad to meet any of your requests by 13.8 per cent of the total amount who is one of the members of our does not include the hogs coming diexecutive board composed of 5 mem-

fective and industrious and efficient young man who comes to the head of the Farmers Union Life Insurance directors: costs in insurance. Farmers Union you of your condition more than a fiproperty insurance will cost enough nancial depression. Four years ago handicap as we have in agriculture I was placed in the position of chairoutside of the low prices we have had to contend with has been our inability to contend with his with his work with the biggest ambarrassment of my life. ity to capitalize our production. The

It Should Be An Easy Matter for Every Farmer to Discover Which Side the Devil Is On In This Co-Operative Battle

Any Weak-Kneed Farmer Who Doubts That the Agricultural Marketing Act, and the Federal Farm Board Will Be of Benefit to Agriculture Will Have His Mind Set at Rest, If He Will Read the Following Editorial in the National Grain Journal for September:

THE TWENTY MILLION DOLLAR CENTRAL SELLING CORPORA-TION WILL MAKE A PITIFUL WRECK OF THE PRESENT GRAIN MARKETING MACHINERY

Planned for Years by Heads of Divisions of the Department of Agriculture, Sponsored by Our Government, and Now Being Organized by the Federal Farm Board During the World War a story went the rounds about a darkey soldier from the South

who made a swipe at a German soldier with his razor. The German is reported to have said: The darky's reply was: "If you don't think so just start to wiggle your head!"

In this case, the Department of Agriculture for years has planned the destruction of the grain trade; the enactment of the Agricultural Marketing Act; the appoinment of the Federal Farm Board; its organizing all farmer groups under one corporation as a Central Selling Agency, is not unlike the razor movement of the darky upon the grain trade. The grain trade's head has been severed but the grain trade as yet does not seem to realize

All it will have to do is to wiggle it a little to find out the truth. "Grey wolf!" has been cried so many times—a phantom enemy had been so long in mind—the trade as a whole hardly realizes that at last a death stroke has been wielded.

And it will be most heart-rending to the grain trade, and the grain producer whom the grain trade serves, to learn that the one man in whom so much faith was reposed was the one who held the raz and delivered the blow-Herbert Hoover, whom they voted for so generously. He delivered the blow when he affixed his signature to the Agricultural Marketing Act. He

expressed his satisfaction when he appointed some of the nation's foremost marketing extremists upon the Farm Board.

ed in a letter he wrote to The National Grain Journal, dated May 27, 1929. In it he said:
"I realize that there have been many failures among farm co-operatives, but there are also of the crop, nearly or quite half of the crop. The pool never was able to get control of anywhere near able to get control of anywhere near not opposing the administration farm program.

Nambers of the Union League Club, Chicago and the converted and consequents that amount of wheat and consequents are composing the administration farm program. pressed in a letter he wrote to The National Grain Journal, dated May 27, 1929. In it he said: outstanding successes which give great promise for the future.'

So, when members of the grain trade rather expect a champion for their cause in our able to get control of anywhere near able to get control of anywhere near that amount of wheat and consequently failed. The plan being worked out by the Federal Farm Board, in my opinion, stands a better show of success than any plan heretofore suggests. League members were grain men, others were bankers, familiar with the grain marketing machinery.

Imagine their chagrin and surprise after the appointment, to be denied the privilege of having a grain representative meet with the Farm Board when it held its first meeting at Chicago. The Chicago Board of Trade and other exchanges made a similar request. All were denied Mr. Hobbs gave a most encouraging report of the business with the Kansas City house the past 9 months as did Mr. Alkire for the Wcihita branch. I became active in connection with

grain representative meet with the Farm Board when it need its first meeting at Officago. Beard of Trade and other exchanges made a similar request. All were denied as the demand warrants. the live stock commission company in 1920 when I was employed as book keeper. At the time the branch ting. Only those who were admitted who were known to be opposed to the a seat at the m

house was opened in Wichita, I was Personal appeals of old friends were made Chairman Legge. But the answer was their present order of grain marketing. "Embarrassing," mind you, to attend what was supposed to be a public meeting, at which presence would be "embarrassing." was to be discussed, and national government plans laid, which would affect every dollar they lowing applications for loans:

Mr. Woodman presented his resignation to the Board of Directors and I had invested in their business, and which was destined to lay waste all the value of their life's Some within the trade, realizing they are without avenue of relief from the man they Mr. Creitz is going to read you the

Some within the trace, realizing they to Alexander Legge. But the plans he is carrying sociation to make advances to its elected President, have instinctively turned to Alexander Legge. But the plans he is carrying sociation to make advances to its Total number of loads of live stock checked lies delicity, have installed for the first 9 months of this handled for the first 9 months of this out and all his public expressions finds him withdrawing further from their grasp. Now, there is no use beating about the bush any longer. The grain trade might just as

year 4305 as against 4122 for 1928. well admit—might just as well realize—it is in the first stages of a death struggle. The cards are Total value \$8,476,978.57 as against The ammunition is public sentiment. That has been manufactured in great quantites by stacked against it. \$7,666,428.14 for 1928. The volume the Department of Agriculture, politicians and nit-wits, for a generation past.

The Canadian pool is playing a very important part in the shaping of our destiny, as the inal Association, St. Paul, Minn., supfaith President Hoover has in the new plan, and the moulding of the new 20 million dollar corporation, has been borrowed from it. Tons of pool literature are journeying into the states. Its principal spell-binder addressed official Washington last winter. No attempt was made to prove principal spen-billion addressed officers. This loan that employed by the regular trade, but its activities, enable the association to make During the first 9 months of this volume of business, and coloring in behalf of the producer, were so well spent, so vivid that ofyear there was a decrease of receipts ficial Washington, as well as the President, were said to be "profoundly impressed." in the yards of 93,111 head of cattle but your firm has shown an increase How the Whole Scheme Is Being Worked

In the first place it must be understood this farm relief marketing plan is not simply a political platform flareup. It is a deep-seated scheme and the foundation for it has been laid by Department of Agriculture activities for about 18 years past. The fact that President Hoover fell for the scheme is only incidental. If Al Smith had been elected he might have thrown in some personal differences, but they would not have been noticed more than a squall on the ocean's

The one master mind of the whole scheme—at one time Chief of the Bureau of Markets has laid his plans well. They began to mature in the Grain Standard. Act, the Grain Futures Act, the Federal and State Co-operative Acts, Intermediate Credit Banks, and a number of other them. I am going to touch briefly upon the figures. In 1928 the Wichservices rendered by the Government and for the purpose of connecting its activities up with the ita branch was first in cattle and first in hogs and second in sheep from re-

vitals of farm product marketing. The public press has kept all advised of recent moves, so we will not review that phase of your ramily and your remow farmers to first investigate what the Farmers Union has to offer. I will be here of receipts so far this year. The

trade might as well try to outguess a hog with an automobile as to expect assistance now from be glad to meet any of your requests for information regarding life infor information regarding life insurance, and I am asking Mr. Huff,
sion firms in the Wichita yards. That
who is one of the members of our does not include the hors coming di-From now on the grain trade will need all its resources in its fight for its life, and hould

be careful about drizzling out money to those who are working to undermine it. The call "to arms" has been sounded, and every man must be known now for the stand C. E. Huff.

I want to say that the Farmers Union family group were delighted to welcome the family the quiet and effective and industrious and efficient great service.

I have to arms nas been sounded, and every man must be known now for the stand out in the call "to arms nas been sounded, and every man must be known now for the stand out in the takes. "The Guide," "The Mirror," "The Manager," "The Year Book"—all must stand out in the takes. "The Guide," "The Mirror," "The Manager," "The Year Book"—all must stand out in the takes. "The Guide," "The Manager," "The Year Book"—all must stand out in the takes. "The Guide," "The Manager," "The Year Book"—all must stand out in the takes. "The Guide," "The Manager," "The Year Book"—all must stand out in the takes. "The Guide," "The Manager," "The Year Book"—all must stand out in the takes. "The Guide," "The Manager," "The Year Book"—all must stand out in the takes. "The Guide," "The Manager," "The Year Book"—all must stand out in the takes. "The Guide," "The Manager," "The Year Book"—all must stand out in the takes. "The Guide," "The Manager," "The Year Book"—all must stand out in the takes. "The Guide," "The Manager," "The Year Book"—all must stand out in the takes. "The Guide," "The Manager," "The Year Book"—all must stand out in the takes. "The Guide," "The Manager," "The Year Book"—all must stand out in the takes. "The Guide," "The Manager," "The Year Book"—all must stand out in the takes. "The Guide," "The Year Book"—all must stand out in the takes. "The Guide," "The Year Book"—all must stand out in the takes. "The Guide," "The Year Book"—all must stand out in the takes. "The Guide," "The Year Book"—all must stand out in the takes. "The Guide," "The Year Book"—all must stand out in the takes. "The Year Book"—all must stand out in the takes. "The Year Book"—all must stand out in the takes. "The Year Book"—all must stand out in the takes. "The Year Book"—all must stand out in the takes. "The Year Book"—all must stand out in the takes. "The Year Book"—all must stan

A bunch of jackals or coyots will set up on their butts and howl when they A punch of jackais of coyots will set up on their butts and nowl when they are driven away from their prey; the Lion of Co-operation has come between the old line grain are driven away from their prey; the Lion of Co-operation has come between the old line grain are driven away from their prey; the Lion of Co-operation has come between the old line grain are driven away from their prey; and of course they will howl. They realize that this Agricultural Marketing Remember curses sometiment and their prey; and of course they will how to be the complete that the complete curses sometiment are the complete curses and their prey; and of course they will how to be the complete curses sometiment. been one of us all of the time being identified with the Farmers Union work in his own county and district and neighborhood. The district representative on the executive board. There is an essential factor in farm there is an essential factor in farm there is an essential factor in farm the farmers. Union the marketing of grain, and they talk about, is only their private property of theirs which they talk about, is only their private property of theirs which they talk about, is only their property, forgetting that this private property of theirs which they talk about, is only their property, forgetting that this private property of theirs which they talk about, is only their property, forgetting that this private property of theirs which they are howling about only means the restoring to the farmers of their wight. ty insurance will cost enough nancial depression. Four years ago property which they are nowing about only means the restoring to the farmers of their right as American citizens to market their own products, to build up their own industry, to control their own of the property loss during the organization on the Missouri side as American citizens to market their own products, to build up their own industry, to control their great industry in the country does not be property as every other great industry in the country does not be property as a country does not be property.

the organization on the Missouri side as American citizens to market offen own in the organization on the board as own business the same as every other great industry in the country does. I do not know whether the life in surface company can ever equal the record made in this one area or not. I want to say two things. Rather two phases of one thing. With regard to the capital which agriculture has so sadly lacked in the last few years. It is probably as serious a handicap as we have in agriculture was placed in the position of chair-published of the lown was a proper is a prostitute of the cond made in this one area or not. I want to say two things. Rather two phases of one thing. With regard to the capital which agriculture has so sadly lacked in the last few years. It is probably as serious a handicap as we have in agriculture as possible of the lown was a prostitute of the condition of chair-published of the lown was a prostitute of conders of the Federal Farm Board has done—it is very likely it could even not a large line of advertisements in dealer's advertisements. Whenever you find a large line of advertisements in the old line grain dealers' advertisements. Whenever you find a large line of advertisements in the old line grain dealers' advertisement printed in any cooperative paper, remember what the editor of this Grain Dealers Journal has said of them. "Herefore co-operation among farmers has begun and ended largely at the old line grain dealers' advertisements. Whenever you find a large line of advertisements in "Herefore co-operation among farmers has begun and ended largely at the old line grain dealers' advertisements in any cooperative paper, remember what the editor of this Grain Dealers Journal has said of them. "Herefore co-operation among farmers has begun and ended largely at the old line grain dealers' advertisements. Whenever you find a large line of advertisements in "Herefore co-operation among farmers has begun and ended largely at the old line grain dealers' advertisements in any cooperative paper, remember what the editor of this Grain Dealers Journal has said of them. "Herefore co-operation among farmers has begun and ended are pure of the Federal Farm Board have the I hope every cooperative manager will notice particularly what is said in this editorial about

tional Grain Corporation. (Continued on page two)

FROM PASSING COMMENT By Tom McNeal in Kansas Farmer

Writing from Holyrood, Alex Ritcher says: "Want to let you know that three of us from Holyrood are going to petition 800 grain dealers of Kansas asking them to petition their cmmunities against the proposition of the farmers co-operating and borrow-ing money from our Government in ing money from our Government in order that they may speculate on the pauper market of the world at Liverpool to dispose of their surplus wheat crop. We are for a standard price on all the wheat produced on the same basis as during the war, the price to be set by the Agricultural Farm Board, And whatever the loss may be on all export wheat sales, the same on all export wheat sales, the same to be obtained from those farmers who produced the largest number of -are the ones who should have the bushels during each year, for they are the cause of overproduction and ought to be made to stand the loss. It will give us pleasure to the stand the loss. It will the standard program.

—are the ones who should have the most to fear from the federal farm board program.

Alexander Legge, chairman of the give us pleasure to the standard program.

it is another wheat pool, only it takes another name to fool the farmers and every honest man." There seems to be some inconsisten- trade was not as serious as some There seems to be some inconsistency in first proposing that the price of wheat be fixed by the Agricultural Farm Board and then denouncing the same body as being possessed of a "fool idea." Just how Mr. Richter would have the loss all shouldered off onto those who produce the largest wheat crops I do not know.

Now my opinion is that the funda-

The Federal Farm Board today announced that it has approved the fol-1. A commodity loan not exceeding \$5,000,000 to the Western Cattle Marketing Association, San Francisco, Calif. This loan will enable the asing 75 per cent of the appraised value of the cattle at the time the loan is association to a member is that the serted additional regional rather than cattle must be under contract to be marketed through the association. 2. A commodity loan not exceeding

\$300,000 to the Farmers Union Termermediate Credit Bank, St. Paul, on grain stored in licensed country ele- in the World War, is under considerawith the wheat loan policy announced cago, October 26.

BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU SAY In speaking of a person's faults, Pray don't forget your own; Remember those with homes of glass Should seldom throw a stone. f we have nothing else to do But talk of those who sin, Tis better we commence at home,

And from that point begin. We have no right to judge a man Until he's fairly tried; should we not like his company, We know the world is wide. Some may have faults—and who

The old as well as young; Perhaps we may for aught we know Have fifty to their one.

I'll tell you of a better plan, And find it works full well To try my own defects to cure Before of other tell;

And though I sometimes hope to be No worse than some I know, My own shortcomings bid me let The faults of others go.

Then let us all, when we commence To slander friend or foe, Think of the harm one word may do Remember curses sometimes like Our chickens "roost at home; Don't speak of others' faults until

We have none of our own. FEDERAL FARM BOARD

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Threat to Grain Trade is Not Serious--Legge

Those Who Actually Handle Wheat
Are In Little Danger From the
Federal Farm Board's Program, He Says

(From The Kansas City Star)
Washington, Dec. 13.—The private
grain dealers who "handle pink tickets"—the grain speculators and not
the "fellow who handles actual wheat"

give us pleasure to see a writeup by Tom McNeal on this subject, for there are a lot of our best men in business who feel the effect of the fool ideas of our Agricultural Farm Board, for ganization in the subject of the fool ideas of our Agricultural Farm Board, for ganization in the subject of the fool ideas of our Agricultural Farm Board, for ganization is put out of business of the subject of the fool ideas of the subject of the su who feel the effect of the fool ideas of our Agricultural Farm Board, for it is another wheat pool, only it takes another name to fool the farmers and another name to fool the farmers and the believed the threat to the grain he believed the threat to the grain he believed the target of the sound of the

onto those who produce the largest wheat crops I do not know.

Now my opinion is that the fundamental idea of the wheat pool was sound, with this very important exception: The pool was organized on the theory that it would be able to get control of enough grain to dominate the market. In order to accomplish that it would be necessary to

ge said. "Later, there may be some changes as circumstances may warrant, but I see none ahead in our general policy."

The farm board contemplates no loans to co-operatives for new ter-minal elevators in Kansas City, but Legge indicated strongly some regional elevators would be financed in Southwest Kansas. He said there was a greater need for storage space in the Southwest than in the Northwest If regional elevators are built in the producing areas of the Southwest. Legge said the wheat might be shipped direct to Galveston or through

Kansas City. The Farmers' National Grain Corporation, the farmers' central co-operative, now is making a survey to determine what new grain storage facilities should be built. Legge aswould be required to handle the wheat marketed through the farmer co-op-

eratives. Won't Criticize Lonsdale Edward Flesh of St. Louis, second ice-president of the grain corporation

vators or warehouses. This loan will tion for general manager of the farmers' central co-operative with headvances to its grower members in line quarters in Chicago. Legge did not know whether the board of directors by the Federal Farm Board in Chi- of the national co-operative had been This was the poable to employ him. sition offered Charles W. Lonsdale of Kansas City, whom the farm board chairman today refused to criticize for his attack on the farm program. Legge said he would "not jump on a

The request of the grain trade that government loans be made to farmers outside the co-operatives, Mr. Lege said, could not be granted as this was not permitted by the law creating the board. Legge admitted the grain trade had made objection to some of the farm leaders who have been placed in charge of the grain marketing organization set up by the board. The chairman believed there was some ground for a part of this

complaint. While Chairman Legge was stating there would be no change in the farm board program as a result of the grain trade's protest, Senator Burton K.
Wheeler of Montana, progressive
Democrat, was predicting in the senate that the private dealers had nothing to fear from the board's program. He intimated that some of the president's close associates were friends of the grain dealers.—K. C. Times, Dec.

affiliating existing co-operatives and creating others along commodity lines so that producers may meet the market on a large scale basis. the fact that about one-third of the agricultural commodities in this country are handled co-operatively, the farmer deals in small units without adequate co-ordination of his efforts as to grading, distribution and without credit facilities to encompass a

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NATIONAL GRAIN CORPORATIONS SUC-CESS DEPENDS ON US

Some Farmers Union folks seemed to be all worked up about the National Grain Corporation swallowing up, or destroying our Farmers Union terminal marketing companies, and cite as an example, the buying cutright of the Rural Grain Company of Chicago, Ill. This deal was an cutright purchase, and I do not suppose it would have been made unless the Rural Grain Company was willing to sell.

The Agricultural Marketing Act is a fact; the Federal Farm Board is a fact; the National Grain Corporation is a fact; and while there may be some danger of the existing setup of the cooperative grain marketing companies in going along with them, it would be worse than suicide not to. The National Grain Corporation will be just what the cooperative organizations that join it, make of it. Common sense would teach us that these cooperative companies are not going to destroy themselves.

After a very careful study of the Articles of Incorporation and the By-Laws of the National Grain Corporation, and the Agricultural Marketing Act, I fail to find a single instance where there is even a hint of destroying the existing cooperatives; in fact, the whole intent of the Bill, and of the Federal Farm Board, if we are to believe their published statements, is to encourage and build up the cooperative institutions instead of tearing them down.

The cooperative institution which fails to come in with the rest and help to make of this National Marketing Corporation an institution of service to the farmers of this country, is in exactly the same position as the farmer when approached, and asked to join the Farmers Union and take stock in a local elevator, and he swells up and points to some cooperative institution which has failed, saying, "You fellows can't run a business, you are sure to fail."

GRAIN TRADE NEEDS CAMPAIGN FUNDS

"It takes money to fight back, and this is another reason why the grain which would not any more pay expenses if there were two bushels to handle this crop. The farmer will get more. The public will pay more But the grain commission merchant will work on the same margin of profit which would not any more than pay expenses if there were tgo bushels to one to handle. While there is no fixed margin, or rule governing margins, for the country elevators, there should be a general understanding among them so that a fair, reasonable margin could be had commensurate with a short crop. If the grain trade would protect itself from those who are wont to impose upon it, it should have available funds. The weakness of

an industry in proportion to its earning capacity."

Comment: This is another editorial from the National Grain Journal. This advice to the country elevators, asking them to get together and fix the price so there will be greater profits for them at the expense of the farmers, should be convincing argument for any thinking man that there is need for the farmers to market their own grain. This is the attitude which has always been taken by the men who have been doing the marketing for the farmers; "All the traffic will bear.". This advice is given boldly, with no regard for the fact that the farmers are not getting more for the short crop which they tell about. No attempt is made to hide the reason for this advice; it is to raise more money to fight this cooperative program as outlined by the Federal Farm Board.

"And I Heard A Voice Crying in The Wilderness" (Continued from page 1)

A short editorial from the same National Grain Journal. Here is a plain admission that the grain trade has been trying to corrupt the cooperative press, and the cooperative elevators of the country. The grain trade has seen this revolution in the marketing of grain coming for years, and they have tried by every means in their power to head it off; they have come out into the open now and are spilling the beans; they are mad. "Whom the Gods would destroy, they first make mad." It will be open warfare from now on, and every stockholder in a cooperative company, every member of a farm organization and every cooperative elevator manager must choose which side he will fight on; "you cannot serve two masters," you are either for us or against us. "Once to every man and nation comes the moment to decide

In the strife of Truth with Falsehood, for the good or evil side, Some great Cause, God's new Messiah, offering each the bloom

Parts the goats upon the left hand and the sheep upon the right And the choice goes on forever 'twixt that darkness and that light." —Lowell.

A HOWL FROM THE PRIVATE the Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce issued in the form of a state-GRAIN DEALERS

If there are still some doubting ment on Sunday, November 17th, and Thomases among the farmers about the merits of the Federal Marketing Act and the intent of the Federal Farm Board to carry out both the letter and the spirit of the act, your doubts should turn to "cheers." Martin Luther once said that when he was in doubt about a question he always tried to find ont which side was the "DEVIL." He knew then that if he took the side opposite to the Devil, he would be right.

Silence and complacency on the part of the private grain trade toward the Federal Marketing Act, would mean that the speculators regard the efforts of the Farm Board to actually help farmers, the only way farmers can be helped, viz., by stepping in and fixing a minimum price on wheat, below which the speculators may not sell the market short, as futile and ineffective. But the private grain dealers are worried. They are more than that. They are mad. They see the fat farmer goose from which they have in-dustriously picked the feathers for many years, slipping out of their

If you doubt, read this wail from

papers: The Federal Farm Board's grain program came in for sharp attacks Saturday at the hands of Minneapolis grain men who view the Board's pol-icies as price fixing, unsound and like-ceding administrations and by both

ket decline, last week, reaching a ing the farmer prosper: point where farmers in North Dakota "First — Decreasing farm costs could collect only 90 cents if they sold outright. Toward the close of the week, prices strengthened and Decemweek, prices strengthened and Decem"Second—By reducing the surplus ber futures were just under the \$1.25 raised. "Thi crisis eased, although grain men said the situation still is serious. J. H. McMillan, president of the Cargill Elevator Co., issued a state-

ment after conferring with other grain trade leaders.
Mr. McMillan's statement announces

"With sincere regret I note the policy which the Farm Board has adopted of attempting to fix a minimum price Union Buttons. Two kinds. Large for wheat by making loans direct to ones that are gree nand gold, and bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat at Both sizes sell at 25 cents each. Minneapolis, less freight charges.

"Price fixing has been condemned by all economists of standing for many years. It has been attempted by governments at various times ever since the Phillips County F. E. & C. U. of A. No. 27 will be held at Phillipsburg in disaster. Price fixing has been Saturday, December 21st at 1 o'clock. condemned most vigorously by President Coolidge and his administration

published in the Twin City news- and by President Hoover, and both have strongly condemned governm interference in business.

The Farm Board policy referred to

is in utter violation of the stand herepolitical parties as well. It means inly to cause inflation.

The dealers said they saw wheat flation with all of its attendant evils prices drop along with the stock mar- There are only three methods of mak-

were getting \$1 a bushel advance un- either by greater efficiency through der the Farm Board's program but the use of mechanical appliances or

> "Third-By increasing the market for his products, which involves great consumptive buying or making new markets available.
> "Price fixing of this character is

directly in opposition to all three methods. It tends to destroy the out-(Continued on page 4) We have a new line of Farmers Union Buttons. Two kinds. Large

NOTICE QUARTERLY MEETING

Co. Sec.-Treas.

The President's

(C. A. WARD)

KANSAS FARMERS ARE KEENLY INTERESTED IN THE TWO MAJOR SUBJECTS OF THE DAY

Farm Board and Tax Action.

I have just returned from a four day trip that took me into several rural communities of eastern Kansas, and find that the farmers, almost without exception, are giving the two subjects above referred to much careful thought and consideration.

Men are always interested in those things which are fundamental to their progress and success. These subjects are live ones because back of it all, for many years there has been developing the urgent need that something should be done to bring financial relief especially to the farming industry. During the deflation period since the world war, farm values in many sections of the country have decreased to an alarming degree, for instance, in Eastern Kansas especially, farms that changed hands for \$75 to \$150 per acre can today be bought for less than one half that amount in many instances. During all of this, the cost of farm operations, living expenses and taxes have been on the increase to the extent that the average farmer finds himself unable to meet the situation and large numbers today are in a state of bankruptcy.

The outgrowth of all this has created sentiment, and as a result the two major political parties in the last political campaign made the agricultural question one of the leading issues.

Today we have the Federal Farm Board wrestling with this gigantic problem, and they should be credited with making progress during the few months that they have been in operation.

This whole undertaking is a tremendous one, and is somewhat of an experiment, but we feel that by the full support and cooperation of agricultural interests permanent relief may be expected from time to time. Nearly the entire program of the Board as defined by the Agricultural Marketing Act and as forecast by members hinges upon the development of cooperative marketing, in fact cooperative marketing is a fundamental in the policy of the board. The theory behind the cooperative idea is that the producer member shall get for himself the profits that now go to the private interests for their part in distribution; and that costs of marketing can be reduced, and savings to be passed back to the farmer. The processes of marketing are those of moving, holding, placing and selling. It has not been my purpose, in this short article to discuss at length the many details to be encountered, in this program but I would suggest that we do our own thinking, and to a very great extent we get relief by helping ourselves. In my estimation this leading farm organiza-tion has done the proper thing by endorsing the farm board and pledging our sympathy and support in its behalf, and allow me to suggest that the back ground is such now that every loyal Farmers Union member should preach cooperation from the housetops and our organization should grow by leaps and bounds.

What About Taxes?

Folks everywhere and especially in Kansas are wondering just what the outcome will be. Governmental expenses have been constantly increasing which has necessarily brought higher taxes. Much has been said and many suggestions have been offered, but to date we have received very little or no relief.

The Tax Code Commission made possible by the last legislature, labored earnestly and dilligently with the problem and has submitted

its report. Our people should get in possession of this report and familiarize themselves with it. This committee suggests many changes which may or may not be adopted by the legislature. Gov. Frank O. Lowden recently stated in part that our county is operating under one of the most inadequate, and unjust tax systems of any country in the world and yet we take pride in being a leader in many fundamental movements of the day. Just a few suggestions. There are certain fundamental facts which most of us admit. One especially is that taxes are constantly increasing, and that the burden is unequally distributed. Another fact is, which the commission's report reveals, shows that those least able to pay are compelled to pay an unjust share of the taxes. The Commission's report also shows that double taxation prevails to an extent not usually realized by the taxpayer. Take for instance the tax as applied to school purposes. There is often as shown by the report a duplication many times our citizens may be compelled to pay three or four different kinds of high school tax, in addition to the tax levied to support its own common, district school.

We call attention to the double land tax where the owner holds title to the land, which is heavily mortgaged. Many cases show land mortgaged for more than it is worth at the present time. The owner's equity is very small which is the only property interest he

has in it and yet he pays taxes on the entire valuation.

Another inequality is in the method of assessments or listing of property for taxes. Large tracts or farms are usually listed at a figure much less in proportion than smaller tracts. In other words we have need for a uniform system of listing of property for taxes. The above applies also to the listing of personal property. I believe the basic fundamental principal in taxation should be that taxes should be raised in accordance with ability to pay, and that incomes should be taxed, thereby equalizing our tax and lowering the taxes on the farms and real estate of our country.

The above is only a hint and I suggest again that we familiarize ourselves with the commission's report and demand that our legislature do something and keep faith.

—C. A. Ward.

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES -:-

TFMPLIN LOCAL NO. 1891

Meeting was held December 6th.

from our neighbor locals.

Then followed the election of offi-

cers for the coming year. W. R. Zimmerman was elected president, G. Eisenhut, vice-president; Mrs. Otto Fink, secretary-treasurer; Frank Thoes, conductor; Otto Fink, doorkeeper. Mr. A. H. Simon, Mr. Ed Bock and Mr. L. H. Johnson were elected members of the executive committee. Mrs. G. H. Johnson will serve as reporter for the local for the year Richard Hawkins was then called next meeting.

than a convention of representatives read:
from the rank and file of real everyFirst: Whereas: The Farmers Nathe next regular local meeting which day farmers.
At the close he urged the members

ment of the Farmer's Union. The local gave Mr. Peterson a ations lend every effort to put them-hearty vote of thanks for his report. the annual report, showing a splendid balance on hand.

The refreshment committee served an ample lunch consisting of sand-wiches, bean salad, doughnuts and standing by the Farmer. We urge

The committee for the January meeting will have as leader, Mrs. W. A. Kietzman. Mrs. Walter Zimmerman,

STAFFORD COUNTY NOTES

Reporter.

The Stafford County Farmers Union held its regular annual meeting in St. John, Tuesday afternoon. The meeting was held in the community room at the court house. There were of the county were represented.

Mr. Hartnett, the county delegate to the State Farmers Union convention at Parsons, gave a very fine and interesting report of the meeting. There were seven members present from Stafford County at the meeting. Mr. Ward J. Spencer, who has been president of Stafford County Farmers Union for a number of years, came from Salina and gave a short talk on the personnel of the National Farm Board. He also urged more co-operation on the part of the farmers of the west and southwest part of the coun-

The annual election of officers was eld and the following elected: Presikeeper, Mr. Francis; business agent, Mrs. Claine O'Connor, and county cor-

espondent, Miss Gladys Waters. Stafford county has been holding a ooster trip to revive all locals but only several locals were visited so it was decided to continue after Christsome time in January to work up a membership drive. Meeting ad-

LIVINGSTON LOCAL NO. 1948

.Miss Gladys Waters K. R. Spencer Secretary Vice president... Assistant secretaryClyde Wells Conductor ... Doorkeeper ...H. E. Waters Executive Committee. .Mr Harrison, Beck and Sniter

Co-Op. Committee ______Mr. Carter and Mrs. Reynolds Mr. C. B. Wells gave an interesting eport of his trip to Parsons to the

tate convention. Report of delegates to county meeting was given by Kenneth Spencer, Mr. Porter, Mrs. Wells, and others. Livingston had eighteen members present at the county meeting. It was voted to have Mr. Teagarden the county agent, present at our next meeting, Friday the 20th, to help or-

Short talks for the good of the order were given by several of the members. Meeting adjourned.

UNION LOCAL MEETS

meeting Friday night, December 6. A fair sized crowd was present. Mr. Teagarden, the county agent, was taken in as a new member. At their meeting December 27, they are going to discuss the Farm Board.

Union's County Women's club met Friday, December 6 with Mrs. Chas.

Van Hoosiers.

The regular the President appointed the following committees: Dinner committee, Mrs. H. Mackey, Mrs. R. H. Mackey, Mrs. R. H. Mackey, Mrs. C. A. Ward, as presiding of made several well chosen spee bard. Resolutions: John Frost, R. H. Hawkins and Chas. Musil.

R. H. Mackey, Secretary.

PLEASANT HOME MEETING

The regular meeting in March, the exception of Mr. Williams the place of Mr. Graham.

Mr. C. A. Ward, as presiding of made several well chosen spee intervals during the afternoon.

There were only four of the county that were not repreded. Every one manifested a keep the county that were not repreded. Every one manifested a keep the county that were not repreded.

MARSHALL COUNTY
FARMERS' UNION MEETING school house December 2.

Meeting was held December 6th, Meeting opened by singing songs Nos. 56 and 6.

The annual meeting of the Marshall County Farmers Union was held one visitor, Miss Viola Goble of Coyle, in Beattie Tuesday, Dec. 3, with fifty-six delegates and over one hundred visiting members present. After partaking of a splendid dinner, the meeting of the Marshall County Farmers Union was held December 6th, Meeting opened by singing songs Nos. 56 and 6.

The annual meeting of the Marshall County Farmers Union was held one visitor, Miss Viola Goble of Coyle, Okla.

The program for the evening was roll call answered by a quotation from some farm paper. Naturally there were some forgetful members but the near future as we had not yet heard from our neighbor locals. the usual routine of business was fin-ished, Joe Chase, on the good of the The election of

At the close of the business meeting, Mr. Pete Peterson, our fine posed to equalize school teachers' salbooster, director and representative, aries. He gave a very good report gave us a condensed report of the state convention at Parsons. He spoke which interested all. Raymond Scholz Dec. 14. Business meeting and elecvery highly of our new Farmers Un- gave a report on the state convention tion of officers in the morning. Bring ion president, Mr. Ward.

He also said that the meeting was really more of a series of meetings committee presented the following in invites all farmers regardless if for managers and directors rather resolutions which were adopted as you are members or not.

tional Grain Corporation has now is January 6 and bring bowls, spoons, come into legal existance, we urge and milk. You may guess what the to loyally support the produce departelevators and grain shipping associ-Our local secretary-treasurer gave this co-operative grain marketing act. Second: We are vitally interested or the success of the Farmers Na-

tional Grain Corporation, realizing the that Farmers Union State Lecturers and County Lecturers give a full and true explanation of the articles of inorporation. Resolved: That we protest against

the great power trust being permitted to put their propaganda into the school text books and to employ uniand Representatives in Congress for their efforts to secure a tariff act stairs. that will be just to agriculture and at the same time fair to other interests. about 50 members present, all locals We realize that a tariff will not act automatically on the products of which we have a surplus. To secure no subsidy and will not increase production, but rather tend to discourage it, because when the Farmer is paid because his report was without a for his products under the equaliza- flaw. tion fee plan, he is reminded that his surplus brings only the world price

dent, Blaine O'Connor; vice-president, amendment is to be voted on at the Rhea Henry; sec.-treas., Louis Wehnext election, and the Supreme Court Almost every State Business As ring; conductor, Mr. Harrison; door- has declared the Intangible tax law ciation was represented by one or more unconstitutional, and a special ses- of its officers, who gave short talks, sion of the Legislature may be called, stating their business policies briefly we ask our County Lecturers to dis-suss carefully all tax propositions to

Mr. H.E. Witham told of the prothe end that a more equitable tax system may be secured.

Fifth: We ask our County Secremas. We also decided to try and have tary to send out to all our Locals, afta state officer present at St. John er each county meeting, a circular let-some time in January to work up a ter, to be read at the meetings of the Locals; this letter to give a report of the principle actions of the County

Sixth: Resolved to continue our membership drive to our next County meeting; that each local be asked to promote a local membership campaign committee consisting of the president and secretary of the local and others. That local membership contests be recommended, that the county organizer be requested to make as thorough a campaign in the county as possible for members and that the county union offer prizes of \$15, \$10, \$5, \$2, \$1 for the locals securing the most new members.

In the membership contest just closed we secured nearly a hundred new members with the west half winning. First prize goes to Cottage Hill; second Blue Valley; Third Lily Creek and Fourth Blanchville. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, A. J. Wempe; Vice President, Earl Miller; Secretary-Treasurer, Richard H. Mackey; Conductor, Wm. Fincham; Doorkeeper, George Scholz; Executive committee,
Conrad F. Crome, H. M. Travelute
and Clayton Otto. Lecturer, John
Frost; Assistant Lecturer; Walter
Cockerill; Raymond Scholz, Richard
H. Hawkins and H. A. Watters.

Quite profiles in the profile of the profile

Home local, Linn Co., was held at the Regardless of the severe cold wea-

The election of officers for the enorder, gave a splendid talk. D. O. suing year was in order and much to Wanamaker of Blue Rapids, next gave the surprise of the old officers_they an interesting talk on the Federal Farm Board and its prospects for the betterment of the farmers.

were all reelected as follows: Pres., Mrs. V. F. Carrico; vice-president, Mrs. H. C. Conrad, secretary-treasurer betterment of the farmers.

Alvah Stryker, secretary of the Farmers' Union Livestock Association Company was present and gave a Hoyt. The different committees will be appointed by the president at the be appointed by the president at the

on to report on the equalization of Refreshments of cake and coffee were served, and the "special treat" was very much enjoyed by all. Don't forget the quarterly county meeting

Mrs, H. C. Conrad, Local Reporter.

DOUGLAS COUNTY MEETING

The last Quarterly meeting of the Douglas County Farmers Union was held at Lone Stor Saturday, December 14th. The meeting was well attended, many said it was the largest counay meeting they have ever had. A linner was served at noon by the ladies of Lone Star local. These ladies deserve an abundance of praise because they certainly know what people like to eat, and they believe in serving plenty. After the dinner the meeting was called at the hall. The hall resity teachers to lecture for them. ing was called at the hall. The hall Third: We commend our Senators was crowded, people were sitting in the cloak room, and standing on the

Mr. C. A. Ward who has been the County President for some time, pre-

sided. Mr. E. H. Illian, the County Secretary, after disposing of the routine action in such cases we prefer the so-called equalization fee plan. It carries of the Parsons State Convention. No one could accuse Mr. Illian of not tending to business while at Parsons.

surplus brings only the world price one by a ladies quartet, who sang "The and not the protected price. But as Bells of St. Marys" a heautiful song the equalization fee plan has no well rendered. The other was a comchance of adoption at present, we urge plete knock-out, three children sang our Senators and Representatives to push the debenture plan to the limit. "Down Home in Temessee" that was Fourth: Inasmuch as the State Tax clever. The words were just as com-Code Commission has just made its ical as could be, and to think that

Almost every State Business Asso-

gress made in the Federation of elevators and of the New Term al Elevator to be erected at Salina in time to take care of the next years

Mr. Geo. Hobbs gave a short account of the Business of the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Co., ince he took over the management. Mr. Seamans spoke on the produce situation, their new financing pro-gram, and gave his idea of the reason that the price of butter fat remained so low. This can be worked out to our satisfaction, but not without the united efforts of every one working

together. Mr. C. S. Neeley spoke briefly of his work, and the satisfaction of working with the type of men that are in the Farmers Union institutions.

Mr. Chas. Broom gave in his pleasing and frank manner ,the story of the Farmers Union Insurance Companies explaining the New Automobile insurance that they have recently taken in connection with their other insurance. Mr. Broom also explained the Farmers Union Royalty Co. After which he introduced the girls from the State Office.

Mr. Jas. W. Anderson had been quite promiscous in his invitations,

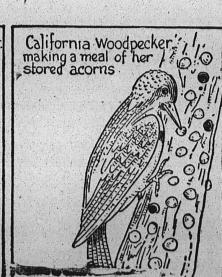
President, Mr. Asa Coleman Vice President, Mr. E. H. Illian Secretary, UNION LOCAL MEETS

As our next meeting will be in Frankfort the first Tuesday in March, and the same board of directors with the President appointed the following the exception of Mr. Williams takes the exception of Mr. Williams takes

Mr. C. A. Ward, as presiding officer, made several well chosen speech at There were only four of the locals of the county that were not represented. Every one manifested a keen interest in all proceedings.

DAD AND I

Over there is a California woodpecker There are far more of this species than of any other found on the Pacific coast. These birds nest in all kinds of trees and at any distance from the ground. laying from three to seven eggs. They have a habit of storing food for future use and will sometimes honey—comb the exterior surface. of decayed trees with holes to hold acorns:









-:- Ladies Auxiliary -:-

NOTICE

ALL LADIES AUXILIARY DUES SHOULD BE SENT DIRECT TO THE STATE SECRETARY, MRS. CHAS. NEELEY, TOPEKA, KANS., 1829 KANSAS AVENUE.
THE AUXILIARY DUES ARE \$1
—YOU KEEP 30c IN YOUR LOCAL SEND 70c TO THE STATE SECRETARY. THEN 20c OF THIS IS

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Margary Jean Kresie MORLAND

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Ethlyn Grove PARSONS

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Celestine Rohleder
Celestine Reidel
Albert Richmeier
Norina Rome
Anna Rome
McPH

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Lorene Williams
Margaret Zimmerman
Louise Zimmerman
COLONY Julia Powell
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CONWAY Wayne Selbert Lela Selbert COLLYER Lorine Bollig Albina Richmeler

Albina Richard
Angelita Bollig
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Fern Rogers
Marjorie Alice Rogers
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Lucille Wilson HARPE

Arline Robinson LAWRENCE

Helen Centlivre
Pete Centlivre
Keith Centlivre
MADISON

Georgia Grace Coffman

MONT IDA

Della Bond

Elsie M. Long MICHIGAN VALLEY Floyd Lee Wilbur Lee MAPLE HILL Rufus Miller
Jean Miller
MoFARLAND
Evelyn Mathis
MORLAND Helen Rome
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Helen Ridimeier
NORTON Ivah Jones Zenith Fowler OTTAWA Mildred Nelson
Dixle Lee Zerbe
OSAWATOMIE
Richard Schiefelbusch
Max Schiefelbusch
Nadine Prescott
OGALLAH Mildred Rogers
Naomi Jean Rogers
Hellen Hillman Hellen Rogers OAKLEY Esther Sims Clifford Sim OVERBROOK Duane Brecheisen Elgitha Hoffman PERRY Eldha Beuerman PLEASANTON Isabel Johnson PENOKEE Julia Richmemier Mathilda Reidel QUINTER Melvin Inloes
Cecil Phelps
Mildred Francy
RUSH CENTER Helen Bartz
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Hilda Helen Fabrizius
Helwig Fabrizius
WESTPHALIA Ned Corley WAMEGO
Esther Mathles
Adeline Miller
WHITE CITY Lorena Tatlow WINDOM Autumn Andes WELLS

HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THIS DEPARTMENT. Any child between the ages of six and sixteen whose father is a member in good standing the Farmers' Union. who writes a letter for publication can be a member of department, and is entitled to a pin. In order to receive a book, the caild must signify his intentions to study the lessons, and send them in. W. cannot send out books to those who do not intend to send in their lessons.

The address to which all Juniors should send their letters is: AUNT PATIENCE, In care of the KANSAS UNION FARMER. Salina. Kansas.

JUNIOR COOPERATORS

Dear Juniors:

Have you all gone back on me? I
do not have a single Christmas letter.
Well I am going to make your excuses for you. If you are as busy as I am, I am sure it would be hard for you to find time to write, unless it was absolutely necessary.

I have been a

sible in everything that you under-take, that will be for your good and

Elizabeth White WATERVILLE Glen Travelute

happiness. Yours sincerely, AUNT PATIENCE.

tor for another year.

Read Mrs. Campbell's letter carebetter." Also "Bigger and bigger." Read Mrs. Campbell's letter carefully, and note what she says about getting your lessons in. Better not neglect it. I will just remind the old members and tell the new ones. There is an extra present for those who try, on the lessons, and I am sure Mrs. Campbell is going to be quite liberal, with these grades and presents. But Ladies Auxiliary, but there has been Campbell is going to be quite liberal, with these grades and presents. But of course, you will have to do your part, to the extent of sending in all the lessons that you can, in your very best manner.

I made a trip since I write you, and had the pleasure of seeing two more of our Juniors. Lorene Williams and Della Bond. My, but they are nice girls. They both promised to get some others to write letters. I believe they will organize a Junior local down there.

Interior and growning work they bear and the Junior Folks, no fault found with the Junior Folks, and yet the Junior group really grew out of the efforts of the Ladies Auxiliary. Someway there just isn't any sleigh, or caught him by the chimney on the roof—

But where's the one who dares to say We have no proof.

That all the magic things old Santa brings.

Do what your hands find to do today, Juniors, and the morrow will take care of itself, providing that you do the thing well.

any one who joins from now on will be graded according to the lessons that come after this.

This is the last letter you will get before Christmas, so I will take this opportunity to wish you all a merry of Christmas and a very Happy New Year, and hope for you from the bottom of my heart all the success pos
An older heart until it sings—

The world was never quite so wide to the changing conditions at home.

The world was never quite so wide for happiness, never so deep the tide doing well whatever we attempt.

I wish that I might see each of you and say "Merry Christmas" but since for happiness, never so deep the tide doing well whatever we attempt.

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I wish that I might see each of you friendly feeling and good will, on earnest the desire for peace for one of a family of 12, and her father never had more than 16s. (four dollars), a week, and yet managed to bring up and educate his children on that meagre wage. Her mother and the world was never quite so wide for happiness, never so deep the tide doing well was never quite so wide.

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6322. Girls' Dress with Bloom-,

Cut in 3 Sizes: 2, 4 and 6 years. A 4 year size requires 2½ yards of 36 inch material. 1½ yard of binding or banding is required for the finish as illustrated. Price 15c. lustrated. Price 15c.

6684. Ladies' Two Piece Suit. Cut in 6 Sizes: 34, 36, 38, 40, 42 and 44 inches bust measure. A 38 inch size requires 4¼ yards of 39 inch material. For the belt of contrasting material 1/4 yard is required 39 inches wide and cut crosswise. The width of the Skirt at the lower edge with plait fulness extended is 2½ yards. The belt may be of

leather.
To line the Jacket will require 21/2 yards of 35 inch material. interline collar, facing, and cuffs with canvas or coarse linen requires % yard 32 inches wide put lengthwise. Price 15c.

FASHION BOOK NOTICE Send 12c in silver or stamps for our UP-TO-DATE FALL and WINTER 1929-1930 BOOK OF FASHIONS, showing color plates, and containing 500 designs of Ladies', Misses' and Children's Patterns, a CONCISE AND COMPREHENSIVE ARTISLE IN DRESSMAKING, ALSO SOME POINTS FOR THE NEEDLE (Illustrating 30 of the various, simple stitches) al valuable hints to the home

but should you break them, do not be overly discouraged, but hitch your belt a little tighter and decide to try again and try just a little harder.

If old Santa fails to bring you the things you were expecting, take what he brings and be glad, knowing that the one whose birthday we are celebrating had no place to lay his head, while you have your snug warm beds and a good howse father and decide to try dividends, and when I asked her what they were, she said, "Oh, they whereby some of the hired men they are going on in of the county whereby some of the hired men they are grand things, the dividends, it is just found money—we could nae do without them. My mother furnished the home and bought the county down with the county father and taking checks in their "dividends," and when I asked her what they were, she said, "Oh, they are going on in of the county have been selling county it is just found money—we could nae do without them. My mother furnished the home and bought the cottage and their "dividends," and when I asked her what they were, she said, "Oh, the county whereby some of the hired men their "dividends," and when I asked her what they were, she said, "Oh, the county opposed to some of the hired men their "dividends," and when I asked her what they were, she said, "Oh, the county some of the hired men their "dividends," and when I asked her what they are going on in of the county where selling county they are going on in of the county where selling county is a good which a selling county their "divid and a good home, where father and mother love and protect you. Remember also that he came as a little babe, grew up much as you will, had his desires and discoolintments much as you have and in the end gave his life to make the world better, and that he said it is more blessed to give than to receive, and the real Christmas spirit is to try to make some one else happy, some one who is really in need of gifts or kinds words are really the ones we should seek out on this Christmas day, for He said, . And whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold water only, verily I say unto you, he shall in no wise lose his reward."

No one ever gave so abundantly as He. No one ever revealed so surely the largness that comes from giving. May each of you this Christmas time see the bright star of hope that hung over the manger where the greatest gift of all time was given to the world 1929 years ago this Christ-

Sincerely, Mary Campbell.

SLOGAN FOR THE JUNIORS

Conscience

No man loses anything by being true and steadfast to his convictions.

He may not be popular, but what does that amount to? Conscience is, or just because we must.

Juniors over the sixth grade tell what is meant in the last line of the Santa Claus noom.

ought to be, dearer than human favor or applause.

A PARABLE FOR YOU

"I notice," said the stream to the mill, "that you grind beans as well and as cheerfully as fine wheat."

"Certainly," clacked the mill; "what am I here for but to grind? And as long as I work, what does it signify to me what the work is? My business is to serve my master, and I

By Peter A. Lea

When Christmas Eve Draws near, it does seem queer That there are some who don't believe In Santa Claus!
Children and grown-ups too,
For age has nothing much to do with

down there.

Send in this lesson, I expect this will be the last lesson of the year, so any one who joins from now on will arm one who joins from now on will arm to the lessons of the lessons of the year, so any one who joins from now on will lating to doing well whatever we attempt.

Aren't there splendid toys for girling and boys, and boys, And many an unexpected gift to lift.

An older heart until it sings—

The world was never quite so wide.

The world was never quite so wide.

KANSAS UNION FARMER WEEKLY EXCHANGE If members of the Union have anything to Sell or Exchange, they should advertise it in this department. Rate: 3 cents a word per issue. 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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LOOK! Five pounds golden yellow smoking tobacco. \$1.00. Chewing, \$1.50. CLARK'S RIVER PLANTATION, 55, Hazel, Kentucky,

IN MEMORY OF SUSIE RUTH NEILL
Whereas, our Heavenly Faher in His
infinite wisdom has called from our midst
our esteemed Sister, Susie Ruth, daughter
of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Neill.
Therefore, be it resolved, that the members of Livingston Local No. 1984 have
lost a faithful member and the family a
good daughter and sister.
Be it further resolved, that a copy of
these resolutions be sent to the bereaved
family, a copy to The St. John News, The
County Capital, The Macksville Enterprize, Kansas Union Farmer and a copy
spread upon the minutes of our local.
MRS. C. B. WELLS
MRS. J. H. SUITER
MISS GLADYS WATERS

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY
Whereas, It has pleased the Allwise
Creator to remove from our midst our
brother, John Linn of Local No. 1660,
Riley County, one who was ever a loving
husband and father, a kind neighbor and
a loyal member of our order.
Be it therefore Resolved, that we extend the sympathy of the members of the
Riley County Farmers Union to the bereft
family.

family.

Be it Further Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy be sent to the official paper and a copy be spread on the minutes of this meeting. JOHN FOY FLOYD CONDRAY P. W. BLAUER, Committee

RESOLUTIONS We wish to express our appreciation to our National President, C. E. Huff, for the efficient work he has done in formulating the rules and regulations of the Grain Marketing Corporation.

We resent the insinuations thrown at our Western Senators and Representatives by some of the Eastern Senators who represent big business, and commend our Western Senators who have the courage to stand for equal rights for agriculture We believe that we as farmers and producers should patronize the open markets in selling our livestock and have our own live stock association at Kansas City sell

in boarders to fill their place. She feeds them well and has quite a name, for she says: "The mair they eat, the for she says: "The mair they eat, the mair dividends I get!" and the cottage was built out of the dividends she gets from hereby extend to the bereaved family our hereby extend to the bereaved family, a copy to the Kansas Union Farmer and a copy be spread upon the minutes of our local.

RUTH BARTON

DEVIA FING

RUTH BARTON DELLA KING ALTA EMERY

Of great ambitions—never so many lovely things
For young and old rememberings— And all because There is a Santa Claus!

QUESTIONS

lesson.
What is a parable? Explain the meaning of this parable.
Should we want to do the thing we find nearlike to do, or the thing we find near-est at hand. How should we always est at nand. How should we always try to do the work we do, Cheerfully, or just because we must.

Juniors over the sixth grade tell

My page in Farmers Union 1 read the Farmers Union 1 read that many boys and girls wrote for a book and pin and hope to get the book and pin too.

Well I am going to make your excuses for you. If you are as busy as I am, I am sure it would be hard for you to find time to write, unless it was absolutely necessary.

You will find your lesson this week. It is a nice lesson, and right here I am telling you that Mrs. Campbell has given her consent to be your instructor for another year.

Part Mrs. Campbell's letters are as a letter of another year.

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Get your lessons in, Juniors, as the grading committee will try to finish the grading so that the grade can be announced some time in January. You must not get impatient must not get impatient as there are a lot of lessons to grade, but we will do our best to grade them by that

"DIVIDENDS." (This story, which we print anony-(This story, which we print anonymously by request, was sent to Fieldman-D. W. Richmond, with this comment: "I myself have a great admiration for that shrewd old Scotch mother and what she was able to do with her dividends. What a lesson for the

her dividends. What a lesson for the rising generation!")

I learned my first lesson in cooperation from a young Scotch girl, who had just come out from Scotland and was looking for work some years ago. I am Scotch myself, so we had many things to speak of and comments to make of the changing conditions at home.

FARMERS' UNION DIRECTORY

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FOR SALE: Two registered Guernsey bulls, seven months and one year old. From high producing ancestors. Sires dam has record of 888 lbs. butterfat. Roy Flory, Lone Star Kans.

FOR SALE

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Room 202 Farmers Union Bidg.
Salina, Kansas

Farmers' Union Auditing Association Room 201 Farmers Union Bldg. Thomas B. Dunn, Salina Kansas Union Farmer Room 205 Farmers Union Bldg. Salina, Kansas.

the older children got work in the turnip fields, and with a pig, and now and then a braxy sheep and their garden, they managed to live.

When the two elder boys were big enough, they found work in the shale works, not far off, and after some years persuaded their old father to give up the hard hill work and move

store in the village for the first time; all her buying before then having been

We believe that the members should be more loyal to the different business institutions of our order.

GUST LARSON, Sec'y.

GUST LARSON, Sec'y. children left for situations she took in boarders to fill their place. She

ter? My girl explained that on joining the co-operative store, you buy a share, which can be paid up, out of dividends. After you are a paid-up shareholder, you get a rebate on all you buy, at the end of each month, which constitutes the "dividend."

Co-operative stores are so well known in Scotland that it is strange that we out here are so slow to learn

the benefit of them. The pride my girl had in their co-Memorize the Slogan, Conscience. Write it out in your answers to the was in the business herself, and I believe she dreamed in her self, and I believe she dreamed in her self. the dreams of her wonderful dividends."

Bison, Kans., Dec. 12, 1929. Dear Aunt Patience:
While I read the Farmers Union I

My papa is a Farmers Union member. I am eleven years old and in the sixth grade. I will close. Your friend, Josepha Stremel.

Route No. 2, Box 38.

Bison, Kans., Dec. 12, 1929. Dear Aunt Patience: Last night I read the Farmers Un-Last night I read the Farmers Union and I saw that you want to send book and pin free so I made up my mind I would write for it. I have seven sisters and five brothers. My oldest brother is a priest, the rest are home. My oldest sister is married, I am 13 years old and am in the seventh grade. I enjoy school well. I enth grade. I enjoy school well. I hope my friends enjoy it too. I go to the St. Mary's of Help School. My teacher's name is Sister Evelyn.

Well it is getting late. I will close.

Your friend,

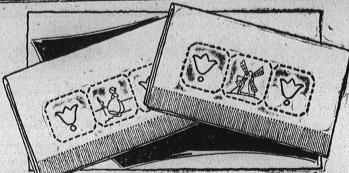
Dominic A. Stremel, Route 2, Box 38.

Hays, Kans., Dec. 9, 1929. Dear Aunt Patience: I received my pin and book some time ago. I am sure 'pleased with

I should have written sooner but I have so much writing to do that I can't hardly get around to answering letters or anything. Well, I must close. Your niece, Germaine Meier.

LETS OPEN A GARAGE He owned a handsome touring car, To ride in it was heaven, He ran across some broken glass— Bill \$14.97.

He took some friends out for a ride— 'Twas good to be alive, The carbureter threw a fit—



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Number 108 is 6 similar designs, all different, stamped on excellent quality towels that are suitable for either hand on the towels set of 6 of \$1.50 hand or tea towels, set of 6 at \$1.50. Thread is included.

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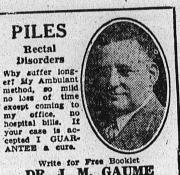
To took his wife downtown to shop, To save carfare was great; He jammed into one lamp-post-

Ie spent about all that he had, And then in anguish cried: 'I'll put a mortgage on the house And take just one more ride."
(Alamo Lines)

The clay spots or gauls lose their moisture early in dry weather. Stop

NOTICE TO LOCAL SECRETARIES

Do not forget that the duest next year will be \$2.75. \$1.95 of this amount is to be sent the State Secretary.



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> MEN OR WOMEN WANTED

We want one Farmers Union member at each town to represent us. Write today to Rex Lear, State Manager

Farmers Union Mutual Life Insurance Co., Salina, Kans.

FARM AID

is getting lots of attention from lawmakers. Farm aid has had the attention of Kansas farmers for a long time. Farmers have known for many years what the lawmakers are just finding out—that cooperative marketing, coupled with hard work and strict attention to business, offers the only practical farm relief.

This cooperative live stock marketing firm has been cooperating with Kansas Farmers for several years, and has paid back thousands of dollars in patronage dividends. Cooperation that pays actual dividends is the kind you want. Line up with your neighbors and cooperate through YOUR OWN FIRM.

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Co-Operation Pays

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KANSAS

HONOR ROLL -:-

Below is the honor roll up to date. member paid up for the year. We have 75 counties in the state that There are 208 locals that have every	WABAUNSEE COUNTY Chalk1580 Cottonwood1604
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You can see by looking over the list the counties that have the greatest number.	Sunny Stope 1864 Lone Cedar 1867 Templin 1891 Turkey Creek 1868 Freemont 2114
There are a few that would not need to work very hard to get all their mem-	Freemont2114 WASHINGTON COUNTY
to work very hard to get all their mem- bers paid. The honor roll is made up of locals	Logan
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24TH ANNUAL CONVENTION KANSAS DIVISION FARMERS EDUCATION AND ON FARMERS EDUCATION AND CO-OPERATIVE UNION OF AMERICA (Continued from page one) (Continued from page one) ignore. I had to been well expressed. I am proud of mastered to the satisfaction of your

and have a good talk.

Alva Stryker, Secretary of the Board of Directors. I want to leave with you one remark. A gentleman just spoke of the insurance company and after he was finished he was rebuked for not saying it was the best. You and I have the best commission firm in the Kansas City terminal market and I want my remark to apply to the Wichita branch also. We have a manager there who is capable and they will take care of the business as good or better than any other firm in the yards will for you. Some of his overhead will be just so much regardless of how much in the same outside of your institution in Kansas City is working for you from just so much regardless of how much business he has. The more business will increase the profits. He can have more business and still not increase his overhead. Furnish him more business and he will increase the amount

Wm. Lyons, Vice-President of the Board of Directors. I have hardly been on the board long enough yet to know what it is all about. We manage the local shipping associations and send in the business to our house. You are aware as well as I am that it is a good institution. Our people are extremely well satisfied and we expect to ship and patronize our firm. The only thing I would say is appeal to you people to go back home and establish shipping associations if you do not have them. Say something to the disloyal fellow about sending his stock to our own firm.

J. B. George, member of Board of Directors. I think the sentiment has

because of inexperience. I had to been well expressed. I am proud of assume the responsibility and carry on and I was helped to do this by one Rob Lieurance, cattles salesman at and I was helped to do this by one of the greatest and most stalwart and honest workers I have ever met, Mr. Brasted. What associations we had have been very pleasant. I am sorry he is not here today, as that is one of the reasons I came over, to meet him and have a good talk.

Bob Lieurance, cattles salesman at Kansas City. There is not much left for me to say. Through your efforts you have builded two mighty big commission firms. Not only commission firms but jobbing associations and creamery also. Only about 5% or and distribution of products have presented perplexities. On the procure-sented perplexities.

George Hobbs. Your institution in Kansas City is working for you from the top to the bottom. We are putting out a little paper called "The Co-operator." Anyone who is not getting that paper and wants it, if they will give me their name I will see that it is placed on the mailing list. I want to thank you for the business has made a fair showing this far this year and indications are good for still further improvement from the three remaining months' operations and the liquidation of storage stocks.

Not only do both the butter and egg departments show a fair profit on operations for the first nine-months' period of the current year but the fi-

increase per capita consumption of

both dairy and poultry products and the favorable condition for the pro-

(Continued next week)

Neighborhood Notes

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This will be an all day meeting-

LLEN COUNTY

for the year of 1929.

afternoon, we will consider something line the production of dairy and poultry less. They preferred to continue with the program as outlined.

I can think of nothing that has aid-put on in this county. else. They preferred to continue with the program as outlined.

Mr. Seamans, manager of the Produce Association, requested that the members of the Board of Directors, R. D. Samuelson, Dave Thomas, H. B. Whitaker, T. M. Turman, P. D. Sam-Whitaker, T. M. Turman, P. D. Sam-Whitaker, T. M. Turman, P. D. Schiefelbusch, O. W. Schell of the Plant, D. G. Francis, working in the field, N. A. Ormsby of the Egg Department and E. Augustine of the Butter Department came to the platform, and speak of the With the rapid gain in population in the U.S. in addition to the constant to the platform, and speak of the work they are doing in the Creamery and Produce activities. For the first

Department has shown a nice net profit and now is on a fine sound basduction of these products, it would seem that Kansas is destined to a larger place in both the dairy and The report of the Audit was read by Mr. Creitz of the Auditing Dept. poultry industries. These facts tend Mr. Seamans. It is the loyalty of you people who have helped to make this fine showing possible. Another group who helped to bring that about was the force in the plant and I was t tion—of these products are shipped to points outside of Kansas for marwas the force in the plant and I want you to hear briefly from them at this ket preparation thus assisting in the time. I wish as manager of the Plant development of out-of-state enter-prises and with the result that Kan-sas producers fail to get proper recog-

time, since the organization, the Egg

to report at this time: Mr. Chairman, Delegates and

To be privileged to attend my eleventh annual Kansas Farmers Union state convention is indeed a pleasure and I am especially glad of the opportunity to appear at this time and bring a short message from the youngest of the Kansas Farmers Union attravide activities, the Farmers ion statewide activities—the Farmers Union Produce and Creamery Association which but a few days ago cele-

brated its fourth birthday. On September 21, 1925, the turn-On September 21, 1925, the turning of a steam valve and the opening of an electric switch set into motion machinery that was destined to turn out profits or losses and to be an asset or a liability to the farmers of Kansas. At the close of this four-year period, I believe all will agree that this machinery has been an asset from the time the first wheel started in motion.

On September 21, 1925, the turning deficiency, basket dinner, basket dinner, program and speaking. This meeting will be held at Allen Center school house south and west of LaHarpe. Let us make this an interesting meeting by all being present.

Mr. A. M. Kinney, State Secretary, will be \$2.75. \$1.95 of this amount is to be sent the State Secretary.

started in motion. From a very humble beginning with less than eight thousand dollars paid up Capital stock and a small volume of business, this enterprise has grown to a place where it is now classed among the largest centralized-type creamery and egg packing plants in the middle west. The following figures taken from the records of the Association will more clearly picture. Association will more clearly picture the importance of this department of the farmers Union. Butter manufactured,

In addition to these cash returns, we cannot help but feel that the very existence of the organization, if nothing mere, has had some part in bringing about the condition wherein not only members and patrons of this organization but the dairy producers throughout Kansas are getting an in-tangible dividend in the form of high-er prices for their butterfat on delivery than they received formerly.

The fact that the prevailing butter-

fat price to producers is at least three cents higher in relationship to the Chicago butter market than it was in 1926 is substantiated by the following comparison of figures taken from the records of the Association and the official daily market bulletins:

ficial daily market bulletins:

Average price paid producers for butterfat: 1926, 35.7; 1927, 39.1; 1928 41.9; 1929 (Jan. 1 to Sept. 30) 41.4.

Average Chicago standards butter market: 1926, 41.6; 1927,42.2; 1928, 45.4; 1929 (Jan. 1 to Sept. 30) 44.2.

Differential: 1926, 5.9; 1927, 5.1; 1928, 5.5; 1929, 75.1; 1928, 5.5; 1927, 5.1; 1928, 5.5; 1927, 5.1; 1928, 5.5; 1927, 5.1; 1928, 5.5; 1929, 75.1; 1928, 75.1; 1928

3.5; 1929 (Jan. 1 to Sept. 1) 2.8.

The story of the life of this organization during its four-year period of existence has not been materially different than the history of other cooperatives which since their inception have always been confronted with opposition and had perplexing problems in multiplying numbers to deal

To relate in detail these problems would be but a repetition and thus not necessary. Suffice it to say that through the loyalty of producers, boards of directors and managers of both local and state-wide associations wide gaps have been bridged that might easily today hold the ruins of an ill fated organization had it not

servants. Neither have they been dealt with in ways that always rend-

maybe less and that as co-operators sented perplexities. On the procure-you have builded on the 7 largest mar-kets of the world seven firms that buying method; the purchase of eggs

Mr. Kinney has written me that he will try to send Mr. "Jimmie" O'Shea (out national secretary) to Allen county for a meeting. This will probably be sometime in January. I wish that every farmer in the state would make an effort to hear Mr. O'Shea. C. A. HOUK, Co. Sec'y.

Private Grain Dealers

(Continued from page 2) side market by holding our prices above the world parity. Sees Disaster in End

"It threatens to destroy all the exist ing agencies and markets and while it is possible that with the unlimited amounts of money which are available to the Farm Board that they may be able to keep values above a world parity for a short period of time, I do not see how there can be anything but disaster in the end. "I am utterly astounded that our

administration should permit so unsound a system to be fastened upon this country. It means (as the announced purpose of the Farm Board as stated by various members) that all farmers shall be forced into cooperative concerns, which could only mean pools and monopoly, as described in these various speeches. Mon-ALLEN COUNTY

DECEMBER 21

All members are requested to be present at the last quarterly meeting for the year of 1929.

ALLEN COUNTY

DECEMBER 21

opoly always means waste and inefficiency and I cannot too strongly condemn these policies and to warn our farmers and business men of what the inevitable results will be if these policies are continued."-Farmers Union

each year.

What would Mississippi say if she were to lose one year's total cotton crop? Erosion takes the equivalent knows of soil erosion problems and

Carry On-

"-our years and two months ago our members brought into this State a new organization, conceived in Cooperation and dedicated to the service of all Kansas Farmers."

That it is a success is an assured fact. That it can be a still greater success is equally assured if all cream and egg producers in the State will lend their support.

Are you doing your bit toward making "Cooperation of the farmers, by the farmers and for the farmers" a success?

Farmers Union Co-Operative Creamery Association KANSAS CITY, MO.

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Application cards 20 for 5c Credential blanks 10 for 5e Dimit blanks 15 for 10c Constitutions Local Sec'y's Receipt Books 25c Secretary's Minute Books50c Farmers Union Buttons25c

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Cash Must Accompany Order. This is Necessary to Save Expens in Postage and Labor. WRITE A. M. Kinney, Box 51, Sa ina, Kansas.

GREETINGS

WE WISH

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AND THEIR CUSTOMERS

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AND A

HAPPY NEW YEAT

WE WISH * * * * * *

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* * * * * YOU HAVE EVER HAD

* * * * * BUT AS WE ARE ONLY

* * * * * HUMBLE MANUFACTURERS OF

HOG, POULTRY, CATTLE AND DAIRY FEEDS

WE CAN ONLY ADVISE

SO WE SAY

* * * * * FOR GREATER PROSPERITY

* * * * * IN 1930

* * * * * SELL OR FEED-



