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THE MANAGERS MEET IN KANSAS CITY

The Managers Association Annual Meeting Was Held in Kansas City May 26-27. The Minutes Include Many Worth While Resolutions. Many Clever Toasts Given by the Toast-Master A. M. Kinney at the Banquet Wednesday Night. Comments By Some Who Were Ther

The annual meeting of the Farmers Union Managers' Association was called to order at 10 a. m. on Wednesday, May 26, by President A. M. Kinney.

Minutes of the last annual meeting together with financial report, was read by the Secretary. Motion was made by David Thomas that these minutes and report be adopted. Seconded by Clarence Barrett. Carried.

The following committees were appointed by Chairman Kinney:

Resolution Committee:

David Thomas, Burns, Kans., chairman; R. T. Scholfield, WaKeeney; R. F. Anderson, Phillipsburg.

Twine Committee:

(To test and compare Farmers Union Twine with other Trust Twines.)

R. O. Dyer, Pomona, Kansas, chairman; R. E. Jacobs, Lenora; George Peet, Madison; Mr. Hidecker, Paola; Floyd Johnson, Neutral; George Franks, Paola.

Membership Committee:

Jack Stevens, chairman, Kansas City, Kans.; C. B. Thowe, Alma; Ralph Chapman, Paola.

Motion was made by Mr. Scholfield to adjourn to the Creamery until the afternoon session.

The meeting re-convened at 2 p. m., at which time a talk was given by John Tromble on farm legislation, his experiences in Washington with Congress and the history of farm relief bills in legislation up to this time.

There was a talk by R. F. Anderson of Phillipsburg on store problems. (Mr. Anderson, as usual, had many things of interest to depart to his fellow managers.)

There was a round table discussion on store problems, Mr. David Thomas of Burns, acting as chairman. The following managers gave ten-minute talks along this line:

Harold Westgate, Manhattan; C. B. Thowe, Alma; David Thomas, Burns; R. G. Ingle, Michigan Valley; George Peet, Madison; Ralph Chapman, Paola; C. B. Cable, Cedarvale; R. O. Dyer, Pomona.

Motion was made by R. F. Anderson and seconded by Mr. Peet to adjourn to the banquet room where an enjoyable hour was spent. Mr. Kinney acting as toastmaster. A vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Kinney by those attending the banquet for his effort in furnishing splendid entertainment during the banquet hour.

Meeting adjourned to the general hall in the Coates House, where Mr. R. O. Worline, attorney for the Farmers Union Jobbing Association and the Farmers Union Co-operative Produce Association, gave a very interesting talk regarding co-operative problems.

Mr. C. E. Brasted gave an interesting talk, after which Mr. Schraub of the Keystone Steel and Wire Company talked on wire making and the steel industry in general.

Two songs were then sung by Ralph Chapman of Paola.

Mr. Tromble talked on results the Farmers Union could obtain in buying their commodities, especially salt, in which the Jobbing Association at this time is unable to job with any profit.

Mr. Alkire, manager of the Farmers Union Live Stock Commisison Company of Wichita, gave a talk on how the Farm Clubs of Missouri had obtained salt, and the possibility of the Farmers Union working their commodities under their own brand.

There was a talk by Mr. Lyons on feed and produce problems. He also gave us an idea of the fight going on at Lyndon in reference to their bank.

The meeting adjourned to meet again on Thursday morning at 9:30.

Thursday, May 27

The Thursday meeting was called at 9:30 a. m., Mr. Downie, manager of the Kansas Co-operative Wheat Marketing Association of Wichita, talked on the pool and the close relationship between the Farmers Union managers and the pool.

Mr. D eVoss gave a report on the activities of the Jobbing Association, going into detail on each commodity, outlining the steps in the development of the Association and representing its Board of Directors. Mr. De Voss solicited the counsel of the Managerial Association through such committees as they saw fit to appoint and through the Board of Directors of the Managerial Association, meeting whenever they saw fit with the Jobbing Board with them in the handling of the affairs of the Jobbing Association.

Mr. C. E. Huff of Oronoque gave an interesting talk on the Farmers Union and its future possibilities for progress.

The Harmony Hounds sang two songs.

Mr. J. C. Felts talked on elevators and elevator contract possibilities.

Mr. T. B. Dunn, manager of the Farmers Union Auditing Association, gave a general talk on the progress of the Auditing Association, the development of the bonding business and information regarding the income tax, especially the new 1926 income tax regulations affecting co-operative associations.

The round table discussion for elevators followed, with R. T. Scholfield, chairman. Ten-minute talks were made by—

Mr. W. E. Mettlen, Eudora, Kansas.
Mr. R. T. Scholfield, WaKeeney.
Mr. C. M. Yocum, St. Marys.
Mr. Alfred Hotten, Junction City.
Clarence Barrett, Lone Elm, Kansas
Mr. R. E. Jacobs of Lenora, talked of the posibility of the Farmers Union Elevators in the State signing contracts to turn all their grain to the Jobbing Association, and the advantage they would reap therein.

Motion was made by Mr. Jacobs and seconded by Mr. Scholfield that the Associations favoring the contract with the Jobbing Association when it could be worked out, take such steps as necessary to formulate an agreement along this line. Carried.

Mr. Watson of Ellis moved that a committee be appointed to work out a plan of agreement with the Jobbing Association. Seconded by Mr. Anderson. Carried. This committee consisted of R. T. Scholfield, Mr. Harold Westgate and Mr. R. E. Jacobs.

Mr. E. C. Trull, president of the Farmers Union State Bank, then talked on the banking situation at Lyndon and on banking problems and the future possibilities along this line.

Mr. Tromble talked on financial possibilities, stating that the Farmers Union must have control of their own finances the only way being to organize and operate their own banks. Mr. Tromble spoke of the danger of the chain stores and other big industries getting into the co-operative game, stating that the farmers, to protect themselves, must perfect their own organization and offset the organizations built up by big capitalists.

Motion was made to adjourn by Mr. Thowe. Seconded by Mr. Scholfield. Carried.

The meeting re-convened at 7:30 p. m., at which time John Vesecky of Timken talked on pooling and Unionism. Mr. Vesecky gave his opinion of how the plan of agreement between the elevator and the Jobbing Association would work side by side with the pool, stating that "We are both working to the same end of a unified system."

The following committee reports were then read:

Twine Committee:

"We, the committee appointed by the Farmers Union Managers' Association, to compare and test Farmers Union twine, respectfully submit the following results:

In a five-pound ball, we found it to contain 535 feet to the pound, uniform all the way through with only one knot in the entire ball which was tied very neatly and would not have caused any trouble in the binder. The average sisal length was 36 inches.

Two members of the Committee went to the International Harvester Company in Kansas City to obtain a ball of their twine to compare with Penitentiary twine, and were informed that they would not care to furnish or sell twine for this comparison.

This report is made in all good faith and we do heartily recommend the use of Farmers Union Twine."

(Signed) R. O. Dyer.
George Frank
C. Floyd Johnson

It was moved and seconded that this report be accepted as read. Carried.

Resolution Committee:

"RESOLVED, That the Managers' Association of Co-operative Business Associations of the State of Kansas in annual session hereby endorse the amendment to the Stockyards and Packers' Bill as proposed by Senator Capper in the Senate, and Congressman Tincher in the House as absolutely essential to the continued usefulness and prosperity of the Co-operative Shipping Association of this state.

We wish to urge a wider attendance of Managers and Directors of Co-operative Business at the meetings of this Association. We believe this organization and its programs are a wonderful source of inspiration, and probably the best means of furthering the cause of true co-operation in our state.

We wish to express our condemnation of our National House of Representatives in its failure to pass the Haugen Farm Relief Bill. Of all the bills before Congress, italone in our opinion, promises true relief.

Because of the fact that prison labor is operated for private profit, and that the health of the public is not properly safeguarded, we recommend that the Farmers Union Managers' Association go on record as opposed to handling any prison-made garments, and that we buy as much as possible, only garments with the official Labor Union Label thereon.

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Farmers Union Managers' Association endorse the effort of the Lyndon Farmers Union in their effort to establish their own bank.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we do everything in our power to assist and encourage these farmers; that we stay with them until they have succeeded in putting across their bank project.

(Signed) R. F. Anderson.
R. T. Scholfield.
David Thomas.

Motion was made by Clarence Barrett and seconded by John Vesecky that the report of the Resolution Committee be accepted as read. Carried.

Emblem Committee (appointed at Annual Meeting in 1925).

Mr. C. B. Thowe, chairman of the Emblem Committee, reported that in the opinion of his committee, it was not necessary for managers to wear individual buttons, wearing the State Farmers Union Button instead, except on special occasions when their name should be worn on a special badge or ribbon, that each might be recognized as a manager.

The following members were then appointed as a Merchandise Committee to advise and work with the Farmers Union Jobbing Association in buying car lot merchandise.

Report of the Membership Committee was then read by the chairman. "We, your committee on Membership, report four new memberships and several renewals at this meeting. The committee further reports that practically every manager present is a member of the Managers' Association.

(Signed) Jack Stevens, chairman.
C. B. Thowe.
Ralph Chapman.

It was moved by Mr. Seamans that a vote of thanks be extended to Mr. Kinney, president of the Managers Association, for his effort in making this meeting a success. Seconded. Carried.

The meeting adjourned.

Friday, May 28, Cream Station Operators Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kinney at 10 a. m. at which time a brief talk was made by him regarding the purposes and benefits to be gained through the Managers' Association. An invitation was extended by Mr. Kinney for all Cream Station operators to become members of the Managers' Association.

A talk was made by A. W. Seamans relative to Creamery activities, which was followed by an introduction by O. J. Gonld, Kansas State Dairy Commissioner, who gave one of the principal addresses of the morning.

The following Resolution Committee was appointed:

Roy Vernon, Maple Hill, chairman.
W. F. Whitney, Miltonvale.
Joe Hummel, Herington.

There was a talk by Mr. Augustine, Plant Superintendent of the Farmers Union Co-operative Creamery, along the line of his experience in buttermaking. Mr. Augustine explained the extreme loss occurring in second-grade cream.

A short talk was made by Mr. Turner of the Washburn-Crosby Milling Company, on commercial feeds.

There was a round table discussion, with C. B. Thowe, of Alma, as chairman.

The Resolution Committee stated that as they had no resolutions to offer, no report would be made.

The meeting adjourned at noon to re-convene for a general inspection tour of the Farmers Union Co-operative Creamery at 2 p. m. At this time Mr. Augustine gave a "short course" relative to grading and testing cream.

W. V. Stevens, in charge of the Creamery office, explained matters pertaining to the handling of records.

A short talk was made by A. W. Seamans, Creamery Manager, after which adjournments was made.

Respectfully submitted,
O. J. STEVENS, Sec'y.

F. U. MANAGERS BANQUET

A. M. Kinney, toastmaster.

At this banquet, which should be a joyful occasion given over to innocent fun and good natured conversation, it becomes my sorrowful and painful duty as president of this association to bring some very serious matters before you for your consideration.

There have been some charges made against some of the most prominent members of our association, which are so serious that they demand immediate attention. I could not refer these charges to our grievance committee, for every member of this committee is included in my list of men affected by these charges.

Men, this is a terrible thing; it almost breaks my heart to call these men whom we love, these men whom we have confidence in, to answer to the charges brought against them. However, I shall perform my duty as I see it; I shall read this list of names with the charges against each one, and I hope you will consider these charges calmly and, with charity in your hearts, decide if these men are guilty.

Each man on my list will be given exactly two minutes to answer to the charge against him and to establish his innocence. My list is a long one but I am glad to say that not all of you are on it. However, if any of you have a guilty conscience you had better begin preparing your alibi for the guilty are on the list.

We have with us tonight some visitors; men who are not connected with the Farmers Union or our association, but whom we come into contact with in a business way. There have been some complaints handed to me this evening against some of these men which need explaining away and I shall call upon them also to stand up and answer to this meeting.

I am aware of the fact that I may be starting something which I cannot stop and that I may be thrown bodily out of this room but I am carrying an accident policy for several thousand dollars and it has no riot clause in it.

The Best Loved Man in Kansas

John Tromble, who always has something to say;
John Tromble, the best man in Kansas today;
John Tromble, who writes with a sharp-pointed pen;
John Tromble, a natural born leader of men;
Uncle John to us boys who love him so well;
Fighting John to grafters who hate him like hell;
Above our great leaders, he towers as chief
Demanding that farmers shall have some relief.

One of Smiley's Dear, Dear Friends

Down where the Arkansas river goes dry
Along in the summer, in June or July,
Causing thirsty people, to break the booze law,
Is a smart little village they call Wichita.
The Wheat Pool headquarters are located there;
And Downie, the man is full of hot air
According to Smiley, the grain dealers' scribe
Is causing distress to the grain dealers' tribe.
It seems he's not treating the poor grain men right;
We are glad Mr. Downie is with us tonight;
We will ask him to tell us the horrible tale
Why he is the cause of the grain dealers' wail.

A Farmers Union Preacher

Some preachers are narrow and set in their ways,
And believe that all sinners will end in a blaze;
That all men who differ from them are enslaved;
That no one outside of their Church can be saved;
But we have a preacher whose religion is love,
Love for mankind and his maker above;
In speaking, he always is sure of his stuff;
You all know who I mean, our good friend, C. E. Huff.

A Fat Man

D. G. Francis, the fat man, the man with the grin,
The man who would like to be slender and thin,
The man who's so fat his insurance comes high,
The man so impressive when ladies are nigh,
Is the man who, when sent out on hard trip
Always brings back the bacon inside his grip;
Getting produce contracts is pie for this lad,
And although he is fat, he never is sad.

A Farmers Union Lawyer

When I was a young and an innocent child
I believed every story no matter how wild;
And when I was told that sharp horns and a tail
Grew on every lawyer, my face would get pale
And I'd let out a frightened ear-splitting bleat
Every time I would meet one alone on the street;
Even now, my eyes will unconsciously stray
To see if the horns are apparent today.
I will ask Mr. Worline to tell you the truth
About those old stories I heard in my youth.
So far he is lucky, he has never been sent
To Congress, where lives of most lawyers are spent.

A Farmers Union Songster

Ralph Chapman's a man with a silver-toned voice;
His nightengale notes causes folks to rejoice;
He fills the whole house with harmonious sounds
When he sings the old songs with the Harmony Hounds.
It's a good thing that Ralph's a safe married man
For I know the dear girls would be making a plan
To grab him; and maybe, they'll grab him as is,
He has such a good natured looking phiz.

A Successful Manager

Out around Olsburg there's a bunch of Swede hicks
Who are wise to all of the middlemen's tricks;
They own their own store and they trade there as well
As a glance at their splendid balance sheets tell;
Those fellows out there have the world by the tail,
A good loyal bunch like them cannot fail;
R. D. Samuelson functions as Manager there
He is long on good business and short on hot air.

A Wizard

I will now call Mr. Jarrett;
There's no rats inside his garret;
Though he's quite a fancy dresser
He will greet you with a smile.
He's another pencil wizard,
He can see into the gizzard
Of a mass of foolish figures
Which would have us beat a mile.

A Creamery Shark

Listen! Can you hear that rumble?
'Tis machinery I am told,
In the Farmers Union Creamery churning Farmers Union Gold;
And the man who knows its innards, has them absolutely pat.
Is a guy named Archie Seamans, Archie, its your turn to bat.

A Clear Headed Thinker

Out on the plains where tornadoes are born
Where grows the best wheat in the world, and some corn,
Lives a man whose color thinking no liars can cloud—
A man of whom, all of we farmers are proud.
John Vesecky, the Wheat Pool Sales Agency chief,
Whose speeches are always sharp-pointed and brief;
When John talks, he always has something to say;
Dear John, you're as welcome as flowers in May.

A Wise Judge

Last fall at the meeting we held out at Hays,
Where we filled with hot air the October days
I had for a roommate a man you all know,
One whose language is always as cool as the snow.
Judge Crall never gets excited or shouts;
And he smiles when some wild windjammer spouts;
I am sure that the reason the Judge is so wise,
Is, he's early to bed and he's early to rise.

A Speedy Guy

We have with us Jack Stevensky,
He is young and bashfulinsky;
He will tell his experiensky
With the cops in his home town;
If you're late to catch the flier,
Jack will say, "Get in, we'll try her."
He will win or bust a tire
And no cop can wave him down.

The Man With a Silver Tongue

I will now introduce to you Mr. De Voss;
Who at speaking or singing is never at loss;
He can charm the birds off the trees with his tongue;
He can sing the old songs as they've never been sung.
When he's driving a car his speedometer locks,
But he steps on the gas regardless of knocks;
He always looks forward straight through to the end,
He is one whom I'm proud to own as my friend.

A Contract Getter

Now the plot begins to thicken;
Here is Frosty, who loves chicken;
But he never takes a liken
From a man who won't come thru;
He can get a contract quicker
Than you can find bootleg liquor
Here in K. C. where its thicker
Than the stars up in the blue.

The Farmers Dear Old Friend

E. J. Smiley, the Kansas Grain Dealers' scribe,
Their big medicine man, and this is no gibe;
The man who's so scared that the co-ops will fool
The poor trusting farmers and get them to pool
Their wheat crop so they can sell it themselves;
O well, the more one inquires and delves
Into Smiley's actions, the record will tend
To show that E. J. is the farmers dear friend.

A Deacon

Some folks say that a deacon won't steal,
So we have one in our creamery deal;
He is Deacon Stevens, as[illegible] boss;
So far, there has never been a loss.
He might drink buttermilk on the sly,
But if he does, he always gets by;
It's a shame on Sunday Vest has to work,
But a Deacon is not a man to shirk.

A Canny Scotchman

Phillipsburg, Anderson claims for his place;
A Scotchman I judge from his name and his face;
He's canny in business and canny in speech;
He has stuck to the Union as close as a leach.
His judgment in business is careful and cool,
He's a hard man for grafters and fakers to fool;
A man you can tie to, and sound to the core;
Mr. Anderson, please stand up, you have the floor.

Girard's Best Bet

In the days when the Waylands held forth in Girard,
And folks greeted each other as comrade and pard,
Some folks thought the village held all who were great,
And should be the capitol of our great state.
But now since the Socialists' lanterns are dark,
The town's one best bet is our friend, Mr. Clark;
I know you'll all vote to move from Topek,
The State House, when you have heard Mr. Clark speak.

One of the Immortal Two Hundred

Down in Osage County there's a fine little town,
Where bankers would meet the poor hicks with a frown;
So farmers decided to own their own bank.
The first time they tried, their appeal drew a blank;
Fifteen bankers with Grifith and Ryan said no;
But two hundred farmers advanced 'gainst the foe,
And refused to abide by the bankers behest.
Mr. Lyons of Lyndon will tell you the rest.

A Fanatic

The man with the wide open wonderful smile,
No hair on his head, in his manner no guile,
Has for his hobby a beautiful dream,
That sometime, somewhere, there'll be no bad cream.
The one thing that rouses his slumbering ire,
And lights up his language with fierce flaming fire,
Is dirt in your cream from no fault of the cow.
Mr. Augustine, please come forward and bow.

Good As Gold

Harry Witham, good old granger,
You all know he is no stranger;
He is like a Texas ranger
Grabbing buyers for your wheat.
With a voice that's rich and mellow
He can hypnotise a fellow,
Making him believe that yellow
Wheat makes bread that's good to eat.

A Victim

Last Fall in the glorious October days,
Some folks from Paola started driving to Hays;
The roads were quite good and the weather was fine,
They stopped in Salina to rest and to dine.
Ha! Who is that? A bold highwayman by heck;
He calmly proceeded their finance to to wreck;
The hole in his cannon was big as a drum,
Mr. Highdecker please tell these folks, how come.

A Loyal Farmers Union Man

Out west at WaKeeney, a fine little town
Dick Scholfield is holding a Union job down;
He is sure a great hustler loyal and true,
One hundred per cent Farmers Union man too.
No old line grain man can handle his grain,
It always travels down the farmers' own lane;
A man whom its always a pleasure to greet,
And one whom you'll never be sorry to meet.

A Financial Leader

In the battle of Lyndon the bankers first scored;
Insulted and scorned by the State Charter Board,
The farmers withdrew and reformed for the fight
To free them from grafting political might;
General Trull, the farmers chief in command,
Will soon lead his brave victorious band
In a charge which will rout the financial ranks,
And open the way for our farmer owned banks.

We accuse A. M. Kinney of being a poet and genius.
There are many clever writers who do rhymes for Sunday papers.
But we know a man who's brighter, writing witty, pithy rhymes;
And he writes with nimble fingers packing every verse with wisdom,
So the sound sense of them lingers and they're fitted to our tunes.
In the Kansas Union Weekly and in other Co-op papers,
For our faults he stabs us deeply with his witty pithy rhymes.

C. E. HUFF.

KINNEY'S IMPRESSION

The recent meeting of the Farmers Union Managers Association held in Kansas City, May 26-27-28, was the most enthusiastic Farmers Union meeting I have ever attended. There has been a wonderful change in the spirit of the managers all over the State. A few years ago, the manager working for a Farmers Union business institution rather felt that he must apologize for his job; he was made to feel by the interests opposing the co-operative marketing of farm products that he was outcast in the business world. But today the men who belong to our Farmers Union Managers Association are proud of the fact that they are working for the farmers, and they do not care a tinker's damn who knows it.

The Farmers Union Managers Association is not excelled by any association in Kansas in the ability of its members to stand up on the floor and express their views on any subject which may come before them. I have attended quite a number of old line grain dealers conventions, and it seemed to me that the main business before these conventions was, How can we increase our profits at the expense of the farmers; in other words, how can we get a larger margin for handling grain. The main theme of our managers meeting the other day, was, how can we increase and better our services to the farmers who are employing us. Does not this sound better to you farmers?

Now, while we managers are proud of our jobs, you farmers should be proud of the men who are making a success of your business; of the men who are building up a force which will stand between you and the predatory interests who have been enjoying fat pickings at your expense. I want to tell you that the Farmers Union Managers Association is building a fighting force for co-operation which will be able to withstand any assault made upon it.

I will just mention the high spots of our meeting. Mr. Tromble made us one of his great talks; no one can listen to Mr. Tromble without realizing the lovable character and strong personality of the man who has devoted his life to the betterment of the conditions surrounding Agriculture.

Mr. Ernest Downie ,Secretary and General Manager of the Kansas Co-operative Wheat Marketing Association, gave us a splendid talk on the friendly relations of the Farmers Union and the Wheat Pool. Mr. Downie is a forcible speaker, and his speech carried the conviction that he is an earnest capable man able to fill sucessfully the position which he holds. I make the prediction that Mr. Downie will go far in the co-operative movement.

Mr. Robert Worline, attorney for the Jobbing Association, made us a very pleasant talk. I am in favor, and believe we should make Mr. Worline an Honorary member of our association.

Mr. John Vesecky, newly elected president of the Five State Co-operative Wheat Pool Sales Agency, is an outstanding figure in the co-operative movement, a strong Farmers Union man, and he made one of his usual splendid talks. It makes no difference how high up John goes, even when he is elected President of the United States, we shall always claim him; he will always be our John. Mr. C. E. Huff made one of his convincing speeches; no one can listen to Mr. Huff, without being a better co-operative and a better man. Mr. Anderson whose grasp of good business methods has placed The Phillips County Farmers Union in an enviable position among the Farmers Union business institutions in the State, made one of the best talks I have ever heard on business methods.

Among the many speakers who made good talks, were C. B. Thowe of Alma, Westgate of Manhattan, Yocum of St. Marys, Vernon of Maple Hill, Jacobs of Lenora, Chapman of Paola, Miller of Brewster, Reed of Madison, Barret of Lone Elm, Scholfield of WaKeeney, Ingles of Michigan Valley, Lyons of Lyndon, Hotton of Junction City, and many others.

The State Institutions were represented by Mr. Dunn of the Auditing Association, Mr. Tr[illegible] of the Farmers Union Bank, Mr. Seamans of the Creamery, Mr. DeVoss of the Jobbing Association and Mr. Stultz of the Livestock Company, and Mr. Brasted of the Insurance Company, and they all made good talks to us.

When I look over the list of splendid men who belong to our Association, and realize how much better qualified they are to hold the position of president, I am filled with the wonder that I have been selected for this position; but I am intensely proud of the fact that I have been chosen for this office. I came home from this meeting with my head swelled up to such a size that I have been unable to wear a hat; and if any of you will visit me this summer, I know that you will find me going around bareheaded.

A. M. KINNEY,
President.

SCHOLFIELDS IMPRESSION

We have perhaps never had a better or more interesting meeting of the managers and directors of the Farmers Union business concerns from over the state, than the one just held May 26 to 28 in Kansas City, Missouri. I believe it is true when I say that everyone at this meeting was very much interested, and was there to learn something that would help them in their loyal business problems, and if possible to become better co-operation. We had the privilege of listening to the different managers over the state, also some of the directors. By our round table discussions we were able to turn some of the problems around and view them from different angles.

We were brought face to face with conditions as they are over the state of Kansas and the United States, and could see more clearly the need of co-operative selling and co-operative buying. We have seen the need for a long time, for contracts between various business association and the jobbing association, in order that we might move more collectively in the selling of our grain, that the jobbing association might be assured of a volume that would give them greater prestige and power on the market. We believe in the pooling plan and think that every farmer ought to sign a contract and pool his products, but all of the wheat in the state of Kansas that is not pooled, but goes through farmer owned elevators ought to go to the Farmers Union Jobbing Association, and we are working toward this end.

We visited the Farmers Union Co-operative Creamery and were delighted to see the clock work system in operation, and the immense volume and quality of butter being made. We feel sure that in time to come the produce association will stand out, as one of the best and most profitable institutions the farmers have ever builded. And to my mind the nicest part of all

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CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF BUSINESS OF FARMERS UNION STATE BANK KANSAS CITY, KANSAS

OFFICIAL CALL CLOSE OF BUSINESS MAY 20th, 1926

RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Loans and discounts	$430,520.45	Capital	$100,000.00
Overdrafts	796.77	Surplus	50,000.00
Furn. and fixt'rs	16,204.06	Deposits	441,190.97
Cash items, collections in transit, bonds and warrants	15,605.40	Bills Payable	25,000.00
Cash and Sight Exchange	157,141.26	Rediscounts	8,287.08
Other Resources	4,210.11		
Total	$624,478.05	Total	$624,478.05

The above statement is correct.

O. K. MARLEY, Vice-Pres.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 10, 1926

GUARDING THE COUNTRY SCHOOLS

Selling material to country schools that is not needed is one of the oldest games played on the taxpayers of Kansas. About almost every rural school building there are useless and expensive apparatus and books that have never returned any profit except to the manufacturers and the selling agents. When the state adopted a uniform system of texts for use in all elementary schools it was assumed that the market for additional equipment was considerably curtailed. It turned out the other way. Country school teachers have been persuaded that they cannot do good work without a great mass of supplementary material and books and country school boards, always ready to spend money for better instruction, have bought the stuff regardless of price or quality.

One of the functions of the state text book board is to protect the taxpayers and the school children from the infernally persuasive powers of the selling agents who peddle various materials and books said to be aids in teaching. The board has adopted the system of "approving" material that is not included in the regularly adopted lists of authorized texts. And of course it follows that all the "approved" material is sold throughout the state in as great quantities as the traffic will stand. This system has cost the districts many thousands of dollars but has been some what interferred with by the present state superintendent of public instruction.

An experience of more than twenty years in teaching in and supervising county schools has enabled Jess Miley to learn just about what paraphernalia, equipment and books can be used in the rural schools with advantage to the pupils and without undue cost to the patrons. During his term as state superintendent Miley has proved himself to be a terror to the glib selling agents and unscrupulous manufacturers who so cheerfully and successfully fill our country school houses with useless junk as long as they are allowed to ply their trade unmolested.

The following news article was recently sent out from Topeka and since it is proper campaign material, doubtless from Mileys headquarters, gives some interesting information on this important matter:

Overloading the one-teacher rural schools of Kansas has been the greatest menace to the children who receive their primary education here. They are not "overloaded" with the best advantages of education, but with superfluous school books and paraphernalia that actually retard their advancement.

Jess W. Miley, state superintendent of public instruction, has faced the cry, "Help the Rural Schools," which he discovered to be a catchy phrase that would permit book agents and fly-by-night concerns to load on farmers and school patrons in rural communities all manner of useless text books, so many in fact that the whole thing became confusing and actually a menace to the primary education of the children.

"To put over double systems of drawing, two sets of arithmetics, supplemental reading, classics, the study of agriculture and a half dozen other texts in addition to the adopted books, in these one-teacher schools, the plea was made that "the country boy and girl must have the same advantages those in the towns and cities have." It was a "catchy" plea, and it has been working for years, until as Mr. Miley says, 47 texts have been crowded into these one-teacher schools, and the taxpayers have been paying the bills. "Not that all of these are of no importance to the child, "Mr. Miley said in a recent public address, "but for the simple reason that the teacher in a one-room rural school does not have the time to devote to anything outside of the most essential material.

"To one who has been engaged constantly in the rural work for the past quarter of a century in Kansas, it appears that no greater service can be rendered to the rural one-teacher schools than to insist on a maximum effort to emphasize the fundamentals in education. I am striving to cut down this crowded course for better results and efficiency, and for saving the money of the people who support our schools."

BUSINESS IS WAKING UP

For a long time it has been customary for bankers and business men to pay no mind to the farmers demand for just legislation and fair markets. The people who live in the cities, and they now out number the farmers almost 3 to 1 most all believe that the farmers of this country are asking for help from them, or at least from the public revenues. They know that they are already paying prices for farm products that are high enough to make agriculture profitable. They take it for granted that what they pay, for the most part, goes to the farmer and they believe it is enough to make the agricultural business prosperous. The people who buy farm products either fresh or preserved, right out of the fields and gardens or after conversion do not know that less than one-fifth of the dollars that they pay for necessary food ever find their way to the pockets of the producers.

There are signs that a lot of folks in the cities are waking up to the intolerable conditions that threaten the existence of the contented, prosperous and home owning class of farmers who have been the boast and the strongest support of this country since Washington was president. Wise students of history know that few nations have survived the downfall of successful agriculture. They are alarmed at the condition of the farming industry in this country because it threatens their own well being and is a menace to stability and performance of our free institution.

Otto H. Kahn of New York is an enlightened banker who has given much thought to the agricultural situation. In an address delivered in the east a few days ago among other things he said:

"For many years, the farming industry, has not yielded adequate returns. Many farmers are gravely discontented and under an intense sense of grievance toward the existing order of things. Adversity, more or less acute, has been the fate of a great portion of the farming community, while general business has been prosperous and wages have attained unprecedented levels."

"At best, the farmer's calling is a toilsome one, involving inevitable hardships and deprivations. The farming business is the largest in the country. The basic and vital necessity of the farming industry needs no emphasis. The immense social value of the farming class to the State is beyond argument."

"The farming stock provides a continuous and essential supply of human raw material toward the preservation of the vigor and the distinctive characteristics of the American race."

"If there is one calling which has a higher claim than another upon the helpful consideration of the State it is that of the farmer. The farmer's problem is part of our problem. The farmer's welfare is an essential part of our welfare."

"It is harmful and menacing to the commonwealth that so numerous and so valuable a portion of the population should feel dissatisfied and resentful and be without prosperity. The situation lends itself peculiarly to the incitements and wiles of the demagogue and to the plausible figurements of the economic visionary.

"Both justice and self-interest demand of the community at large that every legitimate endeaver be put forth to the end that the farmer's grievances be redressed. If that redress can only be accomplished by methods which, while practicable and economically warrantable and promising to be effective, are novel and perhaps unpalatable to the established ways of business, then the less important will have to yield to the more important, i. e., business convenience and customs to the rehabilitation of the farming industry."

"Unless well-considered, sincere and earnest efforts are promtply put into operation by Congress, within the limits of economic soundness and practicability, to accomplish the object in view, the danger looms ahead that a large section of the farming vote may succumb to the specious persuasiveness and false promises of the well-meaning, self-deceived purveyor of political and economic nostrums and delusions, often disproved but ever resurging, or of the cunning demagogue and fomentor of class animosity."

"It is not sufficient answer to the farmer's complaint to refer him sternly to the rigid functioning of the law of supply and demand and to the doctrine of the survival of the fittest; because in reply the farmer will contend that in other respects, for reasons which seemed valid to congress, we have not scrupled to interfere, through acts of government and otherwise, with the untrammeled workings of that law and doctrine; and he will and does claim that we either adhere to them strictly all around or give him the effective advantage of dispensations similar to to those which have been granted in the case of other callings."

"As to the argument that the adoption of measures sufficiently thorough-going to give real relief to the farmer might set a dangerous precedent, it seems to me that aversion against, or apprehension of, establishing a a precedent is never a valid reason for failure to do that which is justly called for. I feel assured that we may rely—and indeed under a popular system of government we must rely—upon the soundness and watchfulness of public opinion to see to it that precedents are not harmfully misapplied or abused."

The only light that Mr. Kahn still needs is a little more knowledge of the sort of men who are trying to secure justice for the farmers. The agricultural leaders of the present day know economic laws, they are not demagagues and they are not in the fight for equality to serve their own purposes or ambitions. The cities and big business have yet to learn that agriculture has a patriotic and competent leadership.

OVER ORGANIZED DISTRIBUTION

The man who believes that society will ever be re-organized on a scientific basis planned to abolish waste is a credulous soul who has observed his fellow humans and their ways to very small purpose. We are the most wasteful people on earth or that ever did live on this earth and we are growing more extravagant with each passing year. The farmers and other products of raw materials complain that they are unable to secure profitable prices for their commodities; the consumers of food and clothing complain that they are forced to pay prices for the necessities of life that are so high that all hope of saving against the misfortunes and necessities of old age and unemployment must be abandoned. Both have just causes of complaint but their grievances are not against each other.

In 1890 the farm population was considerably greater than that of the urban communities. Today there are 31,000,000 people on the farms and not less than 84,000,000 in the cities and towns. That should make times better for the farmer and would do so if he had the slightest control over the prices of his products. His markets are bigger and nearer home than ever before and strange as it may seem the prices he receives, measured by purchasing power, are lower than they have been for a long time. This looks like an impossible situation but it exists and something must be done about it or the farmer will go on getting less and less for his crops and the consumer will go on paying more and more for his necessities.

The whole trouble appears to be in the fact that too many people who produce nothing are trying to make a living as distributors of commodities. Within three blocks of the hotel in which this is being written in the city of Washington there are no less than fifty small grocery stores and three or four fairly good sized establishments. Rents, wages, lights and all other operating expenses are very high. To meet operating costs it is necessary to charge high prices to consumers. The purchasers know they are paying too much and blame the farmers; the farmers know that they are getting too little and blame the middleman who after all is the real devil in the picture.

No man knows what can be done about this situation. In effect we are destroying ourselves because we have so far failed to set up any distributing machinery with direct contact between producers and consumers. As a consumer the farmer gets away from some of the exorbitant cost of retail merchandise by purchasing a goodly portion of his supplies from mail order houses. The city man hardly knows that such houses as Sears and Roebuck and Montgomery Ward are in existence. He seldom has the money to send to a mail order house which always gets cash in advance and for that reason alone is able to undersell any concern in the world that does business on credit.

One of these days farmers and some other folk as well will wake up and organize and support their institutions for distribution but it will be a good while yet. For at least another generation producers will permit wholly unnecessary middlemen take all the profits. Self protection is about the last thing that the average American thinks about but sure as the sun shines and water runs down hill we must begin to work out some scientific plan for the distribution of commodoties that will be honest and efficient at both ends of the line.

BUSINESS PESSIMISM

The newspapers of the eastern half of the country are keeping up their treatment of business conditions by suggestion. The customers are informed several times daily that there is a steady growth in trade, that financial conditions are steadily improving and that the grumbling farmers of this west are merely running true to traditional farm in protesting that something must be done for agriculture. But there are a good many merchants and other tradesmen who refuse to be fooled and are curtailing their stocks and reducing their purchases. They know that there is something wrong and that the whole fabric of commerce is liable to buckle up like a busted balloon most any time and so they are do not propose to be caught with large and unsalable stocks on our hands.

The boosters have a fairly hard time with the general run of folks but when they are forced to bolster up the faith of the business fraternity as well as of the consuming public their job becomes almost impossible. In a recent attempt to backfire against the growing impression that trace is slacking up the National City Bank of New York and most of the rest of the world has this to say to its patrons:

"Not every one is satisfied with the volume or the profitableness of his business, but some of these complaints have to be discounted, as it has been shown time and time again that even in the best of years there is always some one who either is not, or t hinks he is not, getting as much business as the others. It is true that not all lines are showing as uniform improvement as was the case a few months ago, and some industries give definite signs that production has run ahead of consumption. Already this has necessitated some slowing up in various lines, and doubtless further readjustment may occur before the balance is everywhere restored.

"Buying, however, has been generally conservative, and, in view of the absence in most quarters of burdensome stocks, and the promise of continued ease in money, there seems no reason why whatever further readjustment is needed should not take place without undue disturbance. The way in which the Florida boom has quietly flattened out without serious consequences is a reassuring demonstration of the influence of an easy credit situation in facilitating orderly liquidation."

The real truth of course is that the farmers are without any real buying power. Their scanty incomes are used for interest payments and to meet other fixed charges. They are making no purchases of anything but absolute necessities and much of their buying is at the expense of withdrawing their capital form active operations. This condition makes actual prosperity impossible.

The Department of Agriculture reports that an increasing percentage of our cotton crop is being handled co-operatively. And why not? The cotton cooperatives have stabilized the prices received by planters, have established fair grading standards and have made money for all growers both inside and outside.

COMMENT ON WORLD'S NEWS FOR WEEK

Students Who Work Through

College constitute a considerable percentage of attendance at Yale University. President Angell of that institution reports that about one third of the men there are partly or wholly self supporting and such students earn about $5,000,000 a year. He also states that the self supporting students stand high in their classes, are well thought of in social circles and add materially to the democratic spirit of the institution.

After all there is a very easy explanation of the fact that self supporting students do well in college. They are there becaue they want education and are willing to work, to sacrifice and to stint themselves in order to get it. They go to college. On the other hand the parent supported students have more time for their work as well as for their play. Given equal ability with the others they should excel, but they are sent to college.

One of these days it will be recognized that institutions of higher education can do very little for young folk that are sent to them and that their true and useful field is educating students who go of their own accord and pay their own way.

Vare Will be Elected

United States senator from Pennsylvania if he lives until November. He is running on the simple platform that "Every American citizen is entitled to his rights" among which are life, liberty property and the right to drink what he pleases regardless of the constitution. He has served fourteen years in congress and is absolute boss of the republican party machine in Philadelphia. He was nominated in the primary by a plurality of more than 200,000 votes over his closest competitor and at that carried only two counties in the state while his opponents were getting majorities or pluralities in the remaining 66. But one county was enough for Vare's purposes. He carried Philadelphia by more than 220,000.

As a United States senator from Pennsylvania the Philadelphia ward politician and boss will be the successor of several right good men who have served the republic as representatives of Pennsylvania. Among other senators elected from the Keystone state since the constitution, which has become so objectionable to many good Bucktails, was adopted history gives us the names of Robert Morris, Albert Gallatin, George M. Dallas, David Wilmot, James Buchanan and Simon Cameron to say nothing of Matthew S. Quay and Boies Penrose.

There were giants in those earlier Pennsylvania days. Vare will be in strange company but his predecessors may make a good statesmen of him.

Earthquake Annunciators

Warranted to detect any earth tremor that may occur anywhere in the world are now being perfected by talented inventors dedicated to the service of science and the spread of knowledge. In a little while no well furnished home need be without a first class earthquake announcer. There should be a large market for these new machines in Southern California and many can doubtless be sold in San Francisco if the manufacturers will just attach some sort of a contrivance for the detection of fire.

The only trouble with the new annunciators is that they give their information only after the shock has happened and that is rather too late to be of any real service to the citizens who are buried beneath the debris caused by the earthquake. If science and invention will just get busy and give us some detectors or detectives that will tell us when tornadoes, cold snaps and political landslides are going to happen in order that we may make timely use of our cyclone cellars that will be a real service to mankind.

The patent office is now junking about a million models of wholly useless inventions. If human genius could all be used to promote human welfare this world would soon be a much better place in which to live and raise a family.

Accuracy Persistently

Eludes most of our best conducted newspapers. In describing the failure of the aristocratic Florida colony, camp or club that has just flivered out although it had the backing of most of the codfish elite of this country and England the New York World says that the plans for the buildings were drawn by an architect of the name of Gilbert who designed the United States treasury building at Washington. If this is true today must surely be an age of opportunity for old men.

The Treasury, except parts of the Capitol and White House, is the oldest federal building in Washington. It was constructed during the administration of Andrew Jackson who was inaugurated president along about the 4th of March 1929. If the architect of that building is living and practicing his profession, and we have the word of the unusually reliable New York World that he is, he must be something like 140 years of age. He should be celebrating his Sesqui-Centennial with the balance of the Philadelphians.

After all the newspapers are so useful that they can be forgiven an occasional error and they are not really dangerous except when they are read by people who believe what they see in print just because it is in print.

Private Vengeance is Becoming

More and more popular with the unabalanced and cowardly who hate without reason and kill without remorse. Just the other day a constable in one of the northern states sent a loaded bomb to one his neighbors and the resulting explosion killed three people. The avenger excused himself by saying that he had grown tired of seeing the township run by one man.

Another lunatic sent a sack of poisoned flour to his enemy and the resulting mortality has not yet all been ascertained. Both of these self elected social readjusters used the United States mails as their agent. There are far too many citizens of our republic who are sure that they are wiser than the courts, the congress, the president or the constable. If some one will just make it the fashion for all the folks to mind their own business and pay no mind to the private and personal affairs of others, there will be a rapid improvement in living conditions in this country.

But no one will. The habit of being meddlesome Mattys is growing on us.

Government Keeps Right Ahead

Taking in new territory all the time. New York has a Boxing Commission established for the purpose of supervising and regulating the practice of the profession of remaking human maps sometimes referred to as pugilism. For quite some time the Hon Dempsy has been the champion facial reconstructor of this country. Jess Willard and George Carpenter, to say nothing of various less distinguished gents, have never been the same since Dempsy worked on their faces.

Dempsy is a canny sort of a fellow, that is he is a wise boy. He knows hat the surest way to avoid having his own face reconstructed and his champion ship wrested from him is to keep out of the prize ring and elude all efforts of rival candidates for fistic honors to force him to fight. For quite a long time now he has been a fightless champion but the long and strong arm of the government of the state of New York is reached out for him and first thing he knows he will find himself in the ring with a very unpleasant colored person who is likely to do a little map revision on his own account.

In other words, the New York Boxing Commission has ordered Dempsy to fight Wills or resign his championship. Aint government just grand?

Gustavas Adolphus, Prince of

Sweden has brought his wife over to this country and the royal couple are now giving us a careful once over. When they get to Kansas it will be no trouble for them to get an eyeful of what happens to Swedes when they come to the United States and get a fair chance to show their real stuff. Governor Paulen should extend an official welcome to the prince and princess and in order to assure that the job is well done Billy Swanson should be invited to make the welcome address.

The strangest thing about this visiting Swedish prince is that he has little if any Swedish blood. The royal house of Sweden was established by a Frenchman of the name of Bernadotte who enlisted in the armies of Napoleon Bonaparte as a private soldier and proved himself such a good fighter that he soon became a field marshal. About that time the old Swedish royal family petered out. The reigning king had no children or other kin to inherit his throne. Looking about Europe for promising material for royalty the Swedish government or king discovered Bernadotte.

In those days a first class fighting man was in good demand every where and doubtless Bernadotte might have had his pick of king jobs but he liked the offer made him by Sweden and was adopted by that county as heir to the throne. He and his descendants have ruled there ever since. The prince who is now visiting the United States is the great-great-great grandson of the French private soldier who became a field marshal and a king.

No, the princess is no more Swedish than her husband. She was a member of the English royal family and that means that she is neither Swedish nor English since the reigning house of Great Britain is German, only a few generations removed from the first two Georges neither of whom ever spoke a single word of English.

Royalty Bothers Itself

Very little about nationality. In fact the whole assemblage of kings and princes of Europe, most of them are now without jobs constitute a race to themselves. Except the Bernadottes, the Bourbon and Napoleonic pretenders and one or two princes in the Balkans the whole royal outfit are members of two German families, the Hapsburgs who ruled in Austria for a thousand years and the Guelphs or Brunwickers who came to England with George the First.

Much more than one-half the royalties of Europe are descended from Queen Victoria who was the grandmother of the Emperor Wilhelm, the second of Germany, and the Czar, Nicholas of Russia as well as of a number of other more or less important kings and princes who lost their jobs as a result of the World War.

Strawberries Get Along Well Without

Any visible soil for their support. All through the Ozarks there are acres and acres of this fruit growing and yielding bounteously on land that appears to be nothing more than beds of flint, gravel or broken limestone. And it is not maybe when we say bounteously. It takes 25,000 pickers imported from surrounding sections to harvest the Ozark strawberries. This year the crop will return several million of dollars to the growers.

Several hundreds of cars were shipped daily for several days, the total crop was the biggest on record. The Kansas City Southern, only one of three railways that serve that section handled 850 cars. Each car contains 448 crates of berries of 24 quarts to the crate. The Southern therefore handled almost ten million quarts of strawberries this year.

Some farmers report yields that returned a gross income of $250 to $350 an acre and some claim as high as $2000. Some money in strawberries but it comes out only where there is plenty of lime and few weeds in the soil.

THE MANAGERS MEET IN KANSAS CITY

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is the fact that the producer has an interest in the product until it reaches the consumer. The Co-operative Creamery will stand as a beacon light along the pathway of co-operation. We visited the Farmers Union Jobbing Association and the Farmers Union State Bank. It would be impossible for me to enumerate the different ways of service that has been provided for so far. But if we could take the entire membership through the different business activities and show them the immense possibilities in the Insurance both life and fire the opportunities through their bank, the Jobbing Association and the live stock the next five years would spell a far greater growth than the past ten years.

The last meeting of the Managerial Association is always best, so it seems, at least and I feel that each one there received much good and that at our next meeting there will be all the old faces present and that we may greet many new faces, and welcome them in our association.

R. F. SCHOLFIELD,
A member of the Association.

"COMMENT"

Huron, Kans., May 31, 1926.
Kansas Union Farmer:

I have read with much interest, and a good deal of amusement, Mr. E. L. Rickel's letter in the issue of May 27, and Mr. Scholfield's answer to it. Mr. Rickel seems to be considerably peeved because the farmers around WaKeeney are supporting their own terminal marketing company.

Of course, I do not suppose he is the only grain man who is peeved at their conduct; in their opinion, the farmers have no right to be in business at all, and especially in the terminal marketing business.

These old line grain men know that they have built up the best system in the world for the marketing of grain, that is, it is the best system for the buyers; and there ought to be a law passed compelling the farmers to send all of their grain to them.

This letter of Mr. Rickel's when you read between the lines, sounds like the last despairing wail of a man who sees the handwriting on the wall for this old system of grain marketing. This is the way Mr. Rickel's letter sounded to me.

"My Dear Mr. Scholfield, while this is no threat you must send me some wheat or I'll sure make you sweat; I shall send your directors quotations direct, with the hope that this method will have some effect. Now Dear Mr. Scholfield, I'm for you, you know; I'd sure hate to hand you an underhand blow; but if you do not send me a part of your wheat, I will dig the foundation from under your feet. I know your own grain firm has handled your grain, and the knowledge has given us grain men a pain; at last we've decided the thing we must do, is to scare some managers, so I'm working on you. We feel ourselves slipping; our profits are slim, our hopes for the future are growing quite dim; unless we can turn back this damned Co-op stream, our grafting on farmers will be but a dream. I hope, Mr. Scholfield, my meaning is plain; I have got to have part of your company's grain; and if you still ship to the farmers own firm, I shall try to do something to make you-all squirm."

A. M. KINNEY.

"A SUCCESSFUL MANAGERIAL MEETING"

The recent meeting of the Managerial Association, held in Kansas City, ought to be productive of large results. The program was of a high order, and those responsible for its arrangement are to be congratulated. President Kinney was in his best mood with his Walt Mason toasts at the banquet. So far as my judgment goes, every number on the program was extremely worth while. Some of the addresses were worthy of reproduction in booklet form, for distribution among managers. If the group of managers present at this meeting is typical of our managers, there ought to be no further trouble about patronage for the state-wide organizations. Pres. Tromble and Sec'y Brasted were present, and, as is usual, were very helpful.

Messrs. Felts and Chapman, of the "Harmony Hounds," sang some of their numbers wih good effect. Every local business association sending its manager to these meetings is making a good investment for the future, both for themselves and for the co-operative movement. I vote the meeting a complete success.

Actual work of electrifying farms in Oklahoma will soon be under way as the result of a meeting held lately by the general committee on farm electrification, composed of representatives of electric light and power companies, manufacturers of electrical equipment, representatives of the Agricultural and Mechanical College at Stillwater, farm organizations and farm newspapers. The general committee, which, as a result of a survey of the State, recommended that electric utility companies establish and promote farm electrification projects in their own territories, each following its own policy relative to the methods to be pursued.

IN THE STONE AGE

The Stone Age was a good old Age
When a man had pep and vim;
Each time he wanted a new wife
He axed her to marry him.

DIDN'T INTEND TO

"Oh, will you miss me?" warbled the serenading lover.

"Not if I can help it," muttered Dad as he took a windup with the water pitcher.

The Country Woman

SWAT THE ROOSTER

Mrs. Brewster use'tr boost a rooster,
The pride of all the hens upon her roost.
Of her chickens she was proud;
Sang their praises long and loud,
And bagg'd the way all chicken raisers use'd.
But when she joined the pool
To market eggs by rule,
And found her grade of eggs sometimes reduced,
She resolved to get a tool
And execute the fool
O fa rooster she had one time use'ter boost.
For a while she missed the lay
He had sung at break o' day,
But the twinges of her conscience she excuse't.
For she said "The lays that pays
And provides the means and ways
Are the "lays" the "widdie biddies" have produced.
(We could write more of this kind of stuff, but that's enough, anyway.)
—G. F. S.

HOME HINTS
By Aunt Aggie of K. S. A. C.

"Something Icy Cold"

The tinkle of ice against thin glass, a sprig of fresh mint or a slice of lemon a top a frosty liquid—what we want now is "something icy cold" to stimulate jaded appetites. The following recipes, approved by the Department of Food Economics and Nutrition at the Kansas State Agricultural college, are easily prepared and may take the place of elaborate desserts this hot weather:

Foundation Punch

8 oragnes, 6 to 8 lemons, 2 cups sugar, water to make 1 gal.

Squeeze juice from fruit and strain. Make sugar into a syrup with 1 cup of the water. Cool.Combine syrup and fruit juice and add remaining water. Pour a small quantity into the punch bowl, add a block of ice, pour remainder of punch over the ice. Tea may be substituted for part of the water. Other fruit juices sweetened to taste may be added for variety. Various combintions are suggested below.

Ginger Ale Punch

Use Foundation Punch, substituting 1 bottle of ginger ale for an equal amount of water.

Grape Punch

One part Foundation Punch; one to two parts grape juice.

Strawberry Juice

One part Foundation Punch; one part strawberry juice. A larger proportion of canned strawberry juice may be used.

Mint Punch

One gallon Foundation Punch; one dozen small sprigs of fresh mint. Pour the hot syrup used in making Foundation Punch over the mint. Let stand 5 minutes. Strain before adding to the fruit juice. A garnish of fresh mint is particularly good.

Tea Punch

Three parts Foundation Punch or lemonade; two parts tea.

CHILD MANAGEMENT
By Dr. D. A. Thom

WHY CHILDREN LIE.

Although deliberate lying, misrepresenting the facts of the case, and tendencies to "make believe," sometimes with marked elaborations, are extremely common in children, these deviations from absolute truth are much less well defined as abnormal conduct than stealing. Lying is almost universally connected with stealing as a means of defense, an effort on the part of the child to avoid the humiliation of confession and subsequent punishment. It is exactly what one would expect the child to do in his effort to protect himself. Successful lying which goes undetected gives the child, consciously or unconsciously, a sense of power and satisfaction owing to the fact that he has attained his end by his effort. This is especially true with the group of misrepresentations that are consciously utilized to cover up other misdemeanors.

The most vicious type of lying is that usually prompted by jealousy or by resentment toward members of the family or intimate acquaintance. This might be termed slanderous lying, the object of which is to misrepresent or place in an uncomfortable situation the individual about whom the lies are told.

Less offensive and not particularly serious is the lying of the child who is inclined to "put himself across" in a big way by exaggeraing his achievements. Fabrications which tend tc reflect to the credit of the child are normal mental processes in early life. Many children live in a make-believe world, and parents are apt to interpret the child's descriptions of his dream world as deliberate lying. But the whole motive is quite different, and except for making the child understand that he is not dealing with the real world and that everyone to whom he tells the tales understands that fact too, nothing need be dore.

HOME HINTS
By Aunt Maggies of K. S. A. C.

The Kitchen Floor

"I've scrubbed this pesky floor till I'm worn out," sighed a certain lady of my acquaintance, "and look at it now!"

Grease spots in front of the kitchen range, dingy stains under the sink—surely not an encouraging sight. But why not finish the floor so that it will not need to be scrubbed every day?

Oil is easy to apply, gives a finish that is durable and not slippery, and penetrates the pores of wood so that it is grease—and water-proof. Boiled linseed oil or a mixture of equal parts of the oil and turpentine is recommended for pine floors. See that the floor is clean, dry, and free from dust. Brush the oil on lengthwise of the grain of the wood, rub it in with a soft cloth, and wipe off any excess with a dry cloth. After the oil has dried for a few hours the floor may be polished with a weighted brush covered with a clean woolen cloth or a piece of carpet. Most floors will absorb two coats of oil.

Painted floors are easily cleaned, but paint is not a very durable finish. Water-proof varnish is easily put on and cleaned, but does not wear well under hard use.

Linoleum, plain or inlaid, is perhaps the most satisfactory covering for the kitchen floor. The linoleum should be carefully laid and cemented to the floor, and it will last longer if waxed. If it is not given a special finish linoleum should be swept with a soft brush and dusted with an oiled or dry mop. It may be cleaned occasionally with a damp cloth wrung out of suds made with a mild soap. Alkalis, strong soap, or the use of too much water will ruin linoleum.

"THAT YOU MAY KNOW"

The receipts of cattle this week have been about normal, and the demand fairly good. The market has been practically steady on steers except perhaps a little lower on the heavy kinds and strong on lighter weights, the best selling from $9.00 to $9.60 for the extreme top, medium kinds from $8.25 to $9.00, with the more common ones at $7.00 to $8.25; cows and heifers practically steady with last week's close; bushel from 50c to $1. lower; veals steady, with the top at $11.50; stockers and feeders unchanged and scarce.

We sold for individuals this week as follows:

J. W. Stahl, Baker, Kans., 36 steers, 1190 lb. average, at $9.35.

A. Anderson, Leona, Kans., 22 steers 1157 lb. acerage at $9.25.

Julius Hilt, Bern, Kan., 53 steers, 1340 lb. average, at $9.25.

J. F. Jenkins, Blockow, Mo., 24 steers, 939 lb. average, at $9.25.

C. Rogers, Fairview, Kan., 17 steers 1060 lb. average at $9.25.

E. A. Thomas, Troy, Kan., 25 steers 1148 lbs. average at $9.20.

Henry Stanton, Agency, Mo., 46 steers ,1420 lbs. average at $9.15.

Godfrey Marti, Mound City, Mo., 41 steers, 1180 lb. average at $9.00.

C. F. Pribbeno, Wauneta, Neb., 31 steers, 1177 lb. average, at $9.00.

Jno. Oltjen, Leona, Kans., 21 steers 1146 lbs. average at $9.00.

Rasser Bros., Red Cloud, Neb., 14 steers, 797 lbs. average at $8.85.

S. G. Harper, Leona, Kans., 30 steers, 1005 lb. average at $8.85.

Fred Schmidt, Fairview, Kans., 47 steers, 1020 lbs. average at $8.75.

Sam McCauley, Robinson, Kans., 66 steers, 1010 lbs. average at $8.65.

W. O. Saunders, Pickering, Mo., 19 steers, 997 lbs. average at $8.55.

C. F. Pribbeno, Wauneta, Neb., 25 steers, 1129 lbs. average at $8.50.

E. H. Divoll, Powhattan, Kan., 56 steers, 908 lbs. average at $8.35.

Ira Scharr, Pickering, Mo., 22 steers, 638 lbs. average at $8.15.

J. A. Gex, Maitland, Mo., 34 heifers 620 lbs. average at $8.65.

Ardy Redman, Maysville, Mo., 25 mixed, 730 lb. average at $8.50.

Art King, Athelston, Mo., 20 mixed 652 lbs. average at $8.40.

Bray & Weidemeier, Maysville, Mo., 30 stkrs., 612 lbs., average at $7.60.

H. Minkner, Darlington, Mo., 21 stk. cws. 1053 lbs average at $4.60.

In all, thirty-seven cars for individuals, fourteen cars for shipping associations, and twenty-two cars of mixed loads. Top on veals was $11.50, at which price we sold 444 head.

Hog receipts have been moderate, and the demand was good, movement was fairly active, with prices generally around 10c to 15c lower than last week's close; with the extreme top for lights at 14.25, which price was reached almost every day. The bulk of sales today is at $13.50 to $14.00; good heavy hogs are selling to a better advantage as compared with lights than in the past. We would advise marketing all hogs that are fat and ready for shipment.

Receipts of sheep were light, running mostly to natives, spring lambs 50c higher, with the top at $17.50, bulk at $17.00 to $17.25, clipped lambs $15.00 to $15.65. Clipped ewes were steady, top $7.50, bulk $7.25 to $7.50; choice breeding ewes, one to three years old, sold at $9.00 for top.

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Steps have been taken for the incorporation of the Saskatchewan Livestock Co-operative Marketing Association, Regina, Canada. The plans adopted provide for a contract running directly from producers to the provincial association. It is proposed to preserve as much local autonomy as possible for the Livestock shipping associations. New shipping stations will be tsablished where there is an apparent need.

Plans are being developed for a dairy pool for Saskatchewan. An association has been incorporated and a provisional board of directors selected. It is planned to secure contracts covering 4,000,000 pounds of butterfat by November 30, the date for the close of the membership drive.

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Whereas, our esteemed neighbor, Mr. E. M. Williams and family, members of Sharon Local No. 1744, are bereaved in the passing of his son Walter whose presence will be missed from our Union. Therefore be it resolved: That we, the members of Sharon Local in Johnson County, Kansas, extend our sincere sympathy to Mr. E. M. Williams and family.

And also be it resolved that a copy of this resolution be placed on our minutes and one sent to our Farmers Union paper.

Mrs. L. DeVault.
Mrs. Fannie Brown.
Committee.

RESOLUTION OF SYMPATHY

Whereas, our Heavenly Father, the Almighty ruler over life and death, has removed from our midst our faithful member and sister, Mrs. M. V. Gates,

We ,the members of Townline Local, No. 569, extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved ones.

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JEWELL COUNTY

COLLINS LOCAL NO. 630.
Fourth Wednesday. Winifred Crispin, Sec. Jewell County.

PLEASANT VALLEY LOCAL NO. 1309.
First and third Wednesday. W. T Flinn, Sec'y Jewell County.

LONE STAR LOCAL NO. 727.
Meets the first Thursday night of each month. J. W. Widrig, Sec'y.

JOHNSON COUNTY

SHARON LOCAL NO. 1744
Meets the last Friday evening of each month. Mrs. Gussie K. Devault, Sec'y.

LINN COUNTY

NINETY-SIX LOCAL NO. 1807.
Meets the second and fourth Friday of each month. Reuben Cline, Sec'y Linn County.

NEW HOME LOCAL NO. 1540.
Meets the last Monday of each month Harold Mooney, Sec'y Linn County.

PLEASANT HOME LOCAL NO. 2055.
Meets the first and third Monday night of each month. Mrs. H. C. Conrad. Sec'y Linn Co.

LOGAN COUNTY

MT. VERNON LOCAL No. 1661.
Meets the first Tuesday of each month. C. E. Bedrang, Sec

MARSHALL COUNTY

ANTIOCH LOCAL NO. 1121
Meets first and third Monday. Wm Finchan Sec. Marshall County.

BLUE VALLEY LOCAL NO. 781.
Meets second and fourth Monday Chas. Musel, Sec., Marshall County.

BREMEN LOCAL NO. 2122.
Meets every first Wednesday of each month. F. C. Pralle, sec., Marshall County.

DIST. 57 LOCAL NO. 1232.
Last Friday in each month. Mrs Ernest Branch. Sec. Marshall County.

DEER CREEK LOCAL No. 854
Meets the second Friday in each month M. C. Bothwell, Sec.

FAIRVIEW LOCAL NO. 364.
Meets the third week in each month Mrs. Delpha Burton. Sec., Marshall Co

HERKIMER LOCAL No. 1002****
Second and fourth Wednesday. Karl Rohde, Sec. Marshall County.

LILY CREEK LOCAL NO. 2138.
Meets the first and third Fridays Florence Koppes. Sec. Marshall Co.

MIDWAY LOCAL NO. 857.
Meets every first and third Tuesday of each month. Fred Griswold, Secretary

RICHLAND LOCAL NO. 968.
Meets first and third Fridays of each month. Mrs. J. C. Chase, Sec'y Marshall County.

SNIPE CREEK LOCAL No. 924.
Meets every other Friday night. Russell Cassidy, Sec.

SUNRISE LOCAL NO. 1238
Meets the first and third Thursday of each month. Hel Saathoff, Sec'y

MARION COUNTY

EAST CREEK LOCAL NO. 1466.
First Tuesday of each month. Phillip Stenzel, Sec'y. Marion County.

HARMONY LOCAL NO. 196
Meets every first Friday night of each month. J. F. Schlick, Secretary.

LOST SPRINGS LOCAL NO. 385.
Second Saturday of each month. H. D. Havana, Sec. Marion County.

PRAIRIE VIEW LOCAL NO. 2105.
First Tuesday of each month. J. H Scott, Sec'y Martin County.

MIAMI COUNTY

BLOCK LOCAL NO. 1768.
Meets second Friday of each month Wm. D. Block, Sec.

BELLEVILLE LOCAL 1192.
Meets the first and third Fridays. J. Sloan, Sec., Miami County.

BEAGLE LOCAL NO. 1678
Meets the second and fourth Wednesday. L. O. Keithly, Sec. Miami Co.

FONTANA LOCAL No. 1789
First and third Friday. W. H. Slyter, Sec. Miami County.

HIGHLAND LOCAL NO. 1669.
Meets the first and third Friday. G. W. Fort, Sec., Miami County.

HILLSDALE LOCAL NO. 1605.
Meets the first and third Thursday. R. W. Sullivan, Sec., Miami County.

INDIANAPOLIS LOCAL NO. 1677.
Meets the first and third Friday. Mrs Vedder, Sec., Miami County.

OSAGE VALLEY LOCAL NO. 1683.
Meets second and fourth Friday. Jacob Smith, Sec'y Miami County.

PLUM CREEK LOCAL NO. 1674.
Second and fourth Wednesday. Orth O. Miller, Sec'y Miami County.

ROCK CREEK LOCAL NO. 1810.
First and third Friday. S. J. Lohr, Sec'y Miami County.

SPRING VALLEY LOCAL NO. 1735****
Meets the first Friday in every month. A. C. Barricklow, Sec'y Miami County.

UNION VALLEY LOCAL 1679.
Second and fourth Tuesday. J. M. Wagner, Sec'y Miami County.

VICKERS LOCAL NO. 1667.
Meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. Dick J. Johann, Sec'y Miami County.

MORRIS COUNTY

LATIMER LOCAL NO. 1721
Meets the second and fourth evening of each month. Wm. Tatlow, Sec'y.

PLEASANT RIDGE LOCAL NO. 1902.
Meets first and third Friday. Frank Friend, Sec'y Morris County.

MCPHERSON COUNTY

CENTENNIAL LOCAL NO. 1863.
Meets the first and third Tuesday of each month. H. D. Garst, Sec'y.

COTTONWOOD LOCAL NO. 1985.
Meets first and third Friday of each month. Bessie M. Johnson, Sec'y. Pherson County.

JOHNSTOWN LOCAL NO. 749.
Meets the second and fourth Monday of each month. Adel Peterson, Sec'y McPherson County.

NORTH UNION NO. 716
Meets the second and fourth Monday of each month. Carl E. Clark, Sec'y McPherson County.

NORTH SIDE LOCAL NO. 1061.
Meets the first Wednesday of each month. Fred Sundberg, Sec'y McPherson County.

SCANDIA LOCAL, NO. 1152
Meets the first and third Thursday of each month. Melford Nelson, Sec., McPherson Co

MITCHELL COUNTY

CARR CREEK LOCAL No. 302.
Meets every other Thursday. Leonard L. Ritz, Sec.

EXCELSIOR LOCAL NO. 388.
Meets every other Wednesday. Ralph E. Hauptli Sec. Mitchell County.

LABON CREEK LOCAL NO. 479.
Meets second and fourth Wednesday F. E. Hoy, Sec. Washington County.

NEMEHA COUNTY

BOARDMAN LOCAL NO. 922.
Meets first and third Wednesday. G W. Cashman, Sec., Nemaha County.

EUREKA LOCAL NO. 911.
Meets every first and third Wednes day of each month. Nemaha County Mrs. Jacob Meisner, sec'y.

DOWNY LOCAL NO. 1127****
Meets every second Monday in the month. Herman Boeding, Sec'y Nemaha County.

EAGLE STAR LOCAL NO. 928
Meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. Fred H. Lehman, Sec'y Nemaha County.

HUNT LOCAL NO. 1107.
Meets the second Tuesday of each month. Ray Korte, Sec'y, Nemaha Co

KORBER LOCAL No. 914****
Meets first and third Tuesday. F. A Korber, Sec. Nemaha County.

LIBERTY LOCAL NO. 883****
Meets every second and fourth Wednesday. Robert Steele, Nemaha County.

PRAIRIE GEM LOCAL No. 540.
Meets the first Wednesday evening of each month. Mrs. Chas. Oplinger, Sec.

ROCK LOCAL NO. 929****
Meets the first and third Friday of each month. Mrs. J. M. Amos, Sec'y

SUMMITT LOCAL NO. 2111.
Meets the second and fourth Friday of each month. Wm. J. Wittmer, Sec'y Nemaha County.

NEOSHO COUNTY

BARNEY LOCAL NO. 869.
Meets second and fourth Friday night of each month. T. H. Roberts, Sec., Neosho County.

BROGAN LOCAL NO. 226.
Second and fourth Thursdays. I. L. Venneman, Sec.

CLEVELAND LOCAL NO. 364.
Third Tuesday. Geo J. Schoenhofar Sec. Neosho County.

ERIE LOCAL NO. 562.
Meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month. Walter J. Schumisch, Sec., Neosho County.

NORTON COUNTY

FARMINGDALE LOCAL No. 1047.
Meets the first and third Friday nights in the Union Hall, Almena, Kansas. M. M. Eichelberger, Sec.

MT. PLEASANT LOCAL NO. 956.
Meets first and third Tuesday. Mrs Grace Mustoe, Sec'y Norton County.

PLEASANT VALLEY LO. NO. 1025****
Meets the third Tuesday of each month Mrs. H. E. Norris, Sec'y Norton Co.

SQUARE DEAL NO. 923.
Each first and third Thursday of each month. Maggie Stanley, Sec'y Norton County

UNION LOCAL NO. 970.
Meets the first and third Friday of each month. Will Atkinson, Sec., Norton County.

NESS COUNTY

PRIDE LOCAL No. 1780.
Meets every second Thursday of each month. Sam Most, Sec.

OSAGE COUNTY

COOK LOCAL NO. 1645.
Meets second and fourth Thursdays Mrs. A. S. Lee, Sec. Osage County.

JUNCTION LOCAL NO. 1468.
Meets second and fourth Friday of each month Geo. P. Warren, Sec., Osage County.

SPENCE LOCAL NO. 991.
Meets the last Wednesday of each month at Limestone. John A. Martin, Sec'y Washington County.

SUNFLOWER LOCAL NO. 1051.
Meets first and third Tuesday of each month. C. W. Fincham, Secretary

SUMMIT LOCAL NO. 859.
Second and fourth Wednesday. Mrs E. H Warner, Sec'y Marshall County

PHELON LOCAL NO. 2139.
Meets second and fourth Fridays. Mrs. A. R. Phelon, Sec'y Osage County.

PLUM CREEK LOCAL NO. 1484
Meets the first Thursday of each month. Mary W. Vann, sec'y. Osage County.

PLEASANT RUN LOCAL NO 2016
District No. 93 School house three miles west of Lyndon, meets every first and third Tuesday of each month John Reis, Sec'y Osage County.

RICHVIEW LOCAL No. 2037
Meets the second and fourth Friday of each month. F. O. Bice, Sec.

VALLEY BROOK LOCAL NO. 1376
Meets the first Friday night of each month. Iva Fishburn, Sec'y Osage Co

VASSAR LOCAL NO. 1779.
First and third Thursday. Herman Wigger, sec'y Osage County.

SNIPE CREEK LOCAL NO. 924.
Meets the first and third Thursday of each month. George W. Thierer, Sec'y Pottawatomie County.

OTTAWA COUNTY

BATTLE CREEK LOCAL NO. 122.
Meets each Tuesday of the week at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Anna Shriver, Sec'y

BURNHAM LOCAL NO. 405.
First and third Thursday. F. A. Dobson, Sec'y.

MINNEOLA LOCAL No. 1228.
Meets at call of the President. B. C. Nelson.

SUMNERVILLE LOCAL NO. 1402.
Meets the first and third Thursday of each month. Edith S. Hubbard, Sec'y Ottawa County.

SLEEPY HOLLOW LOCAL NO. 462.
Meets the second and last Friday night of each month. Harry Watts, Sec'y Ottawa County.

POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY

ELBOW LOCAL NO. 1786.
Meets the second Friday of each month M. Joy Hammett, Sec. Pottawatomie County.

PHILLIPS COUNTY

PLEASANT HILL LOCAL NO. 573****
Meets every first Monday of the month at Pleasant Hill. Carl M. Boethin, Secretary.

TOWNLINE LOCAL NO. 569.
Meets the second and fourth Friday of each month W. F. Knisley, Sec'y Phillips County.

WALNUT LOCAL NO. 871.
Meets every second Tuesday of the month. Frank Walker, Secretary.

REPUBLIC COUNTY

BEAUCHAMP LOCAL NO. 720.
Meets first and third Fridays of each month. E. J. Richards, Sec. Republic County.

GRACE HILL LOCAL 1212.
First and third Friday. Homer Alkire, Sec Republic County.

LINCOLN LOCAL NO. 688.
Meets Friday on or before full moon of each month. R. M. Glenn Sec. Republic County.

ODELL LOCAL NO. 730.
Meets every first and third Tuesday in each month. H. Wilkes. Sec'y Republic County.

RYDALL LOCAL NO. 763.
Meets every second Wednesday of each month. Geo. Duncan, Sec'y Republic County.

RILEY COUNTY

ARBOR LOCAL NO. 1196.
Meets second Tuesday of the month. R. Benninga, Sec'y., Riley County.

ASHLAND LOCAL No. 1660.
Meets the second and fourth Friday of each month. John Linn, Jr., Sec.

BALDWIN CREEK LOCAL NO. 1380.
Meets every other Thursday evening Mrs. Carrie Potts, Secretary.

DEEP CREEK LOCAL NO. 1790.
Meets the first and third Friday of each month. Harry Ryan, Sec'y, Riley County.

GRAND VIEW LOCAL No. 1214.****
Meets every other Friday evening. L. D. Buss Sec. Riley County.

MARINE LOCAL NO. 643.
First and third Friday. Albert Spoeman, Sec'y Riley County.

RICE COUNTY

WALKER LOCAL No. 1473.
Meets the second and fourth Fridays H. E. Janzen, Sec.

ROOKS COUNTY

MT. VERNON LOCAL NO. 489.
Meets the first and third Tuesday. J P. Griebel, Sec'y Rooks County.

SLATE LOCAL No. 536.
Meets the first and third Wednesday of each month. Virgil McMahan, Sec.

STONE LOCAL NO. 792.
Meets the last Friday of each month Other meetings called. D. O. Marcotte, Sec'y Rooks County.

RUSH COUNTY

BANNER LOCAL No. 995.
Meets the second Wednesday evening and fourth Saturday afternoon of each month. S. G. Lewis, Sec.

SAND CREEK LOCAL NO. 804****
D Meets the first and third Friday of each month A. R. Wilson, Sec'y Rush County.

SALINE COUNTY

BAVARIA LOCAL NO. 1978.
Meets at the call of the president. C. A. Olson, Secretary.

RURAL REST LOCAL NO. 2133.
First and third Saturday. Pauline Cowger, Sec'y Saline County.

SCOTT COUNTY

MODOC LOCAL NO. 2006.
Meets the first Wednesday in each month. Mrs. E. C. Douglass, Sec'y

SHERIDAN COUNTY

CRESCO LOCAL NO. 377.
First and third Thursday. John Wolf, Sec. Sheridan county.

HEADLIGHT LOCAL NO. 378.
Meets first and third Wednesday. Ross Claire, Sec. Sheridan County.

SOLOMON VALLEY LOCAL NO. 1953
Meets the first and third Tuesday. H. M. Schrock, Sec'y Sheridan County.

STAFFORD COUNTY

LIVINGSTON LOCAL NO. 1984.
First and third Fridays, R. B. Jordan, Sec. Stafford County.

LIBERTY LOCAL NO. 1988.
First and third Fridays. R. Lawrence Wright., Sec., Stafford County.

NEW HOPE LOCAL NO. 2020.
First and third Thursday. Fred Hahn, Sec'y Stafford County.

UNION LOCAL NO. 2019.
Meets the second and fourth Friday. G. I. Brenn, Secretary.

SUMNER COUNTY

I. X. L. LOCAL NO. 1199.
Second and Fourth Tuesday. C. O Taulbee, Sec. Sumner County.

REDMAN LOCAL NO. 1624.
Meets every Thursday night at the elevator at Cicero. E. N. Burrows, Sec'y Sumner County.

TREGO COUNTY

HAPPY LOCAL No. 1006.****
Meets the first and third Tuesday of every month. G. A. Dorman, Sec., Trego County.

OGALLAH LOCAL NO. 2046
Meets on the first and third Thurs days of each month. W. A. Tawney Sec.

VODA LOCAL NO. 742.
Meets every fourth Friday. J. C Stradal, Sec'y Trego County.

THOMAS COUNTY

PRAIRIE BELL LOCAL No. 1305****
Meets second Thursday of every month E. B Werner, Sec'y Thomas County.

WABAUNSEE COUNTY

FREEMONT LOCAL NO. 2014.
First Friday in each month. A. W. Elsenmenger Sec. Wabaunsee

LONE CEDAR LOCAL NO. 1884
Meets the first and third Thursday of each month. Arnold Nehring, Sec.

MILL CREEK VALLEY LOCAL No. 1873.
Meets the first Tuesday of each month. Albert TenEych, Sec.

PAXICE LOCAL No. 1922.
Meets the first and third Monday of each month. Wm. Leitz, Sec.

PRETTY CREEK LOCAL NO. 1652.
First and third Wednesday. H. C. Mathias, Sec'y Wabaunsee CCounty.

PLEASANT RIDGE LOCAL NO. 960.
Meets the first and third Mondays of each month. Frank Sedlacek, Sec'y enthaler, Sec'y Wabaunsee County.

RIVERSIDE LOCAL NO. 2025.
Second Wednesday of each month. Mrs. Frank McClelland, Sec'y Wabaunsee County.

SUNNY SLOPE LOCAL NO. 1861
Meets the first and third Thursday of each month. C. W. Wertzberger, Sec. Wabaunsee County.

TEMPLIN LOCAL NO. 1891.
Meets the first and third Friday of each month. H. E. Kletzmann, Sec'y Wabaunsee County.

WASHINGTON COUNTY

BANNER LOCAL NO. 312.
Meets the first and fourth Tuesday of each month at 8 o'clock P. M. Anthony Wray, Sec., Washington County.

BLUE VALLEY LOCAL NO. 574
Meets every first and third Tuesday of the month. Christena Stettnisch, Sec'y Washington County.

DANE LOCAL NO. 456.
Meets the first and third Wednesday. Leslie Nelson, Sec. Washington County

EMMONS LOCAL NO. 783
Meets second Friday of each month. C. E. Wilson, Washington Co.

HERYNK LOCAL NO. 1427****
Meets the first and third Tuesday of each month. Henry Eden, Sec'y Washington County.

HORSE SHOE LOCAL NO. 1010.
Meets every first and third Friday of each month. Henry Zumbahlen, Sec'y Washington County.

ROUND HOUSE LOCAL, NO. 646.
Meets the first, third and fifth Tuesday night of each month. R. H. Yoder, Sec. Washington County.

SUNNY SIDE LOCAL NO. 1100.
Meets every first Monday in the month Fred Hindebrandt, Sec'y Washington County.

SPENCE LOCAL No. 991.
Meets every two weeks on Friday night. John A. Martin, Sec. Marshall County.

WOODSTON COUNTY

CLAY BANK LOCAL NO. 2085.
Meets every two weeks beginning with Jan. 8th, 1926. Margaret C. Saferite, Sec'y Woodston County.

MT. PISQUA LOCAL No. 2118
Meets the first Friday night of each month. C. C. Gunnels, Sec.

PUNKIN KOLIG LOCAL NO. 2084.
Meets the first and third Friday of each month. Mrs. Elizabeth Dutton, Woodston County.

PIQUA LOCAL NO. 2151
Meets the second and fourth Saturday of each month. Wm. Helman, Sec.,

NOTICE NEOSHO COUNTY

Neosho County F. E. C. U. of A. will meet on the following dates to transact all business. The second Saturday in March, June, September and December and at any special meeting called by the President or Executive Committee.

Sanford Miller, Pres.
J. O. Foust, Sec-Treas.

CRAWFORD COUNTY

Crawford County F. E. and C. U. of A. meets on the last Tuesday of each month over the union store in the A. H. T. A. Hall in Girard. E ery local elect your delegates to attend these meetings. It is to your interest.

Geo. W. Hamm, Pres.
G. W. Thompson, Sec'y-Treas.

WABAUNSEE COUNTY

The second quarterly meeting of the Wabaunsee County Farmers Union will be held at the court house at Alma on Saturday, June the 12th, at 8 o'clock, p. m. Local secretaries please notify your delegates and see to it that your local is represented.

Joe Richmond,
County Secretary.

NOTICE NEOSHO COUNTY

The second quarterly meeting of Neosho County Farmers Union will be held in the I. O. O. F. hall at Erie June 12, 1926, at 1 p. m.

Sanford Miller, Pres.
Walter J. Schumisch, Sec'y

ATTENTION!

The Second Quarterly Meeting of the Linn County Farmers Union Will Be Held At

BLUE MOUND
ON
SATURDAY, JUNE 19, 1926

Matters of Interest to All Farmers and Tax Payers Will Be Discussed

State President, John Tromble is expected to be present

H. B. COX, President
J. MONROE MARTIN, Sec'y.
Meeting called at 10:30

HAD A BIG PICNIC

Members and Friends of Herington and Latimer Farmer's Union Picnic at Kendall's Grove

Nearly three hundred members and friends of the Herington and Latimer Farmers Union enjoyed an all day picnic at the Frank Kendall grove, Sunday. For guests of honor they had President John Tromble, Vice President C. E. Brasted of the Jobbing Association and Arthur Riley of the Jobbing Association, all of Salina.

President J. W. Jones presided and introduced the speakers, all making interesting and profitable talks. Especially did President Tromble hold their attention with his summary of facts and comparisons of the "market spread" between the farmer producer and the city consumer in hotels and restaurants. Giving special point and emphasis that by the right kind of co-operation it could be reduced and the farmer get more for his crops and the consumer get his for less.

A jump up ball game between Latimer and Herington resulted in a 7 to 10 score in favor of Herington. Horse shoes found favor with many and a big basket dinner enthused them all with the enjoyment of the fine samples of everyday farm food.

VALUABLE FRIENDS

Mr. Jacob Traves, who is in the Vineyard Park Hospital at Kansas City, is improving slowly. The members of Highland local, George Vohs, Ernest Schmidt, Henry Hamlin, John Quincy, Harry Zebert, Fred and Harmon Kettler and neighbors, Joe Elliott and Edward Swensor met at Mr. Sensors farm with teams and implements and planted his crop for him.

Sec'y-Treas., C. W. Fort.

NEMAHA COUNTY

The second quarterly meeting of the Nemaha County Farmers Union will be held at Seneca, Kan., on Saturday, June 12, 1 p. m., at the City Hall. Secretaries will please select their delegate to attend this meeting.

There is arrangements made for a good program with music and good speaking on various topics, by Mr. E. E. Hazen of Hiawatha, and J. J. Gibson of St. Joseph, Mo. We hope that all members will take advantage of the opportunity and make June 12 a half holiday and come to the meeting and enjoy a few hours of pleasure. Ladies and children are especially invited.

Yours for a big meeting, I am
JOEL STRAHM, Co Sec.

NOTICE

Elsewhere in this issue of the paper, you will notice a state ent of the condition of your bank in Kansas City, Kansas, at the close of business May 20th. This is in answer to a call from the Banking Department for a statement of condition of all state banks in Kansas.

The Farmers Union State Bank is now practically two years old, and in that time the deposits have grown from $75,000 on the opening day, to $441,000; also our total resources have grown from $275.000 to over 600,000. This remarkable showing has been made with the support of a very small portion of the membership and business associations. What would be the result if even 50 per cent of the membership and business associations used their bank in Kansas City? The result in a very short while would be a financial institution capable of financing every co-operative business association in Kansas, as well as thousands of individual members.

Think this matter over. Discuss it at your local meetings. Call it to the attention of the directors of your business association. Please bear in mind that The Farmers Union State Bank is YOUR bank, and can prosper only by the individual and united efforts of the Kansas Farmers Union.

ELLIS COUNTY

The regular quarterly meeting of the Ellis County Union will be held the second Saturday in June at the court house. All locals in the county please take notice and see that your delegates attend this meeting.

There are several matters that will come up in regular order for discussion that will be of interest to all farmers, also your attention is called to other things that the farmer should have some interest in.

There is a very small minority of citizens who are just now asking the Governor to call a special session of the legislature for the purpose of passing what they call needed legislation for highways, and from press reports the Governor has signified his willingness if these men can secure 84 signatures of the members of the legislature, a campaign is to be put on to get these men to sign up, what are you farmers going to do about it: nothing as usual; until it is too late.

Another thing that should be discussed by the farmers is the political situation especially the Legislative part, what has been done at Washington and what is likely to be done for the farmer, at the present time it looks like that you will be left holding the empty sack, and the big business man will get everything he wants at your expense.

JOHN R. CHITTENDEN,
County President.

Everybody has an income of 24 hours to spend each day. Do you budget yours?

RESOLUTIONS AND GOV. PAULEN'S REPLY

Eudora, Kansas, June 2, 1926
Gov. Ben S. Paulen, Topeka, Kan.
Dear Gov. Paulen:

At the second regular quarterly meeting, consisting of delegates representing four hundred and seventy five bonifide farmer members of the Douglas County Farmers Union, the following resolutions were passed without a single dissenting vote.

Whereas: The Kansas State Chamber of Commerce requested the Gov. of our state to call a special session of the legislature to enact special road legislation:

Be it resolved: That the Douglas County Farmers Union go on record as being opposed to any such legislation, or any special session of the legislature at this time. That we are opposed to any revision in the present roads laws, which would take from the counties and townships any of the money now available thru the automobile and gas tax.

Be it further resolved: That in as much as it is setting a bad precedent for future public officials, and as we deem it an unnecessary movement, we are oposed to any future session of the legislature making an appropriation to cover the $27,000 borrowed by the present administration to carry on the work of hard surface road construction.

We trust that you will give this matter a very careful consideration before making your reply to the Kansas State Chamber of Commerce.

Hoping to hear from you relative the above issues, I am,
Very truly yours
C. C. GERSTENBERGER,
County President.

State of Kansas, Ofice of the Governor, Topeka, May 27, 1926.
Mr. C. C. Gerstenberger, Pres.,
Douglas County Farmer Union,
Eudora, Kansas.
Dear Mr. Gerstenberger:

Your letter of May 26th relative to calling a special session of the legislature received.

One of the resolution passed by your organization states that you are opposed to any future session of the legislature making an appropriation to cover the $87,000 borrowed by the present administration to carry on the work of hard surface road construction. This resolution is absolutely unfair ,as it does not include the facts as they are in any respect. We were up against te problem of the Federal Government refusing to allow a little over $2,000,000 of federal aid to the state of Kansas unless we increased the expenses of