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CORPORATIONS' DIVIDENDS INCREASE \$60,000,000 IN AUGUST

FARM RELIEF FACTS WHICH MUST BE CONSIDERED

By Charles S. Barrett

While the Farm Problem can be solved, there are certain things that are going to make solution a difficult matter. And I'm going to give you some of the reasons why the Farm Relief question is going to be difficult to work out.

In the first place, the American Farmer did not ask for this present law. In fact, practically all the American farmers were opposed to it! And they fought it bitterly for some time. The American Farm Bureau Federation, for instance, and the National Farmers' Union asked for the McNary-Haugen Bill, which included the Equalization Fee. For seven years they fought to get this bill through Congress. Many men of the organization stayed on in the capital during the entire seven-year period, devoting their time to this purpose. They stood Congress on its head during those seven years. They made scores of the fellows on the Hill jump through hoops. They made scores vote for the bill against their convictions. And they rammed it through Congress twice. But twice the president vetoed it.

The National Grange, meanwhile, was asking for the Export Debiture. For more than thirty years they had been considering this measure and for several years had actively advocated it. When the Farmers' Union was convinced it wouldn't be able to get the McNary-Haugen Bill it turned its attention to that which it considered the next best thing. This, they decided, was the Export Debiture. Likewise, the American Farm Bureau, convinced that there was little likelihood of getting the Equalization Fee, offered no opposition to the Export Debiture. And the Export Debiture became the main issue.

A large number of big -ols and commodity organizations favored the McNary-Haugen Bill, some of them working in season and out for its passage. But it is a significant fact that not one of these various farm organizations, at any time, asked for the present Farm Relief Law. It is a significant fact that they not only did not ask for it, but actively opposed it. And when the present Farm Relief law was enacted, in opposition to their wish, it further aggravated the situation.

No sooner had the bill been enacted into law than a Board was appointed. This Board went immediately to the task of laying down rules and issuing orders. This was their first step in the wrong direction. One can lay down rules and issue orders in the world of business, for in the business world such a procedure cannot help but work. One who owns or controls the business affected, can hire or fire the men to whom orders are issued. But when it comes to issuing orders to farmers—whom you CAN'T hire or fire, who are business men, who are simply making a monkey out of yourself by such an attempt. Some of the inside stories of the results of trying to do this very thing—as attested by the present Farm Board—are really pathetic, while other inside stories of such attempts never get beyond being funny.

There are farmers, of course, who

are going along with the Board. And some of these who are going along know that the Board is custodian of a tidy sum of money. They want some of it. That's the only way they can get it. That's why they're going along! And some of these boys who are getting some of the money are criticizing the Board in private. The inside story of this business is some story! I know this inside story and you will all come to learn, sooner or later, that what I say to you is true. A fair and honest statement of facts must not be construed as criticism. I know this Farm Problem can be solved. If you go about solving it in the right way, just as you can expect to solve ANY problem if you go about it in the right way.

Certainly, of all men, I want this thing to work! For twenty-seven years I have not had an interest or activity outside the farmers' cause. I have proven my loyalty to the American farmer. And he has proven his trust and confidence in me. He has trusted me, indeed, as few men have been trusted. He has the right to know the facts.

Tens of thousands of farmers throughout the United States, farmers in every nook and corner of every community are known to me by name. It is not alone their trials and hardships with which I am familiar. I know the sacrifices made and suffering endured by men who have labored in farm organizations to improve conditions for the farmer. I have seen leaders and officials carried off to insane asylums. I have known them to blow their brains out, die in despair over this very problem. For this Farm Problem has driven more leaders and officials to desperation than most anything I know of. Thousands who read this know of men who have taken hold of this problem and been destroyed by it. Thousands know men who have quit in despair. The misery it has brought upon the heads of leaders and officials cannot be exaggerated.

Some of these facts, after twenty-seven years of closest contact with every phase and activity of farm life throughout this country, it would be inexcusable, inhuman, for me to stand idly and silently by while these things are coming to pass which I KNOW are coming to pass if this situation is not met in another manner. For the Farm Problem will never be solved until the Board has started off on the right foot!

Mr. Reader, if you were to take up the study of electricity, there is no question but that you would welcome a few points on the subject from Mr. Edison. You know that he has given his life to the subject and may be expected to know what he's talking about. If you were to undertake the study of Grand Opera, how eager you would be—were he living—to listen to what Caruso had to say along this line! With what respect and eagerness would you give your attention to Padrevski or Josef Hoffman if you wanted to learn something about the pianoforte! Then why, in the name of Heaven, in this problem of Farm Relief do you not seek the advice and counsel of specialists in this field as you would in any other field, when they are to be found in different parts of this country? Why is it?

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THE PLAGUE

When the Autumn winds are sighing,
And the golden leaves are flying
Helter skelter, to and fro,
Then a horde of politicians
Claiming they are real magicians,
Fill our saddened hearts with woe.

They've been with us all the summer
And have kept us on the hummer
While our business went to pot;
But as we draw near election
There is really no protection
From this damned job hunting lot.

They will bore us with their chatter
Of the wrongs which they will scatter,
'Till our nerves are shattered through;
They will force us in a corner
And will try, like Jacky Horner,
To extract a vote or two.

They want help to grind their axes;
But if we talk lower taxes,
Their reply is left unsaid;
Without any hesitation
They agree to save the Nation
From the rocks and reefs ahead.

When election day is over,
And these fellows are in clover,
We will win the booty prize;
For if they should be elected
All our pleas will be rejected;
They won't know us common guys.

There should be an open season
On these foes to mind and reason,
With no limit to the bag;
There should be a noble bounty
Paid by Nation, State and County
On these Chewers of the rag.

A. M. Kinney.

WITH AGRICULTURE AT THE LOWEST EBB FOR TWENTY YEARS, WITH FOUR OR FIVE MILLION WORKERS UNEMPLOYED, CORPORATIONS' DIVIDENDS INCREASED SIXTY MILLION DOLLARS IN AUGUST, 1930 OVER AUGUST, 1929. IN SEPTEMBER THEY INCREASED FIFTY MILLION OVER SEPTEMBER, 1929.

Dividends for August Increase Over Last Year While Wages Are Deflated

Capital, taken in the aggregate, isn't stinting its wages any on account of hard times. Dividend payments in August of this year totaled \$447,689,154, an increase of nearly \$60,000,000 over the payments made in August, 1929.

Copper stocks, oil stocks, and tobacco stocks fell behind the procession—notably the coppers which showed dividends almost \$16,000,000 less than those of the same month last year. But these losses were more than made good by gains in other lines.

Dividends of public utilities increased a little over \$20,000,000—from \$59,696,000 in August, 1929, to \$79,737,000 last month.

Chain stores just a little more than held their own; motor dividends increased about 8 per cent; railroad dividends 1 per cent; railroad equipment dividends over 20 per cent; banking and insurance dividends nearly 50 per cent; while food and packing dividends practically doubled. They were \$12,652,000 in August, 1929, and \$24,166,000 last month.

Even allowing for the carry over from previous good times, it is clear that capital in general is not being "deflated." That is reserved for labor through unemployment. Wall Street, as one observer remarked, has adopted the motto of the Black Douglas—"Thou shalt want before I want."—Labor, organ of the railroad unions.

You will notice in this list of dividends, that packing and food dividends made the largest increase. With the prices for food products which the farmers received the lowest in twenty years, yet the middle men were able to show a large gain in profits. With the farms of the country mortgaged to the limit, and with the farmers' credit exhausted, yet the banking and insurance business increased their profits for August over fifty per cent. With average freight on a bushel of wheat amounting to one fourth of what it is worth in the terminal market, and with the railroads asking for higher rates, yet they show an increase of dividends in August of ten per cent.

There is no mention in this list of any dividends coming to Agriculture or Labor. Instead of dividends, farmers will be forced to increase their mortgages on their farms, or give chattel mortgages on their personal property in order to pay their taxes and live until they can raise another crop.

Is it any wonder that farmers are abandoning their farms? According to the U. S. Census report, there are one hundred and fifty thousand four hundred sixty-six fewer farms in the country than there were ten years ago; and these abandoned farms are not all in the eastern states as the following report on two counties picked at random in Missouri and Kansas shows.

Washington, Oct. 14.—Fewer farms and more idle acres is the story told by the census bureau figures on two typical agricultural counties in Kansas and Missouri, made public today.

In Jefferson County, Kansas, and Warren County, Missouri, the last ten years has witnessed a steady decline in the number of farms. The census bureau report finds there are 2,162 farms operated this year in Jefferson County, a decrease of 99; and in Warren County the farms now being operated number 1,195, a decrease of 230.

During the last ten years, the size of the farms in these two counties have increased only slightly. In the Kansas county the value has decreased from \$106 an acre to an average of \$68; and in the Missouri county the value has dropped from \$63 to \$38 an acre.

In both counties the number of farm owners has decreased. In Jefferson County there are 221 less farm owners and in Warren County 134. The Kansas county has 134 more tenant farmers and the Missouri county has a few less. During the last five years both counties have experienced an increase in their crop land acreage; but both counties this year have nearly 4,000 acres more of idle land.—K. C. Star.

In 1914 the farmers' share of the national income was 20%; last year it was about eight per cent. Can you see how the corporations can pay fat dividends while the farmers are forced to live off of their capital? Are the farmers like the southern negro who sat down on the railroad track, and everyone told him how dangerous it was, but he would not move; presently a train came along and he moved, when the train hit him.

The only force in the world today that can save Agriculture is a militant, class conscious farm organization. JOIN THE FARMERS UNION.

WHAT WILL THE HARVEST BE?

The Delegates to this, the twenty-fifth annual convention of the Kansas Farmers Union, were elected by their home people to come here and plan for the future welfare of the Farmers Union. You were selected because you were Farmers Union men and women who believed in your organization; you are fully aware of the conditions which confront Agriculture; you know that if something is not done to head off this juggernaut of high taxes, low prices for farm products, the political juggling of your interests and the horde of middlemen who are living comfortably and even luxuriously at the expense of the men who are producing the most necessary thing in the world, food, then our independent American Agriculture will be crushed to earth, and upon its ruins will be erected a monopolistic corporation farming system, which will destroy the foundation of our country, the independent farm homes. We come to these conventions and get all enthused and het up while we are here, and then a good many of us go home and forget all about it until we come back another year; but this kind of procedure will not solve the farm problems. We are here to sow the seed of organization among the farmers; as this seed sprouts, it must be carefully cultivated, the weeds of selfishness, personal differences, laziness, indifference and falsehoods, must be destroyed. Do not expect your State officers and organizers to do the impossible; they can come in to your neighborhood and hold meetings, but if you folks are not willing to get out and help them, they will not accomplish much. When a speaker is advertised to speak in your community, make a personal appeal to your neighbors to come out and hear him. Turn out yourselves with your wives and children.

This country is in a crisis at the present time never equalled before in its history, the next few years will tell the story of whether we shall be the hired hands of corporations, fastening upon our children and our children's children, the yoke of a bondage as terrible as the black slavery which was ended by a war that destroyed hundreds of thousands of our people; a story of whether we shall continue as a nation of free people, or whether we shall bow our necks to a plutocracy of wealth as rotten as that one which destroyed Rome, as rotten as the one which preceded the French Revolution.

Revolution is in the air today. Politicians are worried as to just where this revolt of the common people of this country will end. The country is full of unrest but it is unorganized. A revolt against the condition facing Agriculture will never get anywhere until the farmers are organized; and there is only one class-conscious, militant farm organization in this country, the Farmers Union.

A. M. Kinney.

TWO STATE PRESIDENTS VISIT KANSAS F. U. HEADQUARTERS

SALINA, Kans., Oct. 27th.—R. V. Garrod, of Saratoga, California, State President of the Farmers Union of California, was a visitor in the State Office of the Farmers Union here today. He plans to attend the State Convention of the Kansas Farmers Union in McPherson which begins October 29th. Mr. Garrod has been president of the California organization for eight years. He is also director in the California Prune and Apricot Growers' Association, which is the largest organization of its kind in the world, and is active in all branches of California Agricultural Cooperative effort which he feels will be of benefit to the farmer.

C. C. Talbot, President of the Farmers Union of North Dakota, was also a visitor here today. Mr. Talbot was enroute to attend the Farmers Union Convention at McPherson, which organization he is scheduled to address Tuesday evening, October 28th.

WAKEFIELD LEADS FIELD IN HONOR ROLL CONTEST

Ships Eight Loads to Nose Out Three Close Competitors in Tight Race. THREE HAVE SEVEN EACH

Dunlap, Mo., Erie and Gothenburg Take Second Honors. Two Tied for Third.

The Farmers Co-Op. Supply Co. of Wakefield, Kansas, is the shipping association that showed its heels to the other outfits in the September Honor Roll race. Charles Seitz is the manager of this association, and he brought it to the front in face of stiff competition. Three other associations crowded close with seven each. Wakefield had eight.

The three associations, with seven loads in during September, were Dunlap Co-Op. Assn., Dunlap, Mo., R. G. Mallett, manager; Erie Shipping Association, Erie, Pa., George Lockwood, manager; and Gothenburg Shipping Association, Gothenburg, Nebr., Paul Pogendorf, manager.

Two associations that can be depended upon to place near the top were tied for third place in the September race, with six loads each. They were the Farmers Union Live Stock Shipping Assn., Frankfort, Kansas, Glen Leopold, manager, and Lyndon Shipping Association, Lyndon, Kansas, Wm. Lyons, manager.

Three associations were her with five loads each during the month. They were the Farmers Shipping Assn., Lowry City, Mo., L. C. Cleveland, manager; Farmers Shipping Assn., Newton, Mo.; E. F. Judd, manager, and Osgood Shipping Association, Osgood, Mo., R. H. Kent, manager.

Those having four loads in for the month numbered five. They were Dennis Live Stock Shipping Assn., Dennis, Kansas, Raymond C. Kaupp, manager; Washington County Farmers Union Co-Op. Assn., Greenleaf, Kansas, Dan McArthur, manager; Farmers Union Co-Op. Assn., Holbrook, Nebr., C. L. Frack, manager; Laredo Farm Club, Laredo, Mo., Don E. Price, manager, and Randolph Farmers Union Co-Op. Assn., Randolph, Kansas, Emil Samuelson, manager.—Cooperator.

HITS AT GRAIN GAMBLING

Sam R. Thompson Puts Farm Blame on Speculators.

Over National Radio Hook-Up of the Farmers National Federation Head Pleads for Unity in Meeting Problems (By the Associated Press)

CHICAGO, Oct. 17.—Sam R. Thompson, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, today laid business depression to the "speculative system of marketing farm produce."

The first prominent agricultural leader to speak over a national radio hook-up inaugurated by the Farmers National Grain Corporation, Thompson asserted there would be no business depression if farmers had been getting a fair share of the national income for the last ten years.

"Marketing is a major feature of the program adopted by the federal government as a policy for America," he said. "It has for its purpose the stabilization of agriculture. If we will unite our efforts and wholeheartedly support this program we will be able to develop a plan of distribution that will substantially increase the income of the farmer."

"An increased income for each farm family would mean an increased prosperity throughout the nation. The (Continued on page four)

STATE OFFICERS COMPLIMENT LIVE STOCK COMMISSION CO.

All Directors Attend Board Meeting Tuesday, Oct. 20, and Find Condition Good.

WICHITA IN GOOD REPORT

Ward, Kinney, Dunn and Alkire Attend Meeting. Mr. E. E. Martz Presided.

The regular quarterly meeting of the board of directors of the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission was held in Kansas City on Tuesday, October 20, with all directors in attendance. Mr. E. E. Martz, of Adrian, Mo., presided at the meeting.

Beside the members of the board, the meeting was attended by Mr. C. A. Ward, state president of the Kansas Farmers Union; Mr. A. M. Kinney, state secretary, and Mr. Thomas B. Dunn, head of the Farmers Union Auditing Association. All three of these gentlemen are from Salina, Kansas. Mr. L. J. Alkire, manager of the Wichita branch of the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Co., was present, too.

A most interesting and gratifying report was given by George W. Hobbs, manager of the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Co. Mr. Hobbs reported the earnings of the company, and his report showed that in the face of a decided decrease of receipts of live stock in the yards, the Farmers Union firm is more than holding its own. More detailed information relative to the business done by the Farmers Union firm is shown elsewhere in this issue. Mr. Alkire's report also was well received by the directors, and showed wonderful progress.

Mr. Ward, in the course of the meeting, complimented the Farmers Union Live Stock firm on the showing it is making, and pledged the undivided support of the state organization. Mr. Kinney also made some interesting remarks that were complimentary to the organization. Mr. Dunn told the directors he was well pleased with the report of finances and of business done, and complimented the firm on the excellent manner in which the records are kept.

The directors, all of whom attended the meeting, are: E. E. Martz, Adrian, Mo., president; Wm. Lyons, Lyndon, Kansas, vice president; Alva Stryker, Blue Rapids, Kansas, secretary; J. P. DeMoss, Odessa, Mo.; J. B. George, Neosho Falls, Kansas; Orville Grim, Trenton, Mo., and L. C. Greeting, Kincaid, Kansas.

Reports from the Salina and St. Joseph branch offices of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association indicate that these points are still doing a very satisfactory business.—Cooperator.

F. U. LIVESTOCK COMMISSION COMPANY TO HAVE CHARGE OF WEEKLY F. U. HOUR

The regular weekly Farmers Union Hour, broadcast each Friday night over WIBW, Topeka, at eight o'clock, will be in charge this week of Mr. George Hobbs, Manager Farmers Union Livestock Commission Company. An interesting program is promised.

TEN LARGEST LOCALS

Oct. 21, 1930.

Fairdale	927	158
Herkimer	1002	146
Healy	1401	113
Northside	1061	82
Udall	2013	81
Banner	995	78
Kellon	1809	76
Carlton	1911	76
Quinter	1095	73
Prairie View	2105	73

* Concordia, Kans., Oct. 22, 1930.

Dear Brother Kinney:

Find enclosed report of a new local at Brantford which we organized last night, also check for \$38.25. Had a big crowd. Received letter yesterday from Mr. Ward. Also three sets of circulars, supplies, but there was no manuals in either. Wish you would send me 12 manuals at once as I expect to use some more before we leave and I have not got any. Don't know how I can organize a new local without them. Am expecting to put in a new local tomorrow night at Cottonwood school house. We will be at Miltonvale tonight and at Fortney Friday.

Yours very truly,

Wm. G. Swanson.

REDUCED RATES FOR FARMERS UNION NATIONAL CONVENTION

The railroads have granted reduced rates to the National Convention of the Farmers Union to be held at St. Paul, Minnesota, on November 18-19-20th. The reduction is on the certificate plan.

Delegates and members of the Farmers Union attending the Convention must request a certificate when purchasing ticket to St. Paul. The certificate is a special receipt. This receipt will be issued by the ticket agent and must be brought by the delegate or visitor to the Convention. This certificate will be stamped and validated by National Secretary J. J. O'Shea, and if there be so many as a total of one hundred and fifty certificates, the delegates and visitors may return for one-half fare.

Vote for the Graduated Income Tax Amendment

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SALINA, KANSAS, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1930

MONKEY FOOD

Another statement often made that is untrue is that most substitutes are purchased in manufacturing centers, by poorly paid laboring people. However, the Federal Farm Board, in a statement given out some time ago, said that 70 per cent of the butter substitutes are used in the agricultural sections and that they appear to be making a saving of \$5,000,000 per year by buying substitutes rather than butter; but that in reality, in saving the \$5,000,000, they were losing \$175,000,000 by the reduction in price of dairy products that this \$5,000,000, apparently saved, was causing. In other words, every time a purchase of five cents worth of substitutes is made, the dairy farmer is required to spend \$1.75 out of his can of cream to make up the loss caused by the five cent purchase.

TO SETTLE WORLD'S TROUBLES

The other day a friend of mine made the somewhat oratorical statement that all the troubles of the world might be settled by a universal application of the Golden Rule. Possibly he is right—nobody knows for certain because so far there has not been any general attempt to apply the Golden Rule universally, and until a theory actually has been put into practice no one can say for certain just how it will work. The Golden Rule as a generalization sounds well, but it might not be quite as universally satisfactory as one might think. Another friend of mine tells me of a man who insists on coming and visiting him. "That man," says my friend, "is trying to live up strictly to the Golden Rule. He visits me and wants me to visit him. I have lied to him on numerous occasions, telling him that I was coming to visit him when as a matter of fact I had no notion of visiting him. Now he is a good man, a good citizen, but he bores me nearly to distraction. He talks about things that do not interest me in the least. If I see him coming, I try to get away before he arrives, but if I am cornered, I listen to him patiently because I do not want to hurt his feelings. Now in a way both of us are trying to live up to the Golden Rule. He is treating me as he would like to have me treat him. He visits me and wants me to visit him. He may get a lot of satisfaction out of it but I don't. The trouble about the Golden Rule, after all, is that when you treat another as you would have him treat you, you assume that he will be pleased with the kind of treatment that you like. Well, maybe he will but just as likely as not the kind of treatment you like will not suit him at all." So according to this friend of mine this might not be an ideal world even if the Golden Rule actually were put into universal operation.—Tom McNeil in Kansas Farmer.

THE INSURANCE CORNER

By CHARLES A. BROOM, Secretary

Just at this time, the daily press is loaded with items telling of loss of life and property, caused from kindling fires with kerosene and gasoline. We have a loss in southeast Kansas now, where the man of the house attempted to do this, with the result that he and three children were burned to death and his wife and another child are in the hospital not expected to recover.

Here near Salina was a case where a young woman attempted to light a fire with kerosene, one day last week, and the result was that she too died, and was buried, Sunday. These cases are happening every day and they present a tragic and sorry spectacle. They are very serious and should be considered from the angle of loss of life, if not from the loss of property side. If you kindle fires with kerosene or gasoline, you must expect these accidents to occur to you sooner or later, no matter how careful you may be. We know you would not want YOUR family wiped out in such an accident, so we say, Beware.

During the first nine months of this year, we have made considerable progress. We have added over three million dollars to our outstanding risks. Our premium income has been \$30,000.00 more than the same period in 1929 by three thousand dollars; and the cash rebates four thousand more; commissions over three thousand more; and the balance of the notes returned

on expiration, over two thousand more. There are many more figures we could give you if you cared to have them and these will be given a few at a time, so either keep your papers or copy off the figures as given out.

THE PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

C. A. WARD

"Tis Monday noon and the plans of that which we think will be our best State convention are receiving the final touches. If the weather man furnishes us with sunshine and good roads, such as we have at Salina today, we may expect record breaking crowds at all of our sessions. I have been quite busy this morning, taking care of my mail from those who expect to be at the Convention. Already advance leaders, namely, C. C. Talbott, President North Dakota Farmers Union and R. V. Garrod, President California Farmers Union, have arrived to take care of some business in advance of the Convention.

In the arranging of the program and working out the details, we have had the most hearty cooperation of the local groups, in and around McPherson, also all of our staff here at the office, for which we are very grateful, especially so in face of the fact that this is my first attempt in the arranging of a program of such gigantic proportions. When these notes reach our readers, the Convention will be in full swing and with the array of speakers of the program from the various sections of the country, we may expect the various questions of public import to be discussed from all of their various phases. And in all probability there will be ENOUGH SAID.

We ask you to listen in from 2:30 to 4:30, Wednesday afternoon, October 29th, over WIBW, Topeka and if you don't like what we say, will you kindly tell us about it. May the Farmers Union program forge ahead and may every member who loves the organization, be loyal to the Cause, and carry on.

ELECTION, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4th.

Whom will you vote for? Take your choice, Haucke, Woodring, Brinkley. But think seriously before you vote. It is not a question that should be considered lightly. You have the record that is back of these three men. Your intelligence is average, or better, and vote for men, whom you will know are, at least, honest and upright citizens. There are a lot of things I would like to say but it would not be wisdom on my part at this time, being President of your organization.

But remember, you have a right to speak up, so any and all of you who are of voting age, go to the polls on next Tuesday and vote.

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES

MINNEOLA LOCAL NO. 1228

FRANKLIN CO. TAKE NOTICE

At our last regular meeting it was voted to change our meeting date from Tuesday to Friday evening, Nov. 7 on account of election. Plans were also made to have our annual rabbit hunt.

Claud Myers, Donald Steward and George Shuler were appointed on committee on rabbit hunt. Mrs. Oscar Deaton was made chairman of committee on program and refreshments for the next meeting. The following were elected delegates to our County Union: M. S. Steward, Ezra Shuler, Otis Shippis, C. A. Myers, G. W. Nelson, Donald Steward, Chas. Elm, B. C. Nelson.

Owing to the condition of the roads, some that were to take part in our program were not present, but we were entertained by some readings by Mr. Orville Nitcher and a nice talk by Mr. J. F. Staadt, which was well enjoyed by all. Ice cream and cake was then served and a good social time followed. Ladies are requested to bring a pumpkin pie and a dozen doughnuts to next meeting.

B. C. Nelson, Pres.

TEMPLIN LOCAL

The regular meeting of Templin Local No. 1891 was held October 3. Meeting was opened by singing several songs in our union song book.

After the regular business meeting, we were entertained by several contests, which caused much merriment. Three prizes were given. Two were won by Harold Bock, the other by Margaret Godwin.

The lunch of sandwiches, pumpkin pie topped with whipped cream, and coffee was served.

Mrs. Albert Zecker, Mrs. W. C. Kietzner, Mrs. J. W. Bredow, and Mrs. Frank Thoes are the entertainers for November 1st meeting.

Mrs. G. H. Johnson, Reporter.

NORTH STAR FARMERS UNION

The North Star Farmers Union met Friday evening, October 17, with a good attendance. Meeting was opened by singing "America." W. T. Buckle, chairman of program committee, then took charge.

Violin solo by Leona Gerdes, accompanied at the piano by Jananne Briles.

General discussion of the graduated income tax question by Harve Crawford and W. T. Buckle.

Report was given by chairman of the North Star Fair Booth committee, Mrs. Herve Prentice.

A vote of thanks was given to Mrs. W. T. Nelson and Mrs. Herve Prentice and other workers on the Fair booth.

As Mrs. Nelson had given 50 or more exhibits for the booth the Union voted to give her five dollars for the exhibits.

Mrs. Nelson extended thanks for same.

Report was given from County meeting at St. John by Mr. Vice and Buckle that the first Buxter meeting of the winter would start Nov. 21, the guests of Liberty Local.

All were urged to attend Mr. Adams Puffer's of Boston, Mass., meetings in Stafford this week. He is a national figure in vocational guidance work.

Meeting adjourned and all passed to the basement where refreshments were served during the social hour.

Next meeting will be held on our regular meeting night, Oct. 24, with same refreshment and program committees in charge.

Mrs. Herve Prentice, Reporter.

ANDERSON COUNTY

UNION NOTES

The Anderson County Farmers Union met Tuesday evening, October 4th, at the Mt. Zion schoolhouse with the Mt. Zion Local acting as host. This was the first attempt Mt. Zion has made to entertain the county Union since they began meeting with the Locals.

The roads were muddy but there was a crowd that taxed the capacity of the building and seats ran out before the meeting started but the Union folks are a jolly bunch and did not seem to mind.

The program consisted of readings, songs and instrumental music.

Sisters Carnes, Badders and Campbell had charge of arranging the program and those taking part were Wilbur Haughty, Mrs. Ray Johnson, Mr. Jess Glasgow, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. Haughty, Mrs. Carnes and Mr. Henry Woodruff.

Mt. Zion's famous left-handed violinist, and Miss Wallen and Mr. Badder. The program was well rendered. After the program about all the candidates that could crowd in, introduced themselves with short speech-

es. Mr. U. S. Guyer made a 15 minute speech. So you see even the Washington guys hunt the schoolhouses looking for the Farmers Union. How they all love us near election time. Mr. William Varman was elected delegate to the convention and Mr. John Anderson, our worthy county president, the alternate. Mr. Anderson was sent as a delegate last year. Mr. Post, the secretary, was nominated as were several others, but Mr. Post declined saying he could not go because it was press day. Mr. Post is editor of two papers at present.

Next meeting will be in Kincaid, Kans., at City hall, by invitation of Kincaid. Everybody come. Date announced later.

We neglected to say that the Mt. Zion ladies served delicious home-made ice cream and the ladies of the other locals cakes. The ice cream was excellent and the cakes were superb. The Ladies Auxiliary held a short session at the close of the meeting. Take it all in all, it was a grand meeting.

Mary Campbell, County Correspondent.

RESOLUTION FOR SMOKY HILL LOCAL

Whereas an emergency now exists that demands immediate relief which since many of the farmers are being forced to give up their homes owing to the low price of agricultural products and

Whereas Congress at its last session passed the Agricultural Marketing Act for the specific purpose of aiding farmers toward placing agriculture on an equal basis with other industries, and

Whereas the present policy of the Farm Board is inadequate to meet this emergency and

Whereas, any article manufactured in the United States bringing a higher price in this country than abroad owing to the tariff on it which amounts to the same as a subsidy on the United States consumers.

Therefore, in order to put agriculture on an equal basis with other industries and commodities, be it resolved that President Ward and Sec. Kinney together with other presidents and secretaries of State Farmers Unions use their utmost influence on the Federal Farm Board, in the first place, to never again offer to the United States trade, regardless of price, the wheat now held by The National Grain Corporation, and in the second place The Farm Board through The Stabilization Corporation shall sell this wheat for 42c per bushel below the current United States market and further that it purchases what ever additional wheat which may from time to time be necessary in order to keep the United States market forty-two cents per bushel above the world market.

Be it further resolved that these resolutions be printed in the Kansas Union Farmer.

The above resolutions were adopted by the Smoky Hill local at its meeting on Oct. 13th and by the North Side local at its meeting Oct. 15th, 1930.

Carl Gabrielson
Herman Bengtson
David Frain
J. J. Morris
R. W. Melander.

Committee.

DISTRICT CO-OPERATIVE OIL MEETINGS SUCCESSFUL

Seven States Represented and Much Interest Shown in Holding Future Meetings.

The series of four cooperative oil meetings sponsored by the Union Oil Company proved to be very valuable and interesting meetings for those present. A large number of cooperative oil companies were represented, some of these by the manager and several members of the Board of Directors. Some of those who attended the first meeting held at Aberdeen, South Dakota, drove as far as 250 miles to attend. At the second meeting held in North Kansas City, Mo., cooperative companies from four states were represented. Those who attended this meeting had the privilege of visiting the offices and the manufacturing plant of the Union Oil Company which are located in North Kansas City. This afforded an opportunity to see just how Union Certified motor and tractor oils are made. The third and fourth meetings were held at Keeney, Kans., and McCook, Nebraska. A large and enthusiastic bunch of cooperators attended these meetings. Everyone present was eager to grasp the new plans and ideas which were discussed, and which had proven to be successful for other companies.

Discussions Receive Much Interest. The keenest of interest was manifested in every subject, from "The Truck Drivers Part in Building a Successful Cooperative" to "General Market Conditions." Even though the meetings were not adjourned until late hour, those present were reluctant to leave these "melting pots of constructive ideas." Among the discussions which seemed to receive the most general interest were those on the Credit Situation. Manager Chase of the Cooperative Oil Company of Bertrand, Nebraska, created a lot of interest when he explained the meth-

od he uses in his collections. He explained that the delivery ticket he uses is in the form of a draft. He signs this ticket for his customer at the time he makes delivery. He leaves a duplicate copy for the customer and deposits the original in the bank after he endorses it on the back. Mr. Chase stated, "I have never lost a penny since our company started using this plan four years ago. I have had only one of these drafts returned and collected for it in full." He stated further that he has an agreement with each customer to leave whatever gasoline, kerosene, or oil they need when his truck calls at the place.

Future Meetings Planned. There was so much demand for holding meetings similar to these in the future, that it was generally agreed a similar series of meetings would be held soon after the first of the year. It was the expressed opinion of those present that in view of the good gained from these meetings, they were worth far more than the

CO-OPERATIVE STORE FREE OF ALL DEBT

"Mortgage Burning" Last Night Found Business Here in Its Most Prosperous State

That the entire debt against the Norton County Cooperative Association store in Norton had been paid off on October 1 was the exceptionally interesting announcement which was made to about 225 stockholders and friends of the organization last night in a meeting called in the American Legion hall by Russell Fowler, secretary-manager of the association. The announcement followed a bountiful lunch furnished by the store and served by the ladies of the Legion Auxiliary at 8 o'clock. The vast amount of food which was placed before the group was far in excess of the appetites and the unfortunate families in the community today received "Santa Claus" baskets from the association.

The cooperative society was formed in 1914 and for three years was in business in a building on the lots now occupied by the Heaton buildings at West Washington and First avenue. The early years were fairly good and the organization in the spring of 1917 moved into the spacious building it now occupies on South First. The large debt and the financial struggle was a great handicap, however, and at numerous times it appeared that the effort might end in failure. Association directors and officers, however, by careful management in recent years and with the generous support of stockholders and friends was rewarded last month, when the last dollar of indebtedness was retired and the association now is in healthy financial condition in a period during which many business establishments everywhere are in opposite circumstances.

Mr. Fowler, who has been secretary-manager since January 1, 1928, complimented the stockholders and directors of the association for the diligence they had shown in cooperating to make the business venture successful. He likewise praised the business men and firms of orton as a whole for the fine spirit of friendship shown for the store. Speakers who followed also warmly praised the association for its fine record and its recent achievement.

Members of the board of directors were presented by Mr. Fowler. They were O. D. Hershiser, president, Frank Bryant, vice president, Frank L. Gleason, L. O. Mustoe, W. G. Dobbie and Mr. Frame. George Brown and George Drommer are directors but were unable to be present.

At the conclusion of the evening, employees in the store were presented. They are Ed Rapp, Ernest Bright, Charles Cecil, Elmer Bryant and Miss Verla Persinger.—Norton Daily Telegram.

STORAGE STOCKS OF BUTTER, POULTRY AND MEATS BELOW FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE

Total cold storage holdings of creamery butter, poultry, meats, and lard on October 1 were less than holdings on October 1 a year ago, and below the average holdings on that date for the past five years, according to the cold storage report issued today by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Stocks of creamery butter on October 1 are reported at 130,753,000 pounds compared with 158,541,000 pounds on October 1, 1929, and a five-year average of 134,704,000 pounds on that date. Total holdings of frozen poultry are given as 46,912,000 pounds compared with 61,976,000 pounds last October 1, and a five-year average of 47,574,000 pounds.

The quantity of meats in storage is reported at 592,704,000 pounds compared with 732,556,000 pounds a year ago, and an October 1 five-year average of 644,459,000 pounds. Lard stocks show a marked difference in that holdings on October 1 were 59,530,000 pounds compared with 153,690,000 pounds last October, and a five-year average of 115,188,000 pounds.

Holdings of case eggs are reported at 9,163,000 cases compared with 7,195,000 cases a year ago. There was 496,000 barrels of apples in storage October 1 compared with 735,000 barrels a year ago; 1,956,000 boxes of apples compared with 301,000 boxes last year, and 1,800,000 bushels of apples compared with 1,793,000 bushels last year. Frozen and preserved fruits in storage aggregated 80,731,000 pounds on October 1 compared with 61,348,000 pounds a year ago.

BREAD AND BUTTER CAMPAIGN

The flour millers and the bakers are conducting campaigns to increase the use of bread, and a new campaign is also contemplated by the creameries to increase the use of butter. The two campaigns should go well together.

cost of attending. The series of meetings were sponsored by the Union Oil Company, but were not Union Oil Meetings. Many companies were represented which are not distributors of Union Certified, but were all interested in the future policies of the Co-operative Oil Movement, and were practically unanimous in their ideas along that line. There were also a number of Cooperative leaders from communities where cooperative oil companies were not operating at the present time. Without exception they expressed determination to complete the organization of their companies as soon as possible. It was evident to these leaders that the sooner they began operating the sooner they would be in position to render a service to the consumers of petroleum products in their community. This included representatives from several Farmers Elevators which are now operating bulk stations.

Reduced Prices Announced. Reduced prices on Union Certified

Cooperative Oil Companies and other Cooperative Associations in perfecting their organizations.

4. Whereas, we feel the discussions brought out in this meeting have disseminated information and brought encouragement to every individual oil company represented, showing strongly the benefits of becoming linked up with the Union Oil Company. And further whereas, we regard their meeting called by the Union Oil Company of such value to the Cooperative movement as a whole we recommend that they call another and similar meeting soon after the first of the year.

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unanimously adopted at each of the meetings:

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2. We further recommend that inasmuch as Old Line dealers of every kind practice methods and do all possible to discredit and break down the co-operatives, that we feel cooperative businesses, companies and associations of all kinds, should stand solidly together, one adding support to the other. Further, we heartily endorse the efforts of the Union Oil Company in its program of a National organization and pledge our support to that end.

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Vote for the Graduated Income Tax Amendment



Junior Co-operators by Aunt Patience

HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THIS DEPARTMENT

Any boy or girl between the ages of six and sixteen, whose father is a member in good standing of the Farmers Union, who writes a letter for publication, can be a member of this department, and is entitled to a pin. In order to receive a book, he must signify his intention to study the lessons in and send them in. We cannot send out books to those who do not intend to study their lessons. The address to which all Juniors should send their letters is: Aunt Patience in care of the KANSAS UNION FARMER, Salina, Kans.

Dear Junior Co-operators:

Some of you haven't sent the last lesson in—you should get it in as soon as you can, for we're going to have another one very soon. And don't forget the rule—put your name and address on each sheet of your lesson—then we won't have any trouble with mislaid pages, and so on.

We're having quite a few new members this week—and we have letters from a good many more, which we're going to print as soon as we have space. But I miss the old members when I don't hear from them—we're all anxious to know how you're getting along—make a pre-New Year resolution right now, all of you, to write a letter to this department, before Christmas.

I'm going to attend the convention at McPherson this week—and I'll tell you about it in next week's letter.

Aunt Patience.

Codell, Kans.

Sept. 31, 1930.

Dear Aunt Patience: I am sending in another letter to let you know that I will get a star because Sybil's letter is also going to join your Club. I still like it in school. Last time I said I would tell you the name of my books. They are: Reading, Arithmetic, Government, Agriculture, Spelling and Our English. I like reading the best of all. Well, I have to close. Hoping to get one star more for asking her to join, she is also one of our schoolmates. Then I will have seven stars. I am still ahead of the rest. Goodbye. Amelia Miller.

Dear Amelia: I'm so glad you've won another star—keep it up. I believe I always liked Reading best, in school, too. Why don't you Junior Co-operators who attend the same school, get together and have a meeting? You could study your lessons together—the ones which appear on our Page, I mean—have officers, and so on. I think this would be fun—let me know what you think.

Aunt Patience.

Ellsworth, Kans.

Oct. 5, 1930.

Dear Aunt Patience: How are you? I am well. Hope you are the same.



6945. Ladies' Dress
Cut in 5 Sizes: 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure. To make the Dress with the Cape, in a 38 inch size requires 5 1/2 yards of 39 inch material. Without the Cape 4 1/2 yards. The Cape alone requires 1 yard. To make cape, collar, tie and belt of contrasting material requires 1 1/2 yard 39 inches wide, cut lengthwise. Price 15c.

6557. Girls' Dress
Cut in 4 Sizes: 8, 10, 12 and 14 years. A 12 year size with long sleeves requires 3 1/2 yards of material 39 inches wide. With short sleeves the material will be 1/2 yard less. For collar and belt of contrasting material 1/2 yard is required 32 inches wide. Price 15c.

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Ladies Auxiliary Pins 50c

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school work. Our German police pup is now five months old and weighs 50 pounds. If that is not your picture, whose is it? I am almost a twin to Isabelle Herman. Her birthday is August 30th and mine is August 31st. Well, goodbye and good luck, Aunt Patience and Juniors. Yours truly, Mary Churchbaugh.

Dear Mary: No, you're not too late with your lesson—I hope I'm not too late with my answer? My goodness! Your pup weighs a great deal for such a young dog, doesn't he? I don't know whose picture that is—perhaps I'll use mine soon, as you have all asked me to. You and Isabelle can adopt each other as a "twin," since you can't find one with exactly the same birthday date. Then, if later one of you find an exact "twin," you can all be triplets. So write to each other soon.

Ransom, Kans.

Oct. 11, 1930.

Dear Aunt Patience: My brother Vernon has joined your Club so I would like to, too. My father and mother are both members of the Farmers Union. I am in the fourth grade. I like school fine. I am nine years old. My birthday is February 17th. Please send me a pin. Your friend, Mildred Stultman.

Dear Mildred: I'll be glad to send your pin and book and I know you'll send the lessons each month. Write us again soon.

Aunt Patience.

Codell, Kans.

Sept. 30, 1930.

Dear Aunt Patience: I received my pin and book and think it's very nice. I like to go to school. I am in the fifth grade. I haven't found my twin yet. I will send my lesson as soon as I can. It was sure windy out here the last three days. Well, I must close for tonight. Hoping to hear from you soon, I am, yours truly, Alfred Rohleder.

Dear Alfred: I'm fine, too, thanks and I'm so glad you liked the book and pin. You must keep waiting for your twin. I'm sure you'll find one soon. I'll expect your lesson soon—please write again.

Aunt Patience.

Alma, Kans.

Sept. 3, 1930.

Dear Aunt Patience: How are you? I am just fine. I haven't written for a long time so thought I would write. My birthday was May 12th. I was 16 years old. I have to be in the 16 years old. Won't I be an honorary member? I will close for this time. Your niece, Maebelle Fink, Route 3, Box 40.

P. S. I am sending my letter with my little brother's. He is sending in his lessons.

Dear Maebelle: I was awfully glad to hear from you. Yes, you've become an honorary member now, but you should read and study the lessons carefully, anyhow. I think all of our young ones, like myself, can learn a whole lot from our lessons. But even honorary members must write us occasionally, so we won't forget each other.

Alma, Kans.

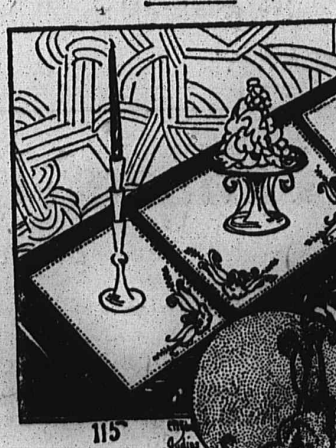
Sept. 8, 1930.

Dear Aunt Patience: I am sending in three lessons, June, July and August. I hope they won't be late. I am going to school now, as my school started September 1st. I go to Miss Goodwin. I ride my little pony to school. His name is Dan. My birthday is April 23rd. I will be 8 years old. I will close for this time. Your friend, Kenneth Fink.

Dear Kenneth: No, your lessons aren't too late. What grade are you in, in school? How far do you live from school? Watch for your twin carefully and be sure to write me when you find one.

Aunt Patience.

BUFFET SCARF SET



The Buffet scarf divided into three mat-like pieces is a justly popular plan, well adapted to the formal placings used on side-boards such as a large compote, flanked by candlesticks or an urn by bisymmetrical bowls.

The Buffet scarf set we offer is on natural linen, two pieces each 9 by 12, and a center one 18 by 12. The design is of conventionalized grain heads with an interlacing stem that button-hole stitches around to make small cut work areas.

The set of three stamped pieces on linen with instructions is number 115. This set is readily worked in simple chain, button-hole and outline stitches using a dark brown and caramel tan three strand. Two skeins of dark and one of light six strand may be ordered as 115T for 10 cents. The set may be finished with a narrow lace edge or just a hand-done hem.

115 Three Stamped Pieces on Linen \$ 50
115T Three Skeins of Thread \$ 10



COOPERATIVE OIL NEWS

BY
HOWARD A. COWDEN,

"Goodland Kansas Will Have New Cooperative Bulk Plant"

The Board of Directors of the Equity Exchange at Goodland, Kansas, have decided to purchase a bulk station equipment and also a bulk oil station in connection with one of their Farmers Elevators. This action was taken after the Board Members and other leaders, had made an extensive investigation of the profits being made by other Elevators on their bulk stations. The Elevator at Goodland has been very successful and have to their credit a record of splendid service to their members. By adding this new line to their already efficient organization, they are putting themselves in position to render even greater service to their members. They expect to order complete Union Bulk Station equipment very soon, and will be ready to take care of their large spring business. They will be distributors of Union Certified products.

Another Member in the Northwest

The Equity Exchange at Selby, So. Dakota, have recently become a member of the Union Oil and distributors of Union Certified products. This is the second new member added to the National Chain since the district Cooperative Oil meeting held in Aberdeen. The Selby Equity Exchange is one of the outstanding successful equities in that part of the country. Their June 30, 1930, financial statement shows a paid in capital of \$29,275 and surplus and undivided profits amounting to \$42,980.69. The operation of their bulk and service station for four months show a net profit of \$3,777.94.

California Tourist Buys Union Certified

A tourist from California carrying a 50 gallon barrel of gasoline with him in his car filled up with Union Certified at a Missouri Cooperative station a few days ago. He also filled the 50 gallon barrel and at the same time inquired as to the location of other Union Certified stations indicating that he expected to make a good portion of his journey on Cooperative gasoline.

We Want to Save Money On Gas and Oil

We are receiving numerous inquiries from communities where there is no Cooperative Oil Company asking for full information about the organization and operation of such companies. One Farmers Union Elevator in western Kansas which has not operated a bulk station in the past would not be long until they expected to be operating a bulk station. To this statement he added, "and when we do we will be distributing Union Certified."

Large Shipments Low Cold Test Oils

Since the Union Oil Company announced a short time ago that Union Certified motor and tractor oils now have a zero cold test they have shipped a very large volume of these oils. Besides three car load shipments there have been many local shipments.

Getting Ready for Winter

A number of Cooperative Oil Companies have begun to place their orders for anti-freeze products and 1930 shipments of Union Certified alcohol and glycerine have begun to move. These managers are going to be ready for the first freezing of winter.

Past the Million Gallon Mark

"We have passed the million gallon mark with a total of a million gallons of Union Certified products since the first of last October," is what H. L. Divine, manager of the Cooperative Oil Company, Garden City, Kansas wrote us a few days ago. This is a tremendous volume and has proved the quality of Union Certified as well as the splendid service being rendered by the Cooperative Company at Garden City to its members.

Leading Publication Has Union Oil Company (Cooperative) Article

A current issue of the National Petroleum News contains an interesting article about the Union Oil Company, Cooperative. The National Petroleum News is one of the leading oil publications of the country, and those connected with this Company are proud to have the article run in this class of publication.

The article sets out the Cooperative features of the Union Oil Company and quotes figures indicating the rapid growth made by the Company since it began operating. It devotes considerable space to the general setup of the Company, and to the plan of organization and operation of the local Cooperative companies which are working with the Union Oil Company.

A good picture of the compounding plant and the offices of the Company in North Kansas City, Missouri, are run in connection with the article. The Union Oil Company are distributors of Union Certified Products in advance what his requirements are in this territory as well as in several surrounding states.

OUR COMPLETE LINE OF Stock and Poultry Feeds

Enables our dealers to order in car load lots without having to overstock on any particular product. Check up on your present stocks and send us specifications on your next shipment.

Prices are lower than they have been for some time. Let us also quote you on car load lots of Oyster Shell, Tankage, Linseed Meal, Meat Scraps, Cottonseed Products, etc.

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The Farmers Union Jobbing Assn.

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915 United Life Building Branch Offices Salina, Kansas
1004 Corby Building St. Joseph, Mo.



OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

WHAT SHALL WE EAT?

The School Lunch

From seven o'clock in the morning until six o'clock in the evening—11 hours—the school lunch is all most school children have to eat. From the standpoint of health, the lunch is as important as any other meal.

A well-balanced, adequate lunch may be made of sandwiches, fruits, vegetables, milk, and a dessert, and, preferably, a surprise. Fruits make excellent desserts. Without them, the lunch becomes monotonous. Oranges, apples, pears, or bananas are easy to carry. Fruits not only give variety to a lunch; they are a valuable source of roughage, vitamins, and minerals as well.

Vegetables such as tomatoes, lettuce, and celery are well adapted to the lunch box. A raw tomato is a good substitute for an orange. Canned tomatoes, cooked and seasoned after removal from the can, and string beans and peas make pleasing additions. Canned jelly glasses, mayonnaise, jam, or other glass jars make good containers for vegetables.

Milk may seem a difficult food to pack. Children usually enjoy carrying milk in half-pint milk bottles fitted with paper caps. A gross of these caps may be bought for a small sum; in some schools they are purchased cooperatively. Add a paper straw or two so the necessity of carrying and spilling is avoided, and drinking or sipping milk becomes as enticing as a soda fountain. This is especially true if a little malted or chocolate malted milk is sent for variety.

Variety in the lunch is insured, too, by the use of cookies, plain cake, gingerbread, wafers, and baked custards. A surprise each day, such as a few pieces of candy, raisins, dates, nuts, or a salad, adds much to the delight of the school lunch. By changing the sandwiches daily and the dessert often, one can keep the lunch from becoming monotonous.

THE WINTER BOUQUET

No Kansas woman need have a dull corner in her home, says Miss Dor-

othy Barfoot, instructor in the department of art, K. S. A. C. There are grasses tinted with beautiful shades of purple and red. Arranged in a tall vase with dried corn in a corner, they add an element of brightness that is very welcome on a dull winter day.

No gilded paint or tinsel can equal the natural colors of wahoo or buckbrush or bittersweet. The long, graceful bittersweet vines in the fall, like the northern states' trailing arbutus in the spring, are most prized by those who find them hardest to secure. The old brown bean jar makes a most satisfactory container for the bright orange bittersweet. It is a rival in a dull green or blue jar filled with rose hips.

No expensive vases are needed to give background for the winter bouquet. Gray-green butter bowls, brown jam jars, an old "crockchurn" for the tall cattails with their leaves; baskets of bittersweet or grasses. Some of the grains are as pretty as flowers: kafir, milo, maize, fetterita, or the more grasslike millet—all are adaptable for winter decorations that should be changed often to give pleasure in the variety and to keep a fresh, looking bouquet instead of a dusty, past-generation look such as Christmas decorations present.

There are some beautiful seed pods, too, beautiful in themselves without the need of paint or gilding. Of these one might mention milkweed, Kansas gray-feather, Pope's wild, wild carrot seeds, oak branches with acorns and leaves, some of the thistles, and some of the nuts.

Baskets of fruit are ornamental in other places than store windows, but their use is more limited than the native grasses and seeds which may be well used to add a touch of color and brightness in any room. Why not take some of the trips to the woods and to the supply of materials for a winter bouquet, or, rather, many changes of colorful home decorations?

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FARM RELIEF FACTS WHICH MUST BE CONSIDERED

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that when you are attempting to make a success of THIS question you don't want, you won't accept the word of men who may be expected to know what they are talking about? You don't need it, you say. You know all about Farm Relief! And that is one of the most discouraging aspects of the entire situation. There are so many folks who KNOW ALL ABOUT IT, when it comes to Farm Relief, that there sometimes seems little hope of getting their attention long enough to give them the knowledge and observations that experience in this field should make, at least, worthwhile.

Consider, if you please, the great strides that have been taken. In your own lifetime, in the fields of medicine, science, manufacturing. What progress has marked their history! Yet not one of these could exist without the farmers, without the farmer's efforts to sustain the world. Yet the industry of the farmer—who is engaged in the most ancient and necessary of all callings—has steadily retrograded, while those industries he nourishes have gone steadily forward. Why is it that today the honorable and indispensable industry of agriculture is no longer profitable, and the farmer who engages therein is an individual in distress?

There is this important thing to remember—the farmer is not altogether to blame.

The question CAN be solved. And for the good of all of us, it had BETTER be solved! The safety of the Republic itself is involved. For it is in the small farm home, owned by the humble farmer, that the soundest devotion to our government institutions is bred. It is the army of small farm home-owners that can be relied upon in times of stress, depended upon in national emergencies. For the farmer is at heart a conservative. He is the least radical of all men, notwithstanding reports to the contrary. It is easy to understand this conservatism. He does not want any government to own him, his business or his home. He wants to be an industrious and independent citizen. Therefore he does not welcome those radical policies which threaten his tranquility of mind or security of status.

On the other hand—and herein lies the danger—when this most conservative member of society is once stirred up—look out! Like any other conservative who once kicks over the traces, he throws discretion, good judgment and those restraining forces he would have preferred to exercise, to the four winds. I have seen the farmer on the war path more than one time. From the most conservative member of society I have seen him right about-face and reform in a manner to strain the credulity of those who are less familiar with the heart and mind and soul of him than I am.

I say to you, that as sure as you live there is grave danger in having too many citizens without homes they can call their own. That condition is rapidly developing.

I have never spoken more sincerely, more feelingly than I do now. As I travel about the country, north, south, east, west, I am confronted with such statements as this: "Barrett, we gave you farmers five hundred millions. In the name of God, what more can do for the farmer?"

Oh, the injustice of such an assertion! For generations to come the American farmer will bear the burden of it. The American people will want to know what he did with the \$500,000,000 they thought was turned over to him for a solution of his difficulties. Now, when all the years I have striven and labored in the farmers' cause, point to one inescapable conclusion, I cannot be expected to remain silent. There is due sorrow and heart break, misunderstanding, bitterness, disaster, UNLESS the Farm Board recognizes before it is too late that theirs is a sacred obligation, going far beyond the limitations of a cold-blooded, hard and fast, commercial enterprise; UNLESS the Farm Board comes to see that this present situation involves something more than laying down rules and issuing orders, loaning money and collecting interest. You may brush aside lightly these truths I am telling you, if you will. But—even as certain situations which I predicted not long ago came to pass—these things will result if a step is not taken soon in the right direction. I speak from the very depths of my heart. I owe a debt to the farmers of this country which no money on earth can ever pay. I hold the trust and confidence of those farmers. It is this which urges me to say—that while this Farm Question is dangerous to whatever administration is in power, it is dynamite, it is T. N. T., it CAN be solved. It had BETTER be solved! For the very safety of the Republic depends upon that solution.

HITS AT GRAIN GAMBLING

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final result, then, of carrying out this marketing program will help bring prosperity to agriculture and in bringing prosperity it will bring contentment to farm people, stabilize the industry and establish in business and industry generally a new confidence. Defending the federal farm board, he said: "We must not overlook that real progress has been made by the board. The Farmers National Grain Corporation, which was the first to get under way with farm board backing, has proved the ability of a farmer-owned and farmer-controlled marketing agency successfully to market the farmers' grain."

AGRICULTURAL BRIEFS
When frost kills the tomato vines they may be hung up in a protected place to ripen the green fruit still on them.

Total stocks of meats, frozen poultry, and creamery butter in cold storage, Sept. 1, are reported in smaller volume than on the same date a year ago. Stocks of case eggs show an increase.

In spite of low prices for dairy products, the present trend in the number of milk cows in the country as a whole seems to be distinctly upward,

according to the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, U. S. D. A.

MacTight—Dr ye think I will pull through, Doc?
Dr. MacFee—Weel, Sandy, if I were you I would nae get more'n half a bottle of medicine this time.

You can't amass a battling average without going to bat.—Elbert Hubbard II.

If you can't boss yourself, you have to pay someone else to do it for you.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

No. 9 (L. 1929, Ch. 207)

A proposition to amend section 3, article 2, of the constitution of the state of Kansas, and fix the remuneration of members of the legislature at five hundred dollars for each biennial term and one hundred dollars for each special session held during said term, and mileage of fifteen cents per mile in going to and returning from the place of meeting.

Whereas, the state of Kansas has greatly increased its population and wealth since the adoption of its present constitution, and the cost of travel and living has increased until the remuneration of members of the legislature as fixed in the constitution adopted in 1892 is not sufficient to meet the actual living and traveling expenses of members while in attendance upon the sessions of the legislature, and it is deemed proper to submit to the voters of the state of Kansas a proposition to amend the constitution and increase such remuneration to an amount sufficient to defray the actual necessary expense of the members while in attendance upon the legislature; now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas, the House of Representatives concurring hereinafter:

Section 1. The following proposition to amend the constitution of the state of Kansas is hereby submitted to the qualified electors of said state for their approval or rejection, to wit: Amend article 2, section 3, so as to read as follows: "Section 3. The members of the legislature shall receive for their services for each biennial term the sum of five hundred dollars and one hundred dollars for each special session held during said term, and fifteen cents for each mile traveled by the usual route in going to and returning from the usual place of meeting."

Sec. 2. This proposition shall be submitted to the electors of this state at the general election to be held in the year 1930 for their approval or rejection. The amount hereinbefore proposed shall be designated on the official ballot as follows: "An amendment to the constitution fixing the remuneration of members of the legislature at five hundred dollars for each biennial term and one hundred dollars for each special session held during said term, and mileage of fifteen cents per mile in going to and returning from the place of meeting, and fifteen cents for each mile traveled by the usual route in going to and returning from the place of meeting."

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of original Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 9, now on file in my office.

E. A. CORNELL, Secretary of State.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

No. 8, (L. 1929, Ch. 281)

A proposition to amend article 11 of the constitution of the state of Kansas by adding a section thereto.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the

State of Kansas, two-thirds of the members elected to each house concurring therein:

Section 1. The following proposition to amend the constitution of the state of Kansas is hereby submitted to the qualified electors of the state for their approval or rejection: That article 11 of the constitution of the state of Kansas be amended by adding a new section thereto following section 1, which new section shall be numbered section 2, and shall read as follows: "Section 2. The state shall have power to levy and collect taxes on incomes from whatever source derived which taxes may be graduated and progressive."

Sec. 2. Original sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 of article 11 of the constitution of the state shall be renumbered respectively sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10.

Sec. 3. This proposition shall be submitted to the electors of the state at the general election in the year 1930 for their approval or rejection. The amendment hereby proposed shall be designated on the ballot by the following title: "The Income Tax Amendment to the Constitution," and shall be voted for or against as provided by law under such title.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of original Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 8, now on file in my office.

E. A. CORNELL, Secretary of State.

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—From Wichita Eagle, Oct. 7



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