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EDUCATION

MEMBERS VOTE ADOPTION BOTH THE AMENDMENTS

Initiation Fees Officially Eliminated, and Annual Meetings to Be Held Consecutively as to District Numbers

CHECKED BY BOARD

State Board Favors Control over Concentration Yards and Community Sales; Bring Live Stock Raising Under Corporation Farming Law

Both amendments submitted to the Kansas Farmers Union membership following action taken at the state. convention at Lawrence last October carried by big majorities according to the tabulation of votes as made by the members of the state board of directors assembled in Salina on Wednesday, April 25. Amendment No. 1 carried 1701 to 162. The result on Amendment No. 2 was 1702 for and 102 against.

Amendment No. 1 provided for the elimination of the \$2 initiation fee formerly required of new members.

Amendment No. 2 provided that annual state meetings of the Kansas Farmers Union shall be held in the districts in which the state is divided, in consecutive order beginning in 1934 with District No. 2, and continuing with District No 3 in 1935, District No. 4 in 1936, and so on. It further provides that the convention city in any district shall be selected by ballot "at the same time, and in the same manner, as the state officers are

All members of the board with one exception were present at the Salina meeting. Officers present included C. A. Ward, president; A. M. Kinney, vice president, and Floyd Lynn, secretary-treasurer.

A report by the state secretary revealed the fact that membership at the middle of April this year exceeded last year's membership at the same date by 1,200. Nearly 6600 members were paid up this year in April.

President Ward reported on his Hope Bill, and other Farmers Union-

B. E. Winchester, board member from Stafford, Kansas, reported on membership and field work which he has been conducting.

The board went on record with the following resolution: "We favor a state law giving to the state board of agriculture control over concentration yards for live stock, with power to supervise weighing and grading in these yards. We also believe that the community sales should be placed under the supervision of the state board of agriculture. We favor an amendment to the corporation farming law bringing the raising and feeding of live stock under the provisions of this

The board adjourned to meet again at 9 a. m., May 23, just preceding the meeting of the Farmers Union Managerial Association.

No. 2 (continued from last week)

In the first letter of this series,

the manager of the XYZ farmers'

elevator learned of the advantages

accruing to a cooperative that

meets the provisions of the Cap-

per-Volstead Act. In this letter he

learned why the act is important

and something of the developments

that led up to incorporation of the

National grain cooperative. In the

article that follows, Bill Smith,

manager of the cooperative eleva-tor, makes it clear that the found-

ation for Farmers National was

laid about three quarters of a cen-

tury ago, when the first farmers'

elevator was organized and began business. It is the culmination of

a steady cooperative growth

"How do you finance your grain purchases, Bill? Do you do it through

an agreement of Farmers Nation-

al Grain Corporation. It was inau-gurated before the Bank for Cooper-

atives was established. Under the plan, bids are furnished us daily, or

as often as necessary, by Farmers

National. The grain thus purchased

belongs to Farmers National, while

the difference between the bid sub-

mitted by the National and the price

we pay the farmer, belongs to this as-

"That sounds good," exclaimed the manager of XYZ. "What does one

have to do to qualify for the finance

"The organization has to be a Cap-per-Volstead cooperative," returned Bill, "or agree to become one by

changing its setup."

"That's the trouble," answered

XYZ. "Everywhere I turn I am con-

fronted with that act. What was the

idea back of it, anyway? What makes

it so important?"
"The so-called farmers' elevator,

"No, we are operating on the fin-

through the years.

the Bank for Cooperatives?"

Mrs. Ward's Letter

(continued from last week)

Now this was Saturday, February 17, and we had planned a little party at our apartment in the evening, for a few of our friends. My refreshments were creamed chicken on biscuits, pear salad, olives, cookies and coffee. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. George Farrell; (Mr. Farrell is head of the AAA administration); Mr. Jake Taylor, who is Mr. Charles Barrett's secretary; Mr. and Mrs. Char-ley Talbott (Mr. Talbott is Farmers Union State President of North Da-kota) and their daughter, Mrs. Edwards; Mr. Walter Maddock of North Dakota and Mr. Shumway of Oregon Mr. Maddock and Mr. Shumway are tivities and those who support them on the advisory board with Mr. Ward.. and make them possible are looking This was a very enjoyable evening, the men folks really forgot their worries a little while and spent some time in discussing their farming experi-

loads, we left Washington at 11 o'clock for Annapolis, the Capital of Maryland, located on Chesapeake Bay. It has narrow streets and is quite different from our towns, most ly Collonial style houses and also busness houses of the same type.

We did not enjoy the bay so much, as it was frozen over. Large boats were ice-bound and just had to sit there until the ice melted. People whom we talked to said this was unusual. One said it had not been this way for 60 years. Another said not since 1817, so you will see quite a variation in opinions.

Annapolis is 40 miles from Washington and has the largest navy yards of the world. We drove over the grounds, and ate dinner at a cafe called "Little Garden", and there were a great number of sailor boys eating here.

In the morning before we were ready to start, we located a distant cousin of mine. Faye Woodward, who has been in Washington for 16 years, and asked her to go with us, but she had other plans. She was certainly surprised to hear we were there and said she would call on us soon and renew our acquaintance. I had not seen her for over 25 years. On Monday it snowed hard all day,

President Ward reported on his work in Washington, including his work as a member of the advisory committee with the wheat division of the many sight-seeing, and in the afternoon I called on Mrs. Clifford Hope, a congressman's wife from Kansas, whose home is at Garthe AAA, and his work in favor of the Frazier-Lemke Bill, the Capper-but we sure had a nice visit. They have a little girl 4 and a boy around 12 or more. I also enjoyed visiting her mother, Mrs. Sanders, whose home is in Topeka, but who spends the winters with her daughter. Mrs. Hope since Mr. Hope has been congressman, and has to be in Washing on during the sessions of Congress. You will remember of me telling in my first letter they were in the same

apartment we were. In the evening Mr. Maddock and Mr. Ralph Snyder of Kansas, were out to

On Tuesday morning, February 20, the Talbott ladies and I went to the Department of Commerce building, which is 2 blocks long—a large building. Here we visited a fish aquarium in the basement, and we saw a large assortment of fish, frogs and turtles,

From here we went to the Smithsonian Institute and National Musuem. It was established by Congress (continued on page 4)

owned perhaps by a few farmers and

business men, cannot be as great a

community asset as when it is owned

by say 200 farmers, each of whom

is patronizing it and getting divi-

dends from it. Five thousand dollars

in dividends, going to 200 farmers,

will do the community more good than where \$5,000 goes to four or five

"The Capper-Volstead Act, by re-

quiring an association to do at least

51 per cent of its business with mem-

bers, by that very fact makes it a

community project. If such an asso-

citation is to have a sufficient volume

of business to keep it going success-

fully, and if it must do at least 51

per cent of its business with mem-

bers, then it is certain its stock will

be pretty widely distributed in the community if the association is to

So that's it. Well, now tell me, is

it a job to change from a stock com-

"It isn't," responded Bill. "Full in-

formation can be obtained free by

alling on any regional office of the

Farmers National Grain Corporation.

You can get aid and advice on every

phase of the change, and you can get

standard by-laws, which are being prepared now, that not only meet re-quirements of the Bank for Coopera-

tives, but that meet also the provisi-

ons of the state cooperative market-ing act, the Capper-Volstead Act and the provisions of the federal income

"And after the change is made," continued Bill, "there is no law com-

pelling a cooperative to affiliate with

Farmers National or any of its stock-

nolders. It can go ahead operating as

an independent cooperative, although

our experience with Farmers National has been so satisfactory that my

directors wouldn't think of going back and going it alone."

"Tell me something about the struc-

ture of Farmers National, the date it

was organized, why it was organized, who organized it, and something

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tax statute.

keep its status as a cooperative."

pany to a cooperative company?"

Value of Capper Volstead Act

MANAGERS HAVE PLANNED A GOOD ANNUAL PROGRAM

Farmers Union Managerial Association Plans to Meet in Salina Wednesday and Thursday, May 23 and 24

FEATURE BALL GAME

Witham, Snyder, Ward, Thowe, Servis Webb, Schuler, Hobbs, Cowden and Others to Discuss Important Subjects

Kansas Farmers Union business acforward to Wednesday and Thursday, May 23 and 24, when the Farmers Union Managerial Association will have its annual spring meeting in Saences before the depression struck the country.

On Sunday morning we planned to drive to Annapolis, so with two car the secretary, T. C. Belden.

This Association is one of the important Farmers Union organizations of Kansas. Through its facilities the levelopment of organized cooperative marketing has gone forward satisfac-torily in Kansas. Each year the various managers get together, discuss common problems, and study cooperative marketing advancement. These meetings always prove to be mutually helpful to all concerned. C. B. Thowe, Alma, is president, and O. C. Servis of Winfield is vice president.

The sessions begin at 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, May 23. President Thove will give his report following the appointment of committees and the transaction of other preliminary business.

H. E. Witham, manager of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association, will speak on the subject of the new cooperative warehouse which is being established in Kansas City, Kansas. Every manager in the state should hear this discussion, because t deals with something which is bound to enter into the business of Kansas cooperatives in a large way. in the near future.

Another Wednesday afternoon talk which is of particular interest just at this time will be given by Martin Schuler, grain supervisor in charge of the Kansas City district.

Ralph Snyder, president Bank for Cooperatives under the federal setup in Wichita, is also on the Wednesday afternoon program. He will talk on "Financing of Coopera tives." This is another subject which will draw the attention of cooperative leaders and enthusiasts all over the

The final Wednesday afternoon session will be a round table discussion under the leadership of L. E. Webb, president of the Farmers Cooperative Grain Dealers Association of Kansas. Discussions will bear on cooperative loans, grain standards, and other kindred subjects.

A free cooperative banquet is scheduled for 6:30 o'clock, Wednesday evening. This is always a feature of the

The Thursday morning session opens, at 9 o'clock with O. C. Servis in charge. Election of officers and reports of committees will come at this

C. A. Ward. president of the Kan sas Farmers Union, will address the managers at 9.:30. He will have an interesting message. Following Mr. Ward, Howard Cow-

den, president of the Union Oil Co.. will speak. This will be one of the highlights of the sessions.

G. W. Hobbs, manager of the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission millions of dollars in developing wa-Co., at Kansas City, will talk at 10:- ter transportation, without a single 15 o'clock Thursday. Mr. Hobbs is dollar in return. Also that the governwell informed on all subjects relating | ment spends many millions helping to the marketing of live stock, and air transportation, through the finhas had much to do with the fight ancing of airports, weather reports on direct shipping. All should hear and mail contracts-and that it has

The Thursday morning session will each passenger carried in planes. be rounded out with a round table discussion, under the direction of C. ernment has spent billions of dollars B. Thowe, on merchandising, adver- in financing highways over which

tising and codes. The famous ball game between the paying their share of taxes. elevator managers and the store mannoon. It is scheduled to begin at 2 tested affair, and stands out in the minds of many Kansas folks as a more important sports event than the World's Series games in the fall.

The secretary-treasurer of the Farmers Union Managerial Association is urging the prompt payment of 1934 dues. He suggests that all managers who are not paid for 1934 do so at once. The treasury needs the cash, he declares; and he adds that a certain amount of money is required to carry on the work of the Asso-

"If you are a new manager," says Mr. Belden in a recent letter to the Farmers Union managers, "and are not familiar with the affairs of the association we want you to know that regardless of whether or not your assciation paid the last year's dues, we will consider you a member in good standing providing you take care of the 1934 dues. The annual dues are \$5, and we know that if you attend our meetings, you will feel one must have honey bees in his orvery well paid for this assessment. chard at blooming time. The number our membership, and want every man- variable factors as the temperature

FARMERS UNION ON WIBW Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock each week is Farmers Union time on WIBW, Capper Publications Radio

teresting Farmers Union Program. The WIBW radio speaker for Says there is No Excuse for Present Thursday evening, May 3, will be C. B. Thowe, Alma, Kansas, president of the Farmers Union Managerial Association. Mr. Thowe's message will

FARM GROUPS IN **ENDORSEMENT OF CAPPER-HOPE BILL**

be well worth hearing.

station, Topeka. Tune in for an in-

Committee of Kansas Farm Organi zations Favor Retention of Processors' Tax and Continuation of Agricultural Program

DISCUSSES MEASURES

Dean H. Umberger Reported on the Live Stock Conference which He Attended Parlier in Chicago; Witham Presided

The committee of Kansas Farm Organizations, composed of ten statewide farm organizations in the state met in a called session in Topeka, Fri day afternoon, April 27 to discuss a number of problems having to do with farm organization work.

The cmmittee went on record by unanimous vote to urge President Roosevelt and administration leaders to place the Capper-Hope bill, to control the marketing of live stock at concentration points and points other than public stock yards, on the list of legislation to receive consideration and action before the adjournment of the present Congress. Another resolution called for the abolishment of direct buying of live stock.

Dean Henry Umberger of Kansas State college reported on the live-stock conference at Chicago Thursday which developed little in the way of solution for the problems.

The committee adopted a resolution commending the administrators of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration for their sympathy and under-standing of the problems confronting the farmers, and indorsing the processing tax as a means of control. The resolution:

"We wish to commend Secretary Henry A. Wallace, of the department of agriculture and the administrators of the AAA for their sincere efforts to aid agriculture through their comprehensive plan. While these men are plotting an uncharted path in their operation of the program to date shows that they are willing to make changes in policy for the best interests of agriculture as developments of the program warrant. We favor the principal of the processors' tax to make the production control program effective."

At a noon luncheon at the Hotel Jayhawk, the farm organization representatives had as an honor guest S. T. Bledsoe, president of the Santa Fe railroad, who spoke briefly.

Accompanying President Bledsoe was Dr. C. R. Duncan, economist for the National Railway Executive association who told the committee members that if the government would withdraw all its various subsidies for competing transportation the railroads would have no objections to present enditions. He said that transportation has increased each year and will continue to do so. He pointed out that the government is spending cost the taxpayers about \$100 for

Dr. Duncan also said that the gov competing carriers travel without

The meeting of the Committee was agers will take place Thursday after-noon. It is scheduled to begin at 2 also manager of the Farmers Union o'clock. This is always a hotly con- Jobbing Association, a member organization. Mr. Witham was elected some months ago at a meeting in Wichita to succeed Ralph Snyder, who had headed the Committee for a number of years, while serving as president of the Kansas Farm Bureau.

> W. G. Strong, State Fish and Game Warden, in an interview at Pratt states that the recent license selling campaign conducted by the Fish and Game Department to secure additional funds for the state lake building program was, in a measure However, sufficient mon ey to complete the many projects has not yet been secured, and the Fish and Game Department, through Mr. Strong, is again issuing an appeal to the people to further assist in this program by purchasing a license within the next two or three weeks.

It is now a well-known fact that We are always anxious to build up of bees required depends upon such our membership, and want every manager that we can possibly get in the Association. Make your check payable to the Farmers Union Managerial Association and mail to the office of the secretary, 354 Board of Trade building, Kansas City, Mo."

WARD REPORTS ON **CONDITIONS WHICH WORRY WASHINGTON**

Conditions of Want in a Land of Great Natural Resources Such as We Have

NEED RADICAL CHANGE

Gold Plan is Not Enough as It Does Not Offer Great Help to Common Masses Including Agriculture: Depression Man-Made

Following is the radio address made by C. A. Ward, president of the Kan-sas Farmers Union over the Capper Publications radio station, WIBW. Topeka,, Thursday evening, April 26: I returned from Washington a few days ago where I had spent four weeks in assisting to obtain national legislation supposed to help, especially the farmers of this country. Since my return home I have been flooded with inquiries and questions and I pause and hesitate in attempting to give a definite opinion on many of the subjects and matters which are bothering our people.

Folks are really wanting to know whether general conditions in the country are getting better or whether we are at a stand still. People have read so many conflicting statements through the columns of our newspapers and have heard so many different views on public matters over the radio that I think it is pretty safe to say tha our minds are in somewhat of a state of confusion.

Therefore, it is well for us to stick as close to the facts as is possible. I think I may well state that Washington is in a whirl at the present time. What I mean is this is that the 73rd Congress is looking toward its adjournment day. A multitude of pending bills, which some Congressman or Senator is sponsoring, will die on the calendar and never be taken up during this session.

President Roosevelt remains popular throughout the country and the members of Congress are very re-luctant to go against his wishes. Many members of Congress would vote differently on pending bills if they thought they dared to. Because, after all, a politician endeavors to remain popular with his people and his course is directed by the trend of mind in which his people think.

Though this inflation, among other members on the committee. Various members of the National Cooperataxable interests bearing bonds. It is a tragedy and will only lead to national bankrunter if we continue to

man may be in deep water drowning. of our country who control wealth in You may pull him up where he is in condition of our country at this time.

Needs Must Be Met

Farmers will continue to go broke unless their income is substintially increased over what it is at the present time. Literally millions of our people who live in cities and who ar without jobs or possibly working only a part of the time will continue to lose their homes on which they are trying to make monthly payments un-

less they can find work.

The Small business men scattered throughout the length and breadth of our nation, as well as the great indus-trialists, will fail in business unless purchasing power is restored to the great masses of our commonwealth. Just now I make this basic statement. It is a sin, a crime and a national tragedy, for our country to be in the shape it is in.
A Man-Made Depression

In the first place we have the greatest nation and country in world. The good old United States is rich in natural resources, of every type and character. We have facilities for producing many times the food required to sustain the lives of our people. We have minerals and raw materials in abundance. Our educational facilities have been such that we have developed a high degree of intelligence. The farmers' are bursting. Our cold storage plants, Millions of men and women are seeking employment and yet we find no permanent relief or solution to our problems.

As we check this whole situation up we can cme to only one conclusion. Namely, that this depression is manmade. The facts are that over a period of years we have observed that which we call wealth in this country being drained from the common rank and file of our people and finding its way into the great money centers of our country. Money is a medium of exchange and if people don't have it,

The facts are that a very small per cent of our citizens own or control eighty or ninety per cent of our wealth. No nation can stand long without serious trouble under that sort of a condition. The citizens of our country, through their leaders and political parties, have been trying to jar this thing loose but apparently with little success. I have been in the east a lot the past year and I have been in conferences many many times with a lot of men representing great industries, in fact the biggest industries of our country. They agree that we must have a leveling out of this whole situation; but yet, when the plain people of this country go to Washington and with all their might and main fight vigorously for legislation that will start the wheels of industry and business going, these same interests and greedy selfish men many times are in the back men many times are in the back ground getting their work done to re-tard or kill various types of legisla-tion that the plain people of thi

country know are for the best inter-

terpretations and views. I say to you that if we are to come out of this situation in which we find ourselves we must make some changes.

Several bills have been introduced in Congress which carry with them inflation, but to date most of them have not gotten very far. It is my candid opinion that if the members of Congress were turned loose we would have enacted into law some of these bills which would give us inflation. Many of the best thinkers of our nation feel we will never pay the in-debtedness of this country unless we do have inflation.

Of course, we cannot start the printing presses and let them run without supervision or control. But, our government should do enough along this line so that the money hoarders and the great financial institutions of our country would begin to extend credit, and invest their ment coming from Oil wealth in order that more of our peo-wealth in order that more of our peo-lickes in Washington. ple will have money with which to buy. Gold Plan Not Enough

Devalueing the gold dollar, in my udgment, is not enough. In itself this has not done our masses much good. The government, of course, has made a nice profit out of the transaction and it has helped us tives handling petroleum products, betransaction and it has helped us some in our trades and negotiations with foreign countries. But, it has ation where matters of vital impornot helped us much in this connectance to the industry are being plantion because, at present, we are not carrying on extensive commerce with foreign nations. If the President and Congress are determined not to give will be enabled to keep thoroughly inus inflation as we would have through the Frazier-Lemke Bill which would ters which affect the industry generation refinance our farm mortgages at a cheap rate of interest and the Patman Bill which would pay the soldiers' bonus, and the McLloyd Bill movement along practical and successful lines. which would pay depositors of closed banks, or the Dies Bill which would banks, or the Dies Bill which would exchange our agricultural commodities in foreign nations for silver, taking in secretary-treasurer of the Nationen at a premium, then why does this Congress not face the silver question seven regional cooperatives throughfairly and give us a law which will out the middle west and northwest. remonetize silver on a basis of its natural proration to gold, which would be somewhere near a ratio of sixteen

Many of our citizens today feel would be added to the Planning and that William Jennings Bryan, that coordination committee of the Petroloutstanding American, was right cum Industry. There was, of course, when he said, nearly forty years ago, that we must recognize silver. The major petroleum comthat we must recognize silver. In my judgment, this Government panies, through their representatives, should inflate the currency and demanded a majority of the new through this inflation, among other members on the committee. Various

I wish to say at this time that in go the pace we are going now, in is my judgment this country is much better off than it was a year ago, but we are not out of the woods yet. A that the strong financial institutions when doing consumers when do not consumers when do not consumer when do not consumer when do not consumers when do no out of the interest that our government pays them for the government's bonds they own.

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COWDEN Some of you listeners this evening may say that I am radical in my interpretations and views I am Interpretations and views MARKET COMMITTEE

Oil Administrator Ickes Announces Appointment of President of Union Oil Company on P. & C. Marketing Committee

COOPERATIVE VICTORY

Gives Cooperatives Representation where Matters of Importance to Oil Industry are Being Planned and Put into Effect

Howard A. Cowden, president-manager of the Union Oil Co., Cooperative, has been appointed as a member of the P. and C. Marketing Committee, according to a recent announcement coming from Oil Administrator

This announcement will mean much to Kansas Farmers Union members who are affiliated with cooperative oil setups which are, in turn, affiliated with or doing business with the Union Oil Company. In fact the apcause it gives cooperatives representimportant committee, cooperatives formed on marketing and other matters which affect the industry genercessful lines.

Mr. Cowden's appointment came following an announcement on April 12, to the effect that eleven members would be added to the Planning and tional bankruptcy if we continue to and C. committee, on behalf of the

When dairy cows go on early pastimes such as we have now, fail to tures, it is advisable to continue the only seven feet of water and he will still drown unless he is pulled completely out of the water. That is the care of their pay rolls and overhead or more, gallons of milk, says H. W. feeding of grain and perhaps some Cave, department of dairy husbandry, Kansas State College, He explains that this is necessary because early If our government would stop this grass has a high moisture content, practice, in my judgment, you would see capital and finance turn loose and deal of it to get all the nutrients she requires.

Must Stop Sending Paper to Delinquent Members

Beginning next week, quite a number of people now receiving the Kansas Union Farmer will fail to receive ituntil their dues are paid. A Farmers Union dues includes a subscription to the state paper for that year for which the dues are effective. It was originally intended that the paper should be

stopped just as soon as the member was in arrears. However, it has been the practice to keep on sending the Kansas Union Farmer until the end of the year in which the member is in arrears. Seventy-five cents out of each annual dues payment goes

toward helping to publish this paper. All of that, and more, actually is required to pay for printing, mailing, postage, salaries and other necessary costs. It is, therefore, a dead expense to continue to send the paper to a former member who is now in arrears. If it were left to the desire of those in charge of publishing the paper, every farmer who ever belonged to the Farmers Union would continue to receive it. However, this is financially impos-

Any former member who has failed to pay dues since the close of 1932 will be dropped from the mailing list. The records in the state secretary's office are to be taken as the basis for membership. Any member who has paid dues to a Local secretary, but whose dues have not been sent in to the state office, will necessarily have to be dropped from the mailing list until his dues actually arrive at the state office. If any subscriber or member believes his dues have been paid since 1932, and who is dropped from the mailing list, will please see his Local secretary first, and then take it up, either directly or through the Local secretary, with the state office.

No one shall unjustly be deprived of receiving the Kansas Union Farmer. It is hardly fair for one man to get the paper free of charge while his neighbor is required to

pay dues to receive it. Any reader who finds himself cut off the mailing list is urged to pay his dues at once. He will be placed back on the list as soon as he pays. This is simply a matter of co-

operation, to whan one should object. It will be remembered that initiation fees have been eliminated. Any old member who has been in arrears long enough to have been dropped from the rolls, that is, as far back as the close of 1931, may come in as a new member simply by paying current dues. Others will have been receiving the paper, and are required to pay back dues and current dues. This automatically puts them on the mailing list again.

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ment has come about because of the

strength and influence of farm organ-

Farmer Has Paid Insurance

Some Pests Worse Than Insects

MUST ELIMINATE PESTS

Green bugs, chinch bugs and dry izations. The Kansas Farmers Union weather are working together to make has taken a leading part in this new sas farmers. The results of days, ance feature of the wheat allotment been spent in conformal and the same an life miserable for thousands of Kan- development. We refer to the insurweeks and months of hard labor and plan under the Agricultural Adjustcareful planning are fading quickly ment Administration. Already, this away. Fields that were green and feature, by being made virtually retpromising virtually are laid waste. Of roactive over a period of three to course this is not true throughout the five years, has saved Kansas farmers, state, but there are many localities in one year, some sixteen millions of dollars. By this, we mean that if the

where it is all too true. All this, of course, is part of the benefit payments had been based on risk a farmer takes when he gambles wheat produced and harvested in 1933, on a crop. To work the soil, plant these benefits would have been about the crops and cultivate them is one sixteen millions of dollars less than thing we must do. Years of exper- were received because the payments ience and study have taught the Kan- were based on the average yield exsas farmer what is the best thing to tending over a base priod of years. do under ordinary circumstances. We have found out what certain soils need, how best to drain our lands, how arity between this form of insurance to terrace, and many other things. We and the insurance we are familiar have learned something about flood with, which covers life or property. control and insect control.

We have learned how to harness quires the payment of premiums to the forces of nature, and how to build up a general fund, out of which guard against some of the destructive the insurance company may pay loss-But we are a long way from con- tinue, this insurance feature of the quering Nature. We shall never reach AAA is not based on previous paythe stage where we will be absolutely ment of premiums. assured of raising a crop whenever we plant or sow one, and follow up with the proper care.

Insurance Feature

This reminds us that through years of experimentation and education we have been able to lengthen the average span of the human life. We have learned how to combat certain diseases, with some show of suc- the form of a broadly constructed incess. We know how to avoid some surance? accidents, and we are teaching our children good health habits. But, Death.

There is one thing, however, which development of human intelligence insurance feature, whether they raise crystalize the wishes of the various has brought to us, and which forms a wheat from the seed they planted or state groups, both educational and part of our civilization. That thing is not. life insurance. We have found out that by laying a little away each year in the form of life insurance havoc being wrought by insects and have allowed bias and prejudice to premiums, we can build up a fund unfavorable weather, let us realize come between our leadership and leave behind. We know, since we have far as the farmer is concerned, why entire burden resting on the shoulders not conquered Death, that our days is it worse for him to lose the crop of the national officials. are numbered. It is inevitable. We in his field than for him to raise it, count on it.

are inevitable, since we have not yet it? conquered Nature-and never will. It That is exactly what has happened whirl of pending legislation, for agis nothing immediately new to insure for several years. No matter how riculture. It is humanly impossible against crop destruction, or against perfect his crop may have been, how for two or three men to keep up with ty after school. Plumley, the new destruction or damage of property: free from pests, and no matter how committee hearings, contacting of member from Vermont and a recent Countless farmers have been saved favorable the weather, every bushel Senators and Congressmen and in of- college president, said that was a from utter ruin by insurance. Insur- the average farmer produced was fering suggestions to pending bills. Compliment to his teacher. ance is regarded as being almost as marketed at a loss. The loss was in Our stronger Farmers Union states, ton, Ky., was the memorial speaker necessary as the buildings or property the marketing, not in the hazards of in my judgment, should have at least for the Democrats. He grew up in the which it protects.

these losses which come because of in this Farmers Union program. It Frazier-Lemke bill is another step possible. which we are determined shall be tak-

demanded and received.

Union Fights these Pests

duty in this regard. It is seeking to

Need Organized Support

support. the lot of the American farmer.

more directly concerned about build- ceived little or no wheat money for ing up his organization than in fight- the 1933 season. ing insect pests. It is important that his crops shall bring him an income, and it is important that he shall be surance feature of the program in the permitted to maintain a standard of development of which your organizaliving equal to that of the other members of society.

The first necessary step is the farmer's membership in his own is to get his neighbors to join.

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN CAL A. WARD

President Kansas Farmers Union

THE GROWING NEED AND VAL-UE OF FARMERS UNION

During the past few months I have out to the general public.

We are going through, as our read-

Some may say there is no similnature of the Farmers Union set-up gram. Regular insurance, some may ray, reputs its group in a class wherein we may go without restraint, or without of society, and finally represent the crastinate and do not accept the chalwhims Mother Nature takes at times. es. On the other hand, they may condirt farmer in the thing we are try-lenge under the provisions of the law

Need Unified Strength

It is too bad that our organization We believe it is based on premiums has only scratched the surface when previously paid by farmers. Who will it comes to what we might obtain in say that farmers did not contribute national legislation. We certainly for many years some sort of prem- need more crystalization of strength ium payments? What about the as between our various state Farmers years when they produced the food Union groups. I have been in Washand clothing materials for a nation, ington in the hum drum of Congress at a distinct loss? Farmers have paid long enough to have some deep seatand paid. Why not recover this in ed convictions in this regard. Permit me to analyze the situation

a bit. First, our various state organi-There is some comfort in the zations have their annual conventions. thought that thousands of Kansas There we draft and adopt resolutions withal, we have not solved the mys- farmers living in the wheat sections of | in an attempt to help the farmer. At tery of Life, nor have we conquered Kansas, and who have signed the pro- the time of our national convention duction control contracts, are to re- it should be the purpose of this conceive a certain price, because of the vention, as nearly as possible. to business, into a compact unified national program. To some extent this Now that we have mentioned the has been done, but only in part. We which will take care of future de- that perhaps there are other forces what really should be done. We admands. We can thus protect our dear which have done far greater damage journ our national convention, return ones which we must, sooner or later, to farmers than have these pests. As to our various states and leave the

When Congress convenes in Washharvest it, thresh it, then lose on the ington, the national officials, because So it is with farming. Failures whole proposition when he markets usually more than one or two of them ly four failed in the State of Connecare there, find themselves lost in the Now, however, we have something gamblers took their toll. Money in jungators took their toll. Money ington through the sessions of Congletons and Congle new in insurance. This new develop- manipulators took the biggest toll. gress. If that were true, then we several summers was platform man-

These manipulators did more—they could go to Washington, cooperate stopped the normal flow of trade, and with the national Union, and this thus stopped the demand for farm group of fifty or seventy five could, products. Without demand-normal at the close of each day, check up and at all times, through the division demand-adequate prices could not be The Kansas Farmers Union sees a

Some readers may say that the ex- that means. pense of such a group would make step into the breach and eliminate the attempt prohibitive. I claim well for Under Secretary of Agriculnecessary money thus expended would ture and his reavowal of faith in the a manipulated market and a manipulated money system. The insurance of the Farmers Union could make. feature of the domestic allotment Throughout our country the Farmers of Agriculture Committee, to stand for his confirmation, raises an interplan with respect to wheat is one step Union and its associated business activities do multiplied millions of dolis the only logical and possible step lars of business each year. Just a tween Rex Tugwell and Eugene Meywhich could have been taken at the little planning and cooperation on the er at the press banquet, he was betime, toward cost of production. The part of all would make this proposal tween the left of the left and the

I say to our members I have feeling ers from either. en. Other steps must be taken, in- in this regard, and I tremble when I cluding the Wheeler Bill and the see we are failing to take hold of our well but to refresh your memory on Thomas Bill, as well as the Capper- possibilities. About a year ago a group of we Farmers Union men went to Washington and remained there mated the depression with an expan-These are all effective steps. They until we had developed, as crude as it sion of the currency but repeatedly cannot be consummated when farm may seem, a wheat plan and program. refused. He is more responsible than organizations have only lukewarm This plan has brought into the wheat states more than a hundred million The Farmers Union is the only dollars. Had it not been for our farm organization which has made a group taking the lead, it is quite posmilitant fight for the majority of sible that other destructive interests these definite steps toward bettering | might have retarded the development of the wheat plan and hundreds of Therefore, the farmer should be thousands of farmers would have re-

Value of Insurance Feature Members, please don't forget the intion had a substantial part. As I subject then is the speaker. It would write these notes multiplied thousands not be news if anything of this kind of acres of wheat in Kansas are deteriorating at a rapid rate. In cer-Farmers Union Local. The next step tain sections of the state the binder or combine will never be pulled into the field. All of this is heart rending. There is some solace and satisfaction in the fact that these wheat criticize than to study. It is easier, farmers, if they have signed contracts for anyone not familiar with the prowith the government, will receive gram, to gain approval by accusing cash benefit payments for the 1934 crop based upon their past production whether they raise any wheat or

Could Speed It Up

The hog and corn farmers should been exceedingly impressed with the have had cash benefit payments long ers themselves and was arrived at in value of the Farmers Union. I have before this. This could have been a manner as democratic as any of our observed in our organization possi- possible under the provisions of the laws. Only three congressmen in the bilities and opportunities that I had law had the Farmers Union been ornever before realized. The longer one ganized in a way that we could have is in an organization as an executive taken the lead in the developing and voted for it because the majority of thrown upon him. A very great part might have been true in a dairy pro- it is not permanent legislation. It meetings. Much of the discustion ernment, at least temporarily, has which has taken place in these con- adopted a "hands off" policy on a to enforce. If so it will not be references could not, of course, be put dairying program until the dairy in- newed. terests get together.

Just last week the beef cattle iners know, a period of extreme tense- terests met in Chicago with repreness and a time when every state- sentatives of the agriculural adminment must be supported by fact. istration. I am told that the larger Therefore, when farm representatives cattle operators were there. The big owed two hundred million dollars anand leaders are thrown together from operators who carry on extensive nually to other nations in the prewar all the organizations, care and cau-feeding operations in the heart of period and after the war the tion must be exercised to the end the corn belt were there and much that the public is not misinformed. destructive criticism was offered and It is never my purpose to abuse apparently not much progress made. other groups. We have a chance and We should have been in a position so folly to expect to be able to promote an opportunity as long as we coop- Farmers Union representatives from exports under conditions like this. erate. However, I do want to say at the great cattle section might have this time that the very character and taken the lead in a real cattle pro-

Membership Is Need

in this time of dire distress and need.

We in Kansas must build up our business institutions by our support. ducing plant or let them make their We must increase our membership to own adjustment in a dog eat dog the end that we will grow in strength struggle to survive. But if the policy and prestige. As an organization we such a struggle is adopted, the devil have done a lot in state legislation to may take all. help the farmer. We are in the thick of the fight when it comes to national legislation. The crying need of our organization at this time is more members. We respectfully ask each member to bring in at least one new member during the year 1934.

WASHINGTON SIDELIGHTS W. P. Lambertson, April 28, 1934

The Japanese cherry blossoms have fallen but Washngton has picked up about four million dollars from the tourists who came to see.

It is to be hoped the farmers have all terraced. You may look for two feet of rainfall in June. Another 1903 flood may recur. Gov. Pinchot, running for the Republican nomination for the Senate

away, ate dinner and slept all night at the White House.
While half of our banks in the middle west closed in this depression, on-

in the primary less than three weeks

My eleven-year-old boy refused to accompany me to the opening ball game until he had done his patrol du-

Young John Y. Brown, of Lexing-

ager of chautauquas through our sec-

Hobson, the hero of Santiago Harbor and a former member of the House, was on the floor yesterday. He leaned over to speak to pretty Edith of representation, be in a position to Rogers and a friend I was sitting effectively pound away on a real pro-gram.

Some readers may say that the average with in the gallery startled me by saying, "Look, she's going to kiss him." Only the old timers know what

The President's nomination of Tugesting situation.

When William Allen White sat beright of the right; economically speaking he was a mile and three quart-

You are all now familiar with Tug-Meyer, he was the Hebrew from Wall Street, head f the Federal Reserve Board, who in '30 could have checkany man in America for the closing of banks and for the loss of homes.

CRITICIZE AFTERWARDS (R. J. Laubengayer in the Salina

Journal) It is unfortunate that many business men, especially in agricultural states, have given so little study to the agricultural program. At frequent intervals some business man makes a speech before a group of business men condemning the agricultural program. The speaker is often misinformed and many in the audience are no more familiar with the took place in the industrial east, but

it is remarkable that it should occur

in Kansas. The program these business men condemn is one upon which their liv-ing is partly dependent. Just because it is a new idea some drift into the lazy notion that it is easier to the agricultural department of regimenting the farmers and destroying their freedom, and disregard entirely the economics involved or the condi tions that led to the need of farm legislation. The Bankhead bill, to which some so glibly refer as a step towards communism, is largely the result of a demand from the producentire cotton belt, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, voted against this bill. Congressmen from the cotton sections the farmers in this territory desired such legislation. Limited to one year, -also the result of popular demand—and it may be just as difficult

In a recent address Chester Davis. administrator of the agricultural act, said that nearly one-fifth of the farmers' income during the prewar period came through sales to other countries, but the war changed all According to Mr. Davis nations owed us five hundred million dollars annually. At the same time, after the war, the tariff walls were increased to shut off imports. It is Business men as well as farmers must wake up to the fact international

trade cannot be one sided. Davis pointed out that the country as a whole still is not facing realities and continues to nurse the delusion It certainly is too bad for the that some miracle working formula having to answer to any other group farmer when we stand back and pro- can be found to unlock the gates to exports and still shut the door to imports. Then years average exports on wheat amounted to 176 million bushwhich we have in getting for the els per year, whereas in the past nine farmer in dollars and cents all we can months this nation has exported only 18½ million bushels. He pointed out that either farmers should be given assistance in contracting their proof let the devil take the hindmost in

The agricultural act was not based upon the principle of arbitrary regi mentation of production and nothing has been done under the act which can honestly be assailed as federal regimentation of the farmer or his business. The Journal agrees with Davis that the voluntary principle can be made to work during this emergency period, while farmers are being tided over until the nation readjusts its relations with the world so that we may trade freely once more, and if we do not start toward rebuilding world trade economic desperation may force farming under system of more rigid control. Farmers who are cooperating with the government already are indicating a desire for more rigid control of those who refuse to cooperate in helping solve the problem. The Bankhead bill is a result of that psychology. A majority of oil operators are asking for compulsory control.

The Journal does not believe that the farmers understand the drawbacks to compulsory control. Secre tary Wallace and Administrator Da vis have consistently opposed compulsory control and it is doubtful if agriculture will ever have to be regi mented in this way unless this coun try is forced to a nationalistic basis. Wheat farmers have a two year contract with the government voluntary control. It is hoped that from the experience gained with this

be forced to drift.

"dog eat dog and the devil take the hindmost." Buring the war America hindmost." Buring the war America put over 40 million additional acres under the plew. After the war this acreage became suffices. Instead of realizing that Europe was retilling 50 million acres that had been left out of production during the war, America even increased acreage for export.

During this post war period the tractory of the meeds of agriculture. We pledge During this post war period the trac-tor replaced the horse and mule so the production of millions of acres formerly necessary to feed these animals was added to the surplus. As a result of the Smoot-Hawley high tariff bill Europe stimulated its production in order to become more self sustaining and put up barriers against ou products. America ignored these facts and kept on over producing These same facts are being disregarded by some farmers and business men at this time, even in agricultural states. The experimental program of the agricultural department has at least forced some people to study the facts and until America is thoroughly conversant with them, and willing to wrestle with the problem, full agricultural recovery will be delayed.

WARD REPORTS ON CONDITIONS WHICH WORRY WASHINGTON

(continued from page 1) we would go into a great wave business expansion. Money would begin to circulate, people would find jobs, industry would open up and we would be headed towards good times. Friends, I am not a calamity howler, but we must break the strangle

hold of wealth and cause it to serve the masses rather than a few special favored interests. My sympathy goes out for President Roosevelt and say to our people in this section to-night, that the interest of the Alle-ritory, but also in the sale of ther velt, in my judgment, would like to sion men had seen years before; be a little more liberal in his national namely, that the country elevator is

I am sure that he is trying to do it isn't a market in the full sense of his best for American agriculture and that term. you listeners tonight should appreciate this because, after all, Kansas is a great agricultural state. You business men in Topeka and other towns These cooperative companies on the and cities in Kansas will prosper just larger markets began to provide seras our farmers are able to get along.

Agricultural Program the agricultural program. First, let elevators out of ceived its equal rights with other industries, through national legislation. march from agriculture during the past year because of the fact that they were highly organized and were able through the national industrial recovery act program to protect at least, to a considerable extent, their rights.

Through that program the cost of the consuming public has been increased. This increase in cost has worked a greater hardship on millions of our people before they had sufficient buying power to overcome

It is my judgment that agriculture on its feet before the NRA program was launched. I say this because ag riculture represents approximately 40 per cent of the purchasing power of the nation. And, when once agri-

iness soon follow with prosperity. I do not claim that the governis 100 per cent perfect. But I do say that under it we are a lot better off section of our country, have received higher prices and cash benefits for his decline in total hay produc-

The corn and hog, cattle, dairy and poultry farmers, of course, are not so well off yet, but, taking the entire country over, we are getting in bet- flourishing spring gardens. E. Bureau of Agricultural economics, Kansas State College extension servyear farmers were paying \$1.20 for necessary for making Bordeaux mixwhat they paid \$1.00 a year ago. On ture and learning how to prepare this the other hand, this year the farmers spray for use.

received \$1.48 for which they re-

by men and organizations who know the needs of agriculture. We pledge our best efforts to do all power to strengthen the weak spots which may develop in the program,

VALUE CAPPER-VOLSTEAD ACT.

(continueed from page 1) of its accomplishments," urged the manager of XYZ.

The Story Back of Farmers National "Farmers National was organized in 1929," Smith went on, "although its beginning dates back really to the time the first farmers' elevator was established 50 to 75 years ago. Farmers way back there felt they were being gouged often times not only on price but on weight and grade. They determined to correct that situation and did correct it through local associations like this one. They were fought hard from the start, but when terminal handlers of grain saw that the local association was merely a collector of grain, and that they got to handle the grain after it arrived at terminal markets—where the larger profits in grain are—they ceased to fight the local cooperatives so bit-

terly. "However, during and shortly after the World war, these country cooperatives began to get together and talk over their grain-marketing problems. for the members of Congress; and I They found they were in competition with one another, not only as to tergheny east are not the interests of grain on the terminals. They saw, for the middle west. President Roose- the first time, what terminal commislittle more than a scoop shovel; that

"About this time the farmers' elevices that the member-elevators never had been in position to provide for I want to say a few words about themselves. These sales agencies took me say that agriculture has never re- working alone, had been able to do.

45 W. S. P. - 188 S. H. claims, freight rates, legislation, state I have the profoundest sympathy for and national, that the individual ele-labor and labor organizations but in vator had not been able to afford. vator had not been able to afford. my judgment, they have stolen the They were fought bitterly, too, from the very start, but had firmly established themselves by 1929.

"In 1929, these terminal cooperative groups got together in Chicago to talk over the problems that had been bothering the local cooperatives 15 years before. The terminal groups found themselves competing with one another for territory and in the sale of grain. They decided to centralize sales still further through a national central selling agency, and thus did Farmers National Grain Corporation come into being."

"Watch for our Next Letter!"

Harold Howe, department of agricultural economics, Kansas State College, reports that the United States culture is prosperous, all lines of bus- Bureau of Agricultural Economics has called attention to a reduced production of hay in recent years. Producment's present agricultural program tion of tame and wild hay throughout the United States last year was 76 million tons, 6.7 per cent less than in than we were a year ago. The whole 1932, and 9.2 per cent less than the 1926 to 1930 average. Reduced prosection of our country, have received duction of timothy, clover, and prair-substantial benefits in the way of ie hay has been primarily responsible

Plant diseases often cause losses in ter shape. I find as follows from the Leker, plant disease specialist of the Department of Agriculture at Wash- ice, suggests that the gardener be ington: Under date of April 11, this prepared by obtaining the materials

Another Big Show on WIBW Schedule

tion.



Left to right, Nino Martini, Grete Stueckgold, and Rosa Ponselle. In the Inbased on sert, Andre Kostelanetz, conductor.

Three half hour musical variety shows | and present unusual arrangements of program a more permanent plan will are heard regularly over WIBW, fea- modern dance tunes and ballads. Predevelop. Experiments along this line are necessary if agriculture is not to tenor; and Grete Stucckgold, popular half of Chesterfield Cigarettes, the Facts should not be disregarded concert singer, in the best-loved songs programs are broadcast from 7 to and before criticising business men of yesterday and today. A forty-should give more study to the propiece orchestra and a chorus of six-gram. They should learn the actual teen voices, directed by the national-spotlight on Mondays; Martini on



Dear Jurior Cooperators. I do hope that you've all been read-ing the series of letters which have been appearing in our paper, written by Mrs. Cal Ward. They are most capital of our country—Washington, D. C. I'd like to have you clip and keep them all with your other Club material—those of you who have the Club note books can keep them with the Club songs and lessons which I've asked you to keep from time to time.

My Irlend vera Caripowder. Let come to a boil. Put in the meat balls. Cover well and allow to simmer for about 40 minutes, or until rice is done. These balls, with the rice popping out, look and taste deschool and I am the only the in my class. Mrs. Herrall is my teacher. Please send me a pin. For pets I We'll include some questions based on information contained in these letters, in a future lesson.

Last week, the Farmers Union of Last week, the Farmers Union of I am taking chickens again. I will North Dakota began the publication vote for the forget-me-not for the of a state paper, which will include a Junior Page, devoted to the interests of their Junior organization. Until now, they have sent out a mimeo-graphed "Union Junior" which dealt

with their club activities. the Juniors of North Dakota, for their her on winning a star. I think we Camp. I know that you'll all agree can find your twin soon. I hope that this will be a marveous experi- you'll win first prize this year on ence for those Juniors who attend your chickens—as you did last. Thank this encampment. Touldn't it be fun if we could undertake something of had a happy day, too, as I did. And this sort some time?

THE JUNIOR ENCAMPMENT The Junior Encampment of the Farmers Union, will be held at the Boy Scout Camp, Spiritwood Lake, 20

miles from Jamestown. The dates are from June 6 to June 10. Make your plans to arrive June got the pink eye.

5. The encampment schedule will be
We are sending in our lessons with gin Wednesday morning, June 6. You must be ready to attend classes at

8:30. Wednesday morning. Any Junior or Juvenile between the ages of fourteen to twenty-one may attend providing he (or she has studied the lessons, four-minute speech work or done any of the project work sponsored by the Farmers Union and that his parents are in good standing. The Junior membership cards must be presented to the camp manager upon entering the camp.

The cost of encampment will be five dollars per person. This will include shelter, food, and swimming lessons, but does not include transpor-

The camp is equipped with barracks with built in bunks containing matresses. Each Junior must bring his own bedding. Bring a pillow if you use one. Other necessary equipment is towels, soap, bathing suits, knife, fork, spoon, plate, cup, saucer and pencils for class work. Suggested equipment includes a kodak, autograph album, stamped envelopes and paper so that you can write home without trouble, antedote for mosquito bites, plenty of cold cream for | Easter sunburn and any musical instrument that you may play.

Each barrick will be in charge of a monitor appointed by the camp manager who will have full charge.

Juniors will be appointed to Kit. chen Police Duty in their turn. It will probably amount to one turn for each Junior. DO NOT bring any food. The five dollar fee paid upon entering the camp will cover food and shelter.

The swimming lessons will be free to anyone who wishes to take part. They will be supervised by the Life Guard, who will use the Buddy System in the swimming class. Each person must be close enough to his buddy that he can throw up his hands and clasp them with his partners.

The deadline for registration is May 5. No one whose name is registered after that time will be taken in as plans have to be made for the number of people who will be there. The Junior Leader must do the registering for his local Juniors.. Juniors cannot register for themselves. Following are the subjects in which classes will be held, every morning

and the teachers: Money and Credit-Mrs. G. H. Ed-Public Speaking-Mrs. Mildred A.

History of Co-operation-G. R. In-Parliamentary Usage—(2 days) -Mrs. Fred Musel.

Junior Leaders Conference — (2 days)—Mary Jo Weiler.

The personnel of the camp will con-State Junior Leader-Mrs. C .H.

Edwards. Assistant to State Leader-Elsie

Assistant Junior Leader and Camp Manager-Mary Jo Weiler. Mrs. G. H. Edwards.

Mrs. Mildred Kay. G. R. Ingram. Mrs. Fred Musel. Life Guard-Eddie Olson, James-

Nurse-Mrs. M. D. Edwards, La-Cook-Mrs. E. T. Hinschberger, Lis-

Recreation Manager-Mrs. O. K Butts, Jamestown. Assistant Recreational Manager-Mrs. Mildred Kay, Montana.

Milan, Kans., March 31, 1934. Dear Aunt Patience: How are you? I am just fine. It

vesterday. It is nice today. it there? Please send me my pin. I vote for the forget-menot. I am 9 years old and in the fourth grade. My teacher's name is
Miss Olive Ate. I go to the Jordan
school district 121. I can't think of anything else. Love for all,

Opal Evelyn Southurn.

-it makes no difference that you Patience.

haven't sent in the others in the ser ies.—Aunt Patience.

Hollis, Kans., March 30, 1934. Dear Aunt Patience: I would like to become a member of your club. My friend Vera Carl-Please send me a pin. For pets I have a dog named Chubby and six cats. I belong to the 4-H club. For a project I have chickens. I had chickens last year and I got first prize se club flower. I hope you have a Happy Easter.

Your new member, Mary Duth Augustine.

Dear Mary Ruth: I am very happy you for your Easter wish—I hope you don't forget our next lesson-it is very important.-Aunt Patience.

Codell, Kans., Apr. 2, 1934. Dear Aunt Patience: How are you? I am fine. Schoo is nearly out and we are having lots of fun. Edgar and the twins have our letters. We got them this time as soon as we got the paper.

It's time to go to school, so good Lots of love,

Delwin and Elenor Dougherty Dear Delwin and Elenor: I'm fine. too, and I hope that none of the rest it isn't very much fun, is it? There lates: were quite a few cases in Salina, too. I was so glad to receive the lessons promptly—when you study them righ away, they don't seem so hard, do they?—Aunt Patience.

Collyer, Kans., April 3, 1934. Dear Aunt Patience: How are you getting along by now? I'm O. K. Hope you are the same. What are your plans for summer My plans are to make a garden. All I'm going to plant is a lot of flowers. I like flowers, butterflies, bees and trees. My examination grades were pretty good. My lowest grade is 87. All the rest were in the nineties. Do you like to answer our letters? Have I a twin? I'm 10 years old. I have my birthday April 1. Just on

Well I must close with a lot of

Sincerely yours, Rosa Bender. P. S. Did you come home all right when you had that accident?

Dear Rosa: I haven't any plans for this summer, as yet. I think yours are fine—let me know how your flowers get along, and which ones you planted. I think those were splendid grades. I can think of just one thing I'd rather do than answer your letters—and that is receive and read them! I think I can find a twin for you soon. I reached home safely after the accident and I was certainly glad to get there! Please write soon again.-Aunt Patience.

Baileyville, Kans., March 25, 1934 Dear Aunt Patience: How are you? I am fine. When I wrote to you the other time, I asked my sister to join. Her name is Fleta. She is fourteen. She has been working out. I am sending in my lesson. my sister was working out so I didn't of a trained administrator. have time. For pets I have a pony, er's name so I'll tell you. It is Syl-

would like to have my twin write to terprises. me. I am ten years old. My birthday is March 31.

Your little friend, Hazel Morrison.

Dear Hazel: I enjoyed your letter so much and I'm glad you asked Fleta tion in making field studies and will to be a member and I was glad, too, assist in training regional specialists to have Sylvia Lee's name for the

Greenleaf, Kans., March 24, 1934. Dear Aunt Patience: have lost my January and February and Oklahoma and which has made and beefsteak. have lost my January and February lessons. If you have an extra copy would you please send to me. I have written a letter to my twin and he wrote back. I forget to mention he wrote back. I forget to mention the club flower the last time I wrote.

Your Junior,

Charlotte Combow. Dear Charlotte: I was so glad to find your letter together with your Opal Evelyn Couthurn.

P. S. My birthday is November 17.

Dear Opal: We've been having dust storm here for almost the entire past week. We're glad that you might be herome a Junior and I'll send.

The Soy-beans require a warm soil ings of a corporation, a movie stat a less of a distribution a year, then we to know that you like the lessons. I'm not sure that I have cutra copies of they should not be planted until about three weeks after the normal planting time for corn, says R. I. Throck-ling to have other citizens live to know that you speak, but three weeks after the normal planting time for corn, says R. I. Throck-ling the herome a Junior and I'll send.

The system will not change itself. wish to become a Junior and I'll send that you and your twin have been

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

Rice Balls 1 1-2 pounds hamburger onion, chopped, 1 teaspoon salt 1-4 teaspoon pepper 1-8 teaspoon paprika 2 slices whole wheat bread, soaked n water, but not drained. (pick bread to pieces) last meeting.

l egg 5 teaspoons rice, not cooked Mix well and shape into sausages or balls. Into a stew kettle put 2 med-

One-half cup brown sugar Three egg yolks Eight tablespoons water Two tablespoons flour Two tablespoons butter.
Two egg whites

Four tablespoons granulated sugar Put brown sugar in small skillet and melt to deeper brown without scorching. Add water and allow sugar to dissolve. Beat egg yolks very I thought you'd all be interested in to add your name to our Membership the plans which have been made by Roll—tell Vera that I congratulate flour and add to water and egg yolks. stiff, add to water. Cream butter and Cook until thick. Beat egg whites stiff and add white sugar, then fold into first mixture. Pour into baked pie shell and place in 350 degrees F. oven for fifteen minutes.

> Relish Filling (For 4 Sandwiches) 3 hard cooked eggs, diced 1-2 cup chopped celery 3 tablespoons chopped pickles 1-2 cup cheese

1-4 teaspoon salt 4 tablespoons salad dressing Mix ingredients with fork and spread on buttered slices of bread. Add bits of shredded lettuce and cover with other butter slices. Press firmly and wrap well in waxed paper.

Quick Cream Biscuits If you find, when your meal is almost ready, that the bread box is empty, stir up these biscuits in a jiffy of your family had "pink-eye"-for and bake them while the coffee perco-

2 cups sifted flour 4 teaspoons of phosphate baking powder 2 teaspoons of salt

1 egg 1 cup of sweet cream. Sift the dry ingredients together three times. Beat the egg in the mixing bowl, stir in the cream, then add the dry ingredients and mix well Drop by spoonfuls into greased muffin tins and bake in a rather quick oven for about fifteen minutes. This also makes a very good shortcake .-

Inexpensive Sponge Cake 3 eggs 1 cup sugar

1 cup cake flour 1 teaspoon baking powder 1-4 cup cold water Break ne eggs into a bowl, add the sugar and beat together ten minutes. Add the dry ingredients. which have been sifted together, alternately with the water. Bake in cake pan in slow

hour. RESEARCH AND EDUCATION SERVICE FOR FARM CO-OPS

oven, 325 degrees F., for about one

intensify the research and service received \$175,000 with no bonus. F. work now being carried on to aid farmers' cooperatives has been re- \$73,269 in 1931, \$63,605 in 1932, and ceived by the Wichita Bank for Co- \$81,000 in 1933. Albert H. Wiggin of operatives from the Cooperative Di- the Chase National Bank was paid a vision of the Farm Credit Adminis-tration in Washington. Two sections ing as a member of the Armour and have been set up, one for studying Company board of directors. the problems of cooperating market- We now come to the smaller fry ing and purchasing and one to make E. G. McDougall, president of Libby these findings directly available to McNeil and Libby, \$32,500; F. F. Firthis type of farmers' organizations. or president, Adolf-Gobel, Inc., \$25, Each unit will be under the direction 000; J. W. Rath, president, Rath Pack-

er after this and send in my lesson. Vision. It will make studies of such expense accounts, no doubt liberal, fundamental problems as capital and to dividends on stock held, no structure, elements of business man-doubt in very large volume, by offivia Lee. She is two years old. Her agement, member relationships, combirthday is December 16. She weighs petitive factors, price relationships,

The above should m and cooperative purchasing methods. 32 pounds.

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so it will be conducted as economically and effectively as possible.

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COOPERATORS TRANSACT COOPERRATIVE BUSINESS

Chicago, Ill-Ten members of the National Cooperatives, Inc., board of directors completed a number of important actions. Final details were completed for all the member regionals to sell their products under the CO-OP trade name, as agreed at the

Place Large Can Order An order for grease cans was authorized covering the requirements ium sized cans tomatoes, 1 onion sliced fine, 1-2 teaspoon alt, 1-8 teaspoon pepper, 2 tablespoons chili twe. There will be an outline map of powder. Let come to a boil. Put in the question, the cooperators have a valuable and attractive advertising medium in their new grease package. A similar package will be used for paint

> Complete Accessory Contract Several members of the National have for some time handled a considerable quantity of accessories, such as tube kits and patches and similar articles. A contract was completed covering the entire requirements of the varoious groups. These articles will be packed under the CO-OP trade mark and the pool contract gives a line of high quality products at a saving in cost. A contract for tubes also was completed.

Committees were appointed to make preliminary investigations as to the advisability of working out contracts covering the requirements of the entire group on at least one other article used extensively by their mem-bers and reports will be made at the

next morning. Before adjournment, a resolution was offered by E. G. Cort of the Midland Cooperatives which recommended that oil fields and pipe lines be taken over by the federal government as a means of avoiding waste in production, transportation and marketing of petroleum products on the part of major oil companies which waste operates to the detriment of consumers and causes a demoralized condition in the industry. The resolution proposed this procedure as a means of correlating output with demand and eliminating unfair competitive practices. The resolution was adopt-

WHO PAYS THESE LARGE SALARIES AND BONUSES?

The following was clipped from the Farmers Union Herald, published in St. Paul. Minnesota:

Continuing its investigation and publication of salaries paid to business executives, the Government has released the following figures dealing with salaries and bonuses paid to officials of the meat packing industry:
Swift and Company, Louis F. Swift,
president, \$50,000; Edw. F. Swift,
\$40,000; Chas. A. Swift, \$30,000; H. their salaries as vice presidents. L. regulation of hog or corn production

A. Carton, treasurer, \$50,000. Cudahy Packing Co., E. A. Cudahy, chairman of the board of directors, E. A. Cudahy, Jr., vice president, and G. E. Shepherd, each \$50,000. Wilson and Company, Thos. E. Wil-

son, president \$125,0000. Armour and Company, F. E. White president, received \$125,000 in 1929 Announcement of plans that will and a bonus of \$63,098. In 1930 White

ing Co., \$20,000.
The readers will please remember The research section will carry on the fact-finding activities of the di-

The above should make pleasant reading to farmers who have had the

And do you now wonder why the delegates to the Minnesota Farmer-The service and education will be Labor convention voted for public ow-And here's another thing to remember. While the officials of the

packing plants were drawing fat salaries, dividing juicy bonuses among themselves and sharing in dividends assist in training regional specialists on watered stock, there were more to serve local cooperatives if desired than 10,000,000 unemployed heads of than 10,000,000 unemployed heads of Cradle Roll. There seems to be a great many differences of opinion All national, regional, or other coabout the picture—I believe there are operatives interested in such services ly would these unemployed have purpicture, as those who are sure that it as are available may request the types chased and eaten the farmers' meat if they had only possessed the price of a pork chop or a slice of bacon.

Never during the weary years of unemployment did these unemployed millions taste any good meat until the Federal Relief Administration began I will write you a few lines while I send in my March lessons. I have found the lessons very interesting. I

that I voted for the forget-me-not for ers' marketing and purchasing as- have and to keep 85 per cent of the sociations asking for help with management and operating problems. He says further that the bank at Wichita, Kansas, is glad to be of any such ita, Kansas, is glad to be of any such itans the people are willing to uphold service possible free of the people are willing to uphold a system whereby we pay a banker \$40,000 to attend a few board meet-Soy-beans require a warm soil ings of a corporation, a movie star a

TRIPLE "A" FACTS

Questions and answers by H. Um berger, Director, Kansas State College Extension Service)

Question: Why was the wheat alotment plan reopened?

Answer: It was reopened because many producers who were unable, or unwilling, to sign contracts last fall, asked for another opportunity to sign. Also, there was an equally insistent demand from producers with only one year's production in the base period for a modified plan that would give signers is expected to complete contracts in the next 10 or 12 days. Question: Will the improved pur-

wheat surplus situation? Answer: My answer to that is "no." Figures indicate that the domestic consumption of wheat has averaged 525 million bushels over a period of several years and that consumption of wheat products actually increases

Answer: No, a revolving fund of during depression periods, since people are unable to buy a great variety of other foods.

Question: What has been the cost

of carrying out the wheat plan in Kansas? Answer: I don't have figures for the Federal office of the Agricultural central office here in Kansas amounted to one-tenth of one cent a bushel. market for the next 30 days, says With county budgets not all totaled, Vance M. Rucker, Extension Marketthe closest estimate of local costs is ing Specialist, Kansas State College. an average of about one cent per

plan affected any actual reduction?
Answer: Yes. Figures from the Bureau of Crop Estimates show that the estimated 1934 crop for Kansas will be above the 1933 production, but the estimated 1933 production, but the show that the restriction of the show the the reduction was made on the basis ing the next 30 days. There is a of the five-year average production from 1928 to 1932, rather than on last year's crop. That average was about 177 million bushels. The estimated production for Kansas in 1934 is 127 million bushels, a reduction of 28 per cent under the five-year average. Wheat acreage in Kansas was reduced 11.4 per cent below the three-year av-

Question: Are Kansas farmers generally supporting the corn-hog reduction plan?

Answer: Yes. According to the latest report received from the various counties, approximately 96 per cent of the farms on which hogs are produced are represented by applications for corn-hog reduction con-tracts. More than 88 per cent of the hogs produced in Kansas, as listed by the census report of the State Board of Agriculture, is included in the 78,-

113 applications already made. Question: Does the corn-hog contract obligate the producer for more than one year? It was even asked if the contract gave the Secretary of

Answer: The contract is only for one year, 1934, and any additional will require a new contract, a contract which no producer will be forced to

Question: Does the Government intend to delay making corn-hog bene-fit payments until after planting time, and then default?

Answer: No. Payments are sched-uled to be made in a few days to con-

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tract signers in Marion County, Iowa, and payments will be made in Kansas just as soon as contracts can be completed and sent to Washington, D. C. Corn producers who have not grown

Such a procedure would be a vio-lation of their contract, and they would be compelled to return all adjustment payments received for cornhog reduction. The reason is that, in signing the corn-hog reduction contract, they agreed not to increase the them an opportunity to cooperate.
This plan has been revised and is meeting with general approval. Although more than 12 million acres of the average. Not having a wheat base, they could not sow wheat acreage of any basic commodity crop Kansas wheat land are now under con- this fall on contracted acreage withtract, and only slightly more than one out violating the contract. Should a million acres yet remain to be cov-ered, a considerable number of new sow up to his permissible acreage of producer have a wheat base, he could wheat on the contracted acreage with out violating the contract, or he could sow wheat next spring, since the conchasing power of consumers solve the tract would have terminated by that

Question: Is there some truth the rumor that corn-hog contract signers will be forced to accept cheap government bonds in lieu of cash for Answer: No, a revolving fund of several hundred million dollars has

been provided to handle all adjustment payments pending the receipt of sufficient returns from the various commodity processing taxes.

STEADY CATTLE PRICES The present outlook indicates steady Administration, but the cost for the fat cattle prices and some further strength in the stocker and feeder There are fewer cattle on feed than there were a year ago. Feeders, re-Question: Has the wheat allotment membering that cattle prices were

good demand for two-way cattle, in-

dicating that some animals are go-ing out for short feeding.

Corn prices will probably strength-en because of the 170 million bushels wheat during the base years are planning, in some cases, on letting their contracted corn acreage lie idle this cattle fed, a factor which should summer, preparatory to sowing it to wheat this fall.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES

LETTER FROM SHIPPS

Belleville, Kans., April 29, 1934

The air is so dry it makes broadcast difficult, however I just want to let the world know Republic County Farmers Union folks are on the map. I have previously stated we will

get this job done in this county and am now dead sure of it. Island, Highland, Wayne, Agenda Locals all going and growing. Another soon at Jefferson Center, and one in Belleville. County Secretary Hanzlick and I decided we would have to organize one here and we have enough members in sight to start off with. Mr. Geo. Bushby, who is a member of the insurance board said to count him in. We folks in Republic County are

day night at Lovewell, Kansas. They will soon double their membership interested in the program because we feel it's up to us to do something ourselves, and in a way to make our ef-WARD AT CENTRALIA

We are none too pleased with some of the policies of some of our hired servants, who do not work to the best interest of Kansas farmers. And to those of you who live in districts wherein representatives get their support, and those representatives either fight such legislation as the Frazier Bill, or do nothing toward enacting such legislation, when it means so much to not only the farmers, but to our entire nation, we ask that you get out the axe, in the coming election, and in their stead, elect such men an interesting meeting, and every as will work in our behalf. Don't let farmer and business man should Wirt deals get you much away from the principal issue, which is Na-

tional recovery.

going to build.

With prosperous farmers, and re-

employed millions, we will have hap-

py contented homes. Happy content-

workers breed anarchy. In a country

like ours we have a chance to win

we have the resources. Mr. Industrial-

ist and Mr. Laboring Man have their

troubles and they band themselves to-gether each in his own group to solve

their problems, and they solve them.

Mr. farmer must organize for the

same reason and together solve their

problems. Once properly organized, they can demand and get justice, and

believe me, they are going to do it.

The Farmers Union is their friend,

and they now realizeit. Yes, we are

I was happy to be able to organize

a local for Jewell county last Tues

Yours for greater membership.

Cal Ward, president of the Kansas

Farmers Union, will be the principal

speaker at the regular quarterly

meeting of the Nemaha County Farm

ers Union, on Wednesday evening,

May 9, at 7:30 p. m. The meeting will be held in McIntire Hall, Centralia.

make an effort to attend.

Judd E. Shipps.

-August Boeding, Sec.

homes do not breed communism. Unhappy homes and discontented

Leo Keating-Marshall Co Ks

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY Stafford County

Whereas, God, in His all wise pro vidence has seen fit to remove from our midst, Mrs. S. A. Amend, a forhe members of North Star Local, No 1979, and the mother of our local secretary,, Mr. Ira B. Amend.

Therefore, be it resolved that we he members of North Ctar Local, No. 1979, extend to the family our sincere sympathy in their time of sor-

And be it resolved that a copy of hese resolutions be sent to the famly Mr. and Mrs. Ira B. Amend, Mrs. P. F. Wesley and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Galloway, and a copy be sent to The Kansas Union Farmer for publication and a copy to be spread upon the minutes at our next ocal meeting.

> Mrs. Bert E. Winchester Mrs. Homer Fortner Mrs. Joe Dole.

NOTICE-OTTAWA COUNTY FOR COUNTY MEETING

The regular annual meeting of the ttawa County Farmers Union will held in the I. O. O. F. hall in Mineapolis, Kansas, on Friday night, May 4, commencing at 8 o'clock in the

Members are urged to come, and A short musical program will be a visitors are welcome. A good program feature of the evening. This will be is being planned and a lunch will be

> Abe Pickering, president. J. A. Myers, secretary.

LIBERTY LOCAL IS GROWING

Liberty Local in Stafford county was pleased to have with us on April 24, Mr. Whitaker, a representative of the Farmers Cooperative Cream-ery of Colony, Kansas. Mr. Whitaker encouraged the marketing of produce through Farmers Union channels. Provision is being made to enter-tain Stafford County Union at Liberty on May 1st. Ball games, a basket dinner and a literary and business pro-gram will be features of the all day

A seed and implement exchange has been a helpful project of this local, and is especially popular at this sea-

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New song books are being pur-chased for the union, to facilitate better cooperation and more interest in the opening exercises of each meet-

Liberty Local was especially formembership. We also extend a hearty greeting and good wishes for a profitable year to every department of the Kansas Farmers Cooperative Union.

STONE LOCAL 792 MET

Stone Local 792 meeting scheduled for April 24 was held at the West Sand Creek school house, in place of at the Elza Mendenhall home as planned, as Delbert was entertaining

The meeting was called to order by the president. Several songs were sung by all. Next was the business session. After the business meeting, Mr. Charles, the county agent for Rooks county, from Stockton, gave a very interesting talk on 4-H club

The egg market has remained fairly steady. Fresh Gathered Extra Firsts opened the week at 16 1-2 cents work and several other topics.

After the speaking, Mr. and Mrs the lady members took charge and served coffee and pie to all present. There were 60 present.

At a late hour we adjourned to Zurich in the basement of the school house. All members are requested to come; and any one who wishes to join the Union, we surely welcome

Mrs M. E. Thomas, Cor. Secy.

FRANK CHAPIN LIKES MRS. WARD'S LETTERS

We have been reading Mrs. Ward's letters with much interest and have enjoyed her experiences as we vis-Trust" and many other trusts assemble for various reasons. The wonder to me is the escape from losing both

Ill., was our home town for five years, and the trip from Kansas through IIlinois tallied with my journey from that state to Kansas 60 years ago.

No, we are not so young now as we were then. All of these 64 years, we've just been watching Kansas grow. At that time, Salina was scarcely on the map; but Abilene was the Texas cattle shipping point, and pertinent and significant questions really a live town. And now to realize Kansas has seen fit to send such steer the U.S. Congress through this

'wilderness of woe.' Then we wonder how, after having lost the watch, and after its return, Mrs. Ward was also safely rescued, for small folks are usually rather ob-

entire surroundings must have furnished you an unusual inspiration. We had the pleasure of wetting our feet in the waters of the great Atlantic Ocean, which was the inspiration of our trip. Then to meet friends you had never met before. But friends are found everywhere if we are also

friendly. One can scarcely realize the size of our country until a trip across it brings this to view. About 48 hours ride by train takes one a long dis-

Behind the enjoyment of your trip, Mrs. Ward, is the further fact that the mission of your husband and you was one of vital influence, for we must realize the destiny of our nation largely depends on such legislation as the Farmers Union and kindred organizations have been contending for for many years. And the wives of these officials have had much influence in shaping the trend

sas stands in the middle of the list of states, inscribed in such a conspicuous place. Kansas has played no small part in blazing the way for righteous legislation, behind which the women of our state stand as a home guard—yes, small women, if you please, several of whom find their names high up the scale of the state of the same holds true to more or less degree in a good many other farm products. Farmers should give this matter serious consideration. We are never going to accomplish what we want in regard to the narrowing of the spread between products. states, inscribed in such a conspicutheir names high up the scale of progress. So, this calls up that volume with the title, "Little Women."
Now, Mrs. Ward, please accept this little notice as really complimentary, as it is so intended. Rest assured that we, as well as hundreds of others, appreciate your eastern pen sketches. Bear in mind that you have a wide, extended audience; and al-though the writer had met you only

once, we enjoyed your letters.
So we conceived the idea of speakng a word of praise for your effort. When you have an opportur visit southern Kansas, you will find a kindly welcome from the Hackney people. If you look closely, you may find Hackney on the ma

Sincerely, Frank A. Chapin. Winfield, Kansas.

LIEBENTHAL LOCAL MEETS

Liebenthal Local held its regular ousiness meeting Thursday, April 19. The president asked the secretary-

BUTTER AND EGG MARKET LETTER By P. L. Betts
Dairy & Poultry Cooperatives
Inc.

Week Ending April 25, 1934 The butter market has been very firm and an advancing one during the current week. Extras opened 21 3-4 cents and had three advances during the week closing at 23 cents, having reached that price first on the 24th. and remaining unchanged at that today. Standards opened at 22 1-4 cents and advanced to 23 cents.. 89 score cars opened at 21 1-2 cents advancing to 22 1-2 cents. 88 score cars opened

at 21 cents advancing to 22 cents.. The main factors responsible for the advance have been continued light tunate in their membership drive this receipts, unusually dry April weather tunate in their membership drive this spring having taken in over seventy new members. This statement corrects a former report crediting us with a much smaller increase in winds and dust storms that have done considerable damage. Also the belief is quite current that where rainfall has been lacking during the month of April, regardless of the rainfall late in the season, they will have light pastures and hay crops owing to the late start and hot weather usually coming on soon after. As long as this condition remains, butter prices will probably hold steady with the possibility of even some further advance with the further possibility of perhaps some immediate decline should rains become general over the producing area. In other words we have a weather market.

advancing to 16 3-4 cents, then losing 1-2 cent on the 24th, dropping back to Elza Mendenhall and Mr. and Mrs. 16 1-4 cents, and remaining unchang-Leo Thomas sang a selection. Then ed at that today. Fresh Firsts opened at 16 cents, advanced 1-4 cent, then losing 1-2 cent, and closing at 15 3-4 cents. Current Receipts opened at 15 cents and closed at 14 1-2 cents.. Dirtmeet May 1 at the Eureka school ies closed at 13 1-4 cents and Checks house, and in 2 weeks, May 8, at at 13 cents, both grades having lost 1-2 cent during the week.

Egg production is still running somewhat under a year ago and the holdings in cold storage to date are some less than on even date last year.

General Remarks

In some line of farm products at least there is still a tremendous spread between what the producer gets for his production and what the ultimate consumer pays for them after being processed and marketed. ioned her journeyings about that We insert herewith an editorial copied from a recent edition of the Omaha World Herald.

"Here are some figures that should packages, the watch and its owner. In 1932 American consumers paid at However, we are glad both arrived retail \$1.656,000,000 for most The interest Nebraska and Iowa farmers. retail \$1,656,000,000 for meat. The A few years ago we, too, took a trip much like her trip. On this last trip we passed through several haunts of our boyhood, back to our starting place near Dayton, Ohio, Decatur, The p packers paid 861 million dollars for mates of the United States department of agriculture quoted in a speech by R. C., Ashby, associate chief of live stock marketing at the Uni-

versity of Illinois. "These figures do not of themselves prove anything. They do not even necessarily create any kind of pre-sumption. They do, however, raise live stock marketed, processed and a fine delegation to Washington to finally distributed as meat to the ultimate consumer. Is the service performed in turning 721 million dollars worth of live animals into meat and delivering it to the consumer's table

justifiably worth 935 million dollars?
"That is the spread between pro-The trip to the top of Washington
Monument must have been the experience of your life, Mrs. Ward. The trip to the top of Washington of the consumer's dollar. The other tends of the consumer's dollar. The other trip to the spread between product is the spread between product i of the consumer's dollar. The other 56.5 cents go to those through whose hands the animal passes after it leaves the farm. Approximately 8.4 cents is spent in transporting the animal to market and selling it there. The packer and the retail butcher divide most of the remaining 48.1 cents for slaughtering and dressing the animal and dividing it up into steaks, chops, roasts, stews, sausage, ham-

burger and what not. "This 56.5 cents may be too great a cost to pay for the services per-formed or it may not. That remains o be found out. Strong suspicion exists at both ends of the line that it is. The farmer believes he receives too little for his stock, the consumer that

he pays too much for his meat.
"If these figures occurred on a manufacturer's cost sheet efficiently experts would very soon tell him whether they were justified or not, and if not where the leak was.

"The public, and that means both of this New Deal.
On thing is quite significant, and that is the fact that the name of Kanneeds an efficiency expert.' producer and consumer who have a mutual interest in knowing the truth,

The above editorial was based on meat, however, the same holds true er and consumer as long as such a large percentage of our farmers still persist in refusing to market through cooperative channels. This situation could be materially improved immed-

reported they had appointed Peter J. Herman as manager. The plan is to pay the manager \$25 per car, and the manager is to pay his own expenses. He reported it will cost about 10 cents per cwt. to ship. He also reported they would charge 2 cents per hun-dred for the reserve fund. When the secretary asked for an opinion from the members Henry Herman made the motion that the committee be given a free hand to go ahead. The motion carried.

Our picnic was discussed and it was decided not to have it this year on account of lack of funds. President Stephen Hermn said Rex Lear wanted to be here and speak on life insurance, but for some reason could not

treasurer of the shipping association Refreshments were served at to report on what has been done. He close of the meeting—J. Enslinger. Refreshments were served at the

iately if our farmers would not continue to supply ammunition to those who are working day and night to defeat our cooperative program and by so doing defeat the farmers.

Every cooperative farmer should become an earnest advocate of the cause and do everything possible to convince his indifferent neighbor who is continually peddling his produce to the enemy that he is the main factor in defeating the whole program. One of the things you can do is to call his attention to the above quotation from the Omaha World Herald.

MRS. WARD'S LETTER

(continued from page 1) in 1846 through the generosity of James Smithson, an Englishman, ,who in 1829 bequeathed his entire property to the United States of America, found at Washington under the name of the Smithsonian Institution. The Smithsonian building is constructed of reddish brown sandstone. It is 447 by 160 feet and the highest of its nine towers is 145 feet. The old museum building is 325 feet square, covering two and one third acres. In here we saw the airplane in which Lindy made the non-stop flight, also a glass case containing all the equipment he had along with him.

In the main room near the entrance was the great, large statue of Freedom, which stands on a dome shaped base of bronze. The statue is 19 feet and 6 inches high. It is sure a beautiful statue.

Another thing, bringing back the sad memories of the sinking of the Maine, was a great collection of relics taken from it. Some of the things were dishes, compass, clock, rifle, light fixtures, typewriter, bugle, picture frames, and half of the steering

In the vehicle room was an old cart which was used for freight transportation coming from Pembina, North Dakota in 1882.

Another thing of interest was a carriage used by President Wilson and Theodore Roosevelt. Another is a sedan chair used in Constantino-

There were in the different wings of the museum assortments of knives. dishes, silver ware, drugs, buttons, clothing, all kinds of woven clothes, and hundreds of soldiers' uniforms and thousands of things we cannot take space to mention. Another thing I want to mention to the adies interested in quilts, none of us have seen close quilting until you see the ones in this museum.

Morning of February 23, Cal got home from New York. A group of men were invited to go there over Washington's birthday. We women folks had planned to go, but there was such a snow storm so we did not. Mrs. Clifford Hope called on me this morning and we planned to visit a part of Zoological Park, which is just across the street from the apartment where we were.

In the afternoon I went to the Folger Shakespeare Library building which is a beautiful building and contains no books only those pertaining grammar school. There was a large glass case of little Christs, beautifully carved, made of the wood of a muberry tree planted by Shakespeare There was an iron chest about 2 1-2 feet by 18 inches with a heavy lid. This was used in the Balasco Revival of Merchant of Venice.

There was a little arm chair made of the pews of a church in his time. There was a Lute in one case made

On Saturday February 24 I stayed t home all forenoon and went to the Pan-American Union building in the in egg size.

afternoon. It is one of the most beautiful buildings in the world. It was erected at a cost of \$1,000,000. The Union is an international organization maintained by the twenty-one American republics, including, Argentine, Bolevia, Brazil, Chili, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Guatemala, Haiti, Ĥonduras, Mexico, Nicaragua,, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Salvador, United States,, Uruguay and Venezuela. It is devoted to the development and conservation of commerce, friendly

On the second floor is a gallery of National standards and patriots. Hanging from the ceiling are the flags of all the American Republics.

intercourse and good understanding

among them.

On either side of this and along the walls of the galleries are the busts of patriots and heroes. The large assembly hall or auditorium, known as "The Hall of the Americas" is said to be the most beautiful room of the kind in the United States.

This large conference room had 16 colonades in it, beautiful block work floor, one large chandelier and small-

er on either side. There were upholstered chairs, with gold color wood work, setting all around the walls of the room. The room was 100 feet by 70 feet. In this room the great Inter-American con-ferences are held. In the adjoining room of beautiful interior decorations was a long mahogany table 20 feet long and 9 feet wide with large massive chairs around it. I counted 22 of them, and there is a plate of metal on the back of each with the names of these different Republics. There is

a chair for each representative. From here we again passed through the gallery of flags on down to the basement where I saw a large glass case full of nothing but cigars and stuff made of tobacco, which was brought from the World's fair. In here also was samples of the prod-

ucts of the American Republics. I also saw a speciman of a Columbus Memorial Lighthouse to be erected in Santo Domingo. It will be a cross-shaped Memorial lighted so as to show a large cross, with a brilliant light in the center. It was patent-

ed by a 22-year-old man or boy. From here I went to the Corcoran Art Gallery, which contained an endess assortment of painting and statues, statues from men down to nearly every creeping thing of bronze and

stone. One room was decorated with Persian style of furniture and rugs made

in the 15th century.

From here I walked several blocks passing the White House grounds from two sides. I came to the one corner of the executive grounds where the old Peanut Vender was who some tried to chase from this spot. I bought 25c worth of peanuts from

In the evening we went to the Talbotts for a little party, and had a very nice evening. Several were there. (continued)

Numerous factors are known to to Shakespeare. It also has a large affect the size of hen's eggs, accordassortment of relics. There was a ta- ing to D. C. Warren, poultry genetible over 300 years old used in a cist, Kansas State College. He says that feed does not have a very important influence, since a ration which is at all adequate will not affect the egg size. The tendency to lay large or small eggs is known to be inherited. The age at which a pullet starts to lay will also have a bearing on her egg size as an adult, since birds which start to lay when very young are likely to produce smaller eggs throughout life than those which start prodoction later. Excessively high summer temperatures are known to cause a decrease

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