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F. U. LIVESTOCK COMPANY IS IN THE FRONT RANKS

Front Ranks in the Service to its Customers; and it is

Always Striving to Put Itself in Position to Render

Better Service---It is Your Own Company and

Every Farmers Union Member Should be Proud of It

problems fr. a producing and marketing standpoint, have equipped Mr. Little to give the very

highest type of service possible. This training, together with his natural ability and his sincere

Mr. Little is not a man who is prone to jump from one job to another. On the contrary, he

On January 1, 1908, when Mr. Little became associated with one of the leading live stock

Mr. Little is not taking any one's place in the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Company

Bob Lieurance, who has been the steer salesman for the Farmers Union Live Stock Commis-

Both Mr. Little and Mr. Lieurance extend their services further than the confines of the

With these two gentlemen in the Farmers. Union steer alleys, and with the continued good

stock yards. They believe in keeping in personal touch with the farmers and feeders. They be-

They have a natural interest in the farmer, and feel a natural fellowship with them, for they both

are originally from the farm. Mr. Lieurance was a farmer and a live stock shipper in Woodson

services of Johnnie Hannon in the butcher alleys, and Freddie Seager still selling the calves, and

with Frank Sparks in charge of the order buying department, the Farmers Union Live Stock Com-

mission Company is in the best position it ever has been to offer super service to its ever-growing list

of customers interested in marketing cattle. All of these men are glad to have men who are in-

the course of a year or two, he was placed in charge of the butcher alleys for his firm. In 1918.

he took charge of the steer alleys for his firm, and from that time until he elected to become as-

force. The organization remains the same as before, as far as the sales force is concerned, with

Mr. Little's services as an addition and not as a substitution. Mr. Little has a large following

sociated with the Farmers Union firm he sold the fat steers for his firm.

Company of Kansas City, as steer salesman.

An announcement that has created a great deal of interest and which has brought out

# A LEGGE REPLY

Farm Board Chairman Invites Attention that matter in most of the United training and of studying market conditions, coupled with a full understanding of the farmer's tion of Union Head to the Price of Wheat in Answering His

Charges. Washington Bureau The Kansas City Star 610 Albee Builling

(By The Star's Correspondent) WASHINGTON, Jan. 2—Alexander Legge, chairman of the federal farm board, in his reply to John A. Simpson of Oklahoma, President of the Farmers Union, made public today, follows the adage that the "soft answer turneth away wrath."

Instead of repeating the charge the farmer produces. None of the farthat Simpson was an 'unmitigated liar," Legge merely branded the quotation made by the farm board leader of Legge's testimony before the senate committee on agriculture as "absolutely untrue." The farm board passed without comment Simpson's assertion that Legge "strutted like a 2-cent Mussolini.

farmers from a further exchange of personalities between us," Legge wrote. "It would be highly improper" in farmer earnings of farmer earnings of farmer earnings in this territory will follow him to the solution and not as a substitution. Mr. Little has a large following among the cattle producers in Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Colorado and Missouri. Naturally, a large portion of the business provided by his many friends in this territory will follow him to the shippers who already are returned to the large following. for me to enter into any discussion of what was said in an executive session

Points to Wheat Price. "Entirely aside from anything which happened at this meeting, isn't it rather absurd to accuse us of trying to depress the price of wheat at Taxes absorb the net rent of many tion you are aligning yourself with ers in Kansas and Iowa, nearly 3 out

been introduced in congress asking erty through bankruptcy or forefor an investigation of the farm board, closure." ate traders in grain and cotton have and 80 per cent of all state and local county, Kansas, before becoming associated with the Farmers Union firm as a salesman some but have been informed that the privbeen trying to have such a resolution revenues were obtained by a general introduced. Do you wish to place yourself in the position of supporting their activities? So far as the board is concerned we have nothing to conceal and have always tried to furnish to leigh Foundation: the various committees of congress such information as they have asked the United States has any industry or for. Should they wish to make a special investigation they will receive the fullest co-operation from us. **Invites Test of Success** 

"Of course we would be sorry to see the administration of the agricultural marketing act drawn into par- that couldn't possibly miss fire. It is Banks and insurance companies tisan politics. This act was passed by equalization of taxes. This can't come the friends of agriculture without refrom Washington, it must come from gard to party lines. The board has the legislation and the assessor. taken no part in political activities of any kind. The job assigned us is the taxes and how much he pays, take to assist the farmer in building and a look at this little list. It shows how Manufacturers pay .......13.9 per cent state have a larger membership, inoperating his own marketing system crude and unfair our present system

The farmer pays more than 65 per cluding the lady members, but this operating his own marketing system so that he will get the full market value for his products and to aid him in The farmer and lot owner other ways to place the industry of ag-riculture on a permanently sound fi-Mining industry pays.....45.4 per cent nancial basis. Our work is being done Railroads and utilities pay. the way we believe to be in the best interests of the producer and we are Hotels and professions pay (Continued on page 4)

NOTICE LOCAL SECRETARIES | The Farmers Union Livestock Company Has Always Been in the

The dues for 1931 are owing January 1st. You will collect from each adult dues paying member for 1931, dues \$2.75. Of this amount, remit \$1.95 to the State Office and retain in the local treasury 80

## WE MUST MAKE TAXES FAIRER much favorable comment among Farmers Union live stock patrons is the announcement of the fact that Mr. Art H. Little is now associated with the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission

Back East, in wealthy New York state, the state tax commissioner, Mark Graves, finds much the same haps as many stress as any man who ever served in the capacity of steer salesman on the Kansas situation we have out here and for City stock y. vds. Some say he has sold more steers than any other man on the yards. Years of

States. Although New York state is the 2,800 millionaires and billionaires— desire to render efficient service, has had a great deal to do with the record Mr. Little has been richest state in the union and has in the last 12 years Mr. Graves finds able to establish. the increase of taxes is 2 1-2 times greater in New York state's rural communities than in the wealthy pop- has been associated with one firm continuously since 1908; and that firm, due largely to Mr.

That is the usual thing, quite cuslong span of years. He came to the Kansas City stock yards from a farm in Iowa, when he was but a boy. His first stock yards duties were those of a yard boy. After three years work as a yard tomary everywhere.

The farmer makes his living from real property, right out where the assessor can see it and where he can a position to learn every angle of trading as it is carried on at the stock yards. see all the crops and livestock that mer's living comes from untaxed cou- commission companies at Kansas City, he went to work as assistant butcher cattle salesman. In pons, from unseen, therefore untaxed wealth.

And because this is so, the law and the lawmakers are more to blame than anybody else.

Pretty soon they will be compelled to remedy this confiscation of farmer

when his taxes absorb 31 per cent of his net receipts less the value of his labor, and when his net income aver-labor, and when his net income aver-labor, and when his net income aver-labor. In fact, the cattle business of the Farmers Union to repeat most emphatically that the ages \$669 a farm family, as it did in firm has been increasing right along, and now there are two steer salesmen, second to none, emstatements you have been using as the United States in the crop year having been made by me at this hear-ing are absolutely untrue.

| Ages poos a larm lammy, as it did in ployed by the firm to take care of the ever increasing business, and to make doubly good the promise of the united States Department of Agri-

a time when the domestic markets are individual farms and sometimes more. er, who keeps the best interests of the customer in mind at all times. He is thoroughly ac-25 to 35 cents a bushel above what it In 1924 the Federal Trade Comquainted with the market conditions on the Kansas City market and on other markets, and is a would bring if exported today? Don't mission declared in an official report you realize that in taking this posi- that "nearly one-fourth of the farmthe interests which are so bitterly op- of every 10 in Nebraska, nearly 4 out posing all efforts to aid agriculture of every 10 in South Dakota, over half of those in North Dakota, and 5 lieve in being of all the service possible from the time the cattle go on grass or in the feed lots "So far as I know no resolution has out of 8 in Montana lost their prop- up until they are weighed over the stock yards scales and the producer has his money in his pocket

During this time taxes were rising property tax, also 80 per cent of local

revenues were so obtained. Let me quote here a statement made by the statisticians of the Raw-

Probably never in the history of group been required for so long a terested in marketing cattle to write to them for market advice. They are glad to keep their time to pay a constantly increasing amount of taxes while its resources have been so constantly shrinking.

And this includes land values. There is one form of farm relief If you would like to know who pays

28.0 per cen

### The Largest Locals ..24.0 per cent Construction and builders

friends posted on market conditions, and want them to feel free to write at any time.

true cooperator, believing in and practicing the principles of cooperative marketing.

largest locals of dues paying members Inaugural Ceremonies for Governor-as listed below. Many locals over the elect Harry H. Woodring and other The farmer pays more than 65 per cent of all local and state taxes, the

members. banker pays 24 per cent, the merchant 16 per cent, the manufacturer not Thomas county Fairdale local 927......158 members quite 14 per cent. All pay too much, probably. But the banker, the mer-chant and the manufacturer can and Marshall county

Herkimer local 1002.... 149 members do pass a part of their taxes on to Lane county added cost to the goods they sell him or the service they render him. He cannot hand any of his back when it

Quinter local 1095. comes his turn to sell because he can- McPherson county

not put the price on his stuff. He has to sell it almost always in competi-Udall local 2013. This is old stuff, of course, but the Rush county average citizen so often forgets it, Banner local 955.

and the average legislator has been Marion county shutting his eyes to it for more than Cowley county

We obtained this kind of a taxation system a hundred years ago when nearly everybody owned land or other Dickinson county visible property.

the already overtaxed farmer as an

seven years ago.

pay ..

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tion with the world.

generation.

Wholesale and retail merchants

Now in most states, the people who get their incomes from land are in the minority. Among the others are the wealthiest people we have. They are owners of intangible property, great bulk of which escapes taxation because it is unseen and because its owners do not choose to pay the full rate of the general property tax up
Trie Farmer's Onion Buttar Insurance of the Broadcasting hour over WIBW next paper especially for the farmer.

The Farmer's Onion Buttar Insurance Accurate information on markets, and in fact, is a daily news—Accurate information on markets, and in fact, is a daily news—accurate information on markets, and information on markets, and information on markets, and information on markets in the fact, is a dail on it. That would be what they call "confiscatory," yet it is much confiscatory for the farmer, and he pays it or loses his farm.

New York state's board of assess ors, in official reports, have this to say of the general property tax which plunders many others besides the

"It is a reproach to the state, an outrage upon the people, a disgrace to dividual civilization, and worthy only of an age of mental and moral darkness and degradation, when the only rights were those of the equal robber."

Woodring Inaugural

TOPEKA, Kan., January 5-(Spec

state officials, who will be sworn int

Inaugural Ceremonies will take

place in the city auditorium at high

noon, followed by a grand reception

Bands and drum corps from all

parts of the state have arranged to

take part in the massive parade from

the State House to the City Auditor-

ium for the Inaugural Service. Dur

ing the afternoon concerts by all visit

evening reception.

Services.

ing music organizations will be broad-

Mayor W. O. Rigby is in charge of

arrangements, and issues a cordial invitation to all fellow citizens of Kan-

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tions, I wish you would mention the

Kansas Union Farmer; and to those

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check in to us, giving your post of-

one year or \$9.00 for two years.

at the State House in the evening.

office Monday, January 12.

We have gone over our records as of December 31, 1930 and find the ten ial)—Topeka is dressing up for the list is made up of 1930 dues paying

Healy local 1400. .116 members Gove county

Northside local 1061...

Prairie View local 2105 77 members Kellogg local 1809..

.79 members

...76 members

Carlton local 1911... January 9 Radio Program

The Farmers Union Mutual Insurlisten to the fine program that will be given at that time.

The remedy is a wider distribution of you who are not now subscribers, of the tax burden with taxes levied but are going to be, will you not menaccording to ability to pay.

tion the fact, in sending in your re-That goes for all new forms of tax- mittance, that you are a member of ation which may be attempted. It is the Kansas Farmers Union. one way of lowering taxes for the in-

The fairest of the state taxes for intangible wealth is an income tax, for it taxes the owner of such property according to his ability to pay. That is well said, it is correct. How There can be no equality of taxation fice and rural route, and we will forlong then are we going to keep it up? without such a tax.—Kansas Farmer. ward it on to their office.

### American Warehouse Men's Association that it urge other members of its organization to follow the example of its New York chapter

in condemning speculation in dairy

NO LETUP, LEGGE SAYS

Farm Board to Go Straight Ahead

With Program for Agriculture.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2-Chair-

man Legge today served notice up-on critics of the farm board that that agency intends going "straight ahead" with the program

it believes of most benefit to agri-At the same time W. F. Schilling,

board member for the dairy indus-

try, said he would suggest to the

Mr. Little comes to the Farmers Union firm with a record of having handled and sold perproducts. A third development came with the publication of a letter from Chester H. Gray, President of the American Farm Bureau Federation. saving that organization oppose any amendment of the farm board law at the present time.—Kansa City Times.

# Little's efforts, has been one of the leading live stock firms on the Kansas City stock yards for a FARMERS UNION

Representatives of eleven Farmers Union States assembled at St. Paul January 2, and took action on statements made by John A. Simpson, National President of the Farmers Union concerning the Mar-keting Act and the Federal Farm

Simpson alleges that Chairman Legge of the Farm Board made certain statements before the Senate Committee on Agriculture which Mr. Legge denies and has used the terms "unmitigated liar" in reply to Mr. Simpson. The controversy involves the fundamentals of the Marketing Act and the policy of the Farm Board. '

The group of States appointed an investigating committee of five to visit Washington to determine the facts and make a report. The four members of the committee representing the 11 states which are cooperating with the Farm Callahan, President of the Illinois Farmers Union, A. M. Young, President of the Wisconsin Farmers Union, and M. W. Thatcher, General Manager of the Farmers Union Terminal Association. In addition to these four representatives T. E. Howard of Denver, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the National Union, also accepts position on the committee.

The committee will investigate all matters pertaining to the administration of the federal marketing act. We want to settle once and for all the facts in connection with the farm board's activities. Congressmen, senators, farm board, members, and any others whom we feel might be able to assist in giving us the facts will be interviewed. The Legge-Simpson controversy has brought to a head the determination for an investigation. Members of the group will meet in Chicago Wednesday and expect to

reach Washington Thursday. States represented at the conference were Minnesota, Montana, North and South Dakota, Kansas, Illinois, Missouri, Washin Idaho, Oregon and Wisconsin. Washington,

## Looking Ahead in Farm Marketing

By Vance Rucker Extension Marketing Specialist,

Since 1908, the livestock market fter the holidays, in all but one rear, has been weaker than the martet before the holidays. Quite often the weakness just before and after Christmas is followed by recoveries in early January which provides an outlet for anything fat enough to be past the two-way market. The risks of helding after this period of recovery, a castons pleased in a prominent possible of the content cast over Topeka's radio station WIBW, which also will broadcast the holding after this period of recovery, which usually comes, are too great to warrant holding anything that is in the wall behind the table was a large sas to attend the state wide Inaugural

proportion of cattlemen to short feed fornia co-operators informing A number of our members, I am rather than make good cattle, that a line of the best dried fruit, sure, already are subscribers of the Daily Drovers Telegram. It brings to away from times when there were growers, with the same ideals and you the direct United Press Wire Service—General Farm and Live Stock to hit the times of good markets of were at their disposal. weak markets the year before and try aspirations as the farmers of Kansas, news—Accurate information on all markets, and in fact, is a daily newspaper especially for the farmer, and in fact, is a daily newspaper especially for the farmer.

The exhibit was in charge of and under the personal direction of Mr. Hewitt. During the entire convention market can handle at early December he was on hand to greet the thousands. Those of you who are now sub-



BOB LIEURANCE

## I WENT, I SAW AND I AM CONVINCED

Mr. Garrod, President California Farmers Union, Tells of Some of His Observations On a Recent Trip to McPherson. Kansas.

AS OTHERS SEE US

It was recently my privilege and pleasure to attend the annual convention of the Kansas Farmers' Union, TO INVESTIGATE held at McPherson, Kansas, on October 28-29-30-31. I went as the representative of the California Farmers' Union and Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Farmers' Automobile Inter-Insurance Exchange of Los An-

geles, California.

Before leaving San Jose, I conferred with E. N. Thayer, Sales Manager of our California Prune and Apricot Growers Association, as to how I might do some good for our cause while at the correction and sure deals while at the correction and sure deals. while at the convention, and we decided that there would be an excellent opportunity to do some advertising of our organization and products. It was agreed that D. H. Hewitt, our western representative whose headquarters are at Kansas City, should attend the convention and provide samples of our various packs to acquaint both members and sales agencies of

the Union with what we had to offer. The headquarters of the Kansas Farmers' Union are at Salina where they have a splendid three-story brick building. The lower floor houses their newspaper and printing department; and the second and third floors provide offices for the President and Secand Fire insurance departments, the Jobbers' Association, he Royalty and Auditing and other af-

filiated activities. I arrived at Salina on October 27th. At the depot I was met by A. M. Kinney, their General State Secretary. On being taken to the Union headquarters it was my privilege to meet the Kansas Union State President, C. A. Ward; C. A. Broom in charge of Fire Insurance; C. E. Creitz, Manager of the Royalty Company; Rex Lear, head of the Life Insurance Department; T. B. Dunn, Manager of the Auditing Department; A. W. Seaman f the Creamery Association; Harry Witham of the Jobbers' Association; G. W. Hobbs, Manager of the Livestock Commission, and many others, all of whom made me feel right at ome by the hearty Kansas welcome

which they extended to me.

My first day and evening were spent in conference with groups of these leaders, and we had an interesting time comparing the methods and accomplishments of the Kansas group with those of the California farmers. who are utilizing co-operation as the best way of solving the farm problem. On the following morning I went across country by automobile with a Mr. McCully of the Royalty department of the Union, and upon my arrival at McPherson found that hotel accommodations had been arranged for my stay there. The town was gay

with bunting and flags and presented

an air of hospitality as it bade wel-

come to the Convention to which it

was to play host.
Instructions to D. H. Hewitt, Association Representative, to co-operate with me at the convention in advertising the dried products of our Association had preceded me, and on my arrival he 'phoned to acquaint me with

The tendency after years of losses Growers Association" — "Sunset from cattle feeding is for a larger Brand," the voice of a group of Cali-

(Continued on page 4)

### ANNUAL MEETING OF THE

KANSAS FARMERS UNION ROYALTY COMPANY The annual meeting of THE KANSAS FARMERS

UNION ROYALTY COMPANY will be held in Salina on Thursday, January 15, 1931 at Nine o'clock A. M. If you cannot attend in person, be sure to mail your

> CHAS. A. BROOM, Secretary.

## **MAMMON**

Some preachers take their tainted hire; And from their pulpits never tire In sounding praises of the rich; Nor hear, arising from the ditch Of poverty, the dying shriek Of victims clutched in mammon's beak: Or if the cries become too loud, They mingle with the struggling crowd, To soften Mammon's crushing blow, By telling them, "God meant it so."

'Tis false. As false as Satan's guile; False as the cringing, fawning smile This tribe of Pharisees bestow Upon some rich man's vulgar show. Preachers forget that olden tale. That wealthy men would surely fail To enter with the chosen few, 'Till needle's eye let camel through.

Forget the truths the Master taught: Forget, His every act and thought Was for the poor; forget his wrath, Aroused by seeing in His path Money changers ply their trade In God's Temple; in furious raid, Like fierce tornado's raging gales, Wielding His lash of scorpions' tails, He scourged them off the Temple floor, And drove them from the Temple door. -A. M. Kinney.

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SALINA, KANSAS, THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 1931

## SEE YOUR MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATURE

There will be an attempt made in the Legislature this winter to raise price of gasoline one cent per gallon. We believe that with the great depression in every line of business activity, and especially in Agriculture, that it is a very poor time to raise taxes. If the gasoline tax is increased, the increase should go back to the counties and townships, and be used as a of Kansas this year, should be fought to a finish.

There will also be an attempt made to do away with the refund on gasoline used for Agricultural purposes. This is one of the most unfair proposals in taxation we have ever heard of. The whole theory of the gasoline tax is to make the people who use the roads build them and pay for the upkeep; but here farmers who use gasoline in their farming operations are asked to pay a tax to build roads which they do not use in these operations. The only argument that is offered in defense of this proposal is that some farmers abuse this privilege. Some people abuse other laws like the prohibition law, but we do not hear in Kansas at least, any loud cries for its repeal. See your members of the legislature and ask them how they stand on these questions.

## 28-CENT MACHINE GROWN WHEAT WILL DESTROY AMERICAN FARMER

Wichita, Kans.—Corporation farming in this State can produce wheat relative to this whole affair. at less than 28 cents a bushel, and this price will pauperize the American farmer, declared Harold McGugin, Kansas congressman-elect in a radio ad-

bearing the expense of maintaining families, produces its wheat very cheaply. These corporations are breaking up thousands of acres of new land. They do so as long as the price of wheat will permit a profit over 28 cents a bushel.

the individual American farmer and drive millions of them into the labor centers of America only to increase the present economic chaos.

"If corporation farming is permitted, no individual farmer east of Wichita will ever produce a bushel of wheat at a profit. It will be impossible for government to extend any aid to the individual farmer without extending aid to these organizations which are destroying American civilization, and which need no aid."

individual dairymen into bankruptcy.

"The merging and monopolizing of all lines of business, industrial and commercial, have greatly destroyed the economic opportunities of the indi-

vidual American citizen," he said. "As corporation farming decolonizes the rural district it will bring economic ruin to every agricultural town and community. The local banker, business man, professional man and editor will all trail along with the vanishing farmer into bankruptcy and distress."

The congressman-elect said States can prohibit corporation farming by making it illegal for corporations to own real estate beyond the corporate limits of cities.—Kansas Labor Weekly.

## PARAGRAPHS FROM WASHINGTON

By W. P. LAMBERTSON

Near midnight, just before Christmas, hundreds of people were carrying their packages into the big city post office by the depot. Inscribed on one corner, in its white marble, are the words, "Messenger of sympathy and love. corner, in its white the servant of parted friends, consoler of the lonely, bond of the scattered family, this work to go to the proper parties. enlarger of common life."

fourth in line at the White House New Years Day. He stood at the gate five force. The new classified rates seem to be very satisfactory in most cases hours, in low temperature, without his breakfast, to shake hands with the and we feel that with a little study any agent can become proficient in President, and was well pleased with his exploit.

The old Central Market quit business at midnight December 31. It yields its place for a new government building. Marshall and Webster did their marketing there in person

The Key Memorial Bridge across the Potomoc at Georgetown was named for the author of "The Star Spangled Banner." Near the District end of the bridge formerly stood the house in which the young lawyer lived.

The passenger concourse of the Union Depot is 760 feet long. It is the largest room in the world under one roof. An army of 50,000 men could stand on its floor.

The Norris-Lucas and the Couzens-Fess fracases are simply new emphases of the old contention which has been so often expressed, as to whether this nation is built up from the bottom or whether it hangs from the top.

The silver lining to the cloud of chaos which treatens party organization f the next Senate and House is that we will be Americans first.

### JOBBING ASSOCIATION NEWS

In spite of the fact that this has been a very mild winter, so far, The the farmer; the second that he be-Farmers Union Jobbing Association reports a very nice volume of coal shipped lieves farm relief will come through since Sept. 1st, 1930. Sales on Colorado coal and Standard Briquettes show very substantial increase over last year.

Many Farmers Union Elevators and Stores are finding Briquettes very satisfactory to merchandise and The Jobbing Association has opened sixteen new accounts during the past four months. The Mitchell County Farmers Union has ordered and shipped nine cars so far this season. One station in Osorne County has handled five cars of Briquettes since the season opened. During the first two days of this new year the Jobbing Association Office booked six cars, all to be shipped on or before January 10th.

Sales on cottonseed products have also made a substantial gain over previous years. At this particular time cottonseed meal is \$13.50 per ton for aid to farmers. He stressed maincheaper than it was last year at this same time.

Among other commodities they are jobbers of tankage, meat scraps, concentrates, a complete line of stock and poultry feeds, oil and gasoline, stock tanks, grain bins, etc.

The Farmers Union Jobbing Ass'n believes that the consumer is entitled to quality merchandise at a fair price and their Mercandise Department is making every effort possible to furnish Farmers Union members with satisfactory products.

## THE PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

- C. A. WARD -

I regret very much that it has been necessary to cancel some of my en gagements for this and next week. I hope it will be possible for me to meet suffering from overproduction. with you at some future time. It seemed quite imperative and necessary that I be in Washington for the balance of this week.

Not long ago the Committee of Kansas Farm organizations composed of the following groups, the Kansas Farm Bureau, Kansas State Grange, Kansas Farmers Union, Kansas Co-operative Wheat Marketing Association, of the things the President said he Farmers Co-operative Grain Dealers Association and The Farmers Cooperative Commission Company met in session at Topeka.

At this meeting there were in attendance several members of these various organizations. We discussed several matters of proposed legislation and it was the unanimous opinion of the groups represented that we should be in a position at the coming session of the Legislature to effectively should be in a position at the coming session of the Legislature to effectively defend the various propositions we were backing.

the Jayhawk Hotel, room 300. We have designated L. E. Webb, President that the Chamber of Commerce is as and President Ward will be in attendthe Jayhawk Hotel, room 300. We have designated D. E. Webb, President that the Chamber of Commission Company as our Legislative Repvitally interested in farm welfare as more at that meeting.

Monday, January 12 the Farmers replacement tax to take the place of property taxes now levied to build resentative. Mr. Webb will be on the job all the time. We sincerely request township and county roads. Any attempt to put an added tax on the people that all matters of inquiry relative to proposed legislation should be addressed to L. E. Webb, Room 300, Jayhawk Hotel, Topeka, Kansas.

The officers of the various groups purpose to be in Topeka as much as possible or necessary, during this coming session. Time forbids me just now discussing the various topics of proposed legislation but we do want our folks to feel free in giving suggestions relative to this whole affair.

Elsewhere in the columns of this paper notice is given to the effect that I, along with other members of a committee, am going to Washington to investigate all controversial matters relative to the program and policies of the Farm Board and the apparent controversy existing between Chairman of farm implements in line with the Legge, President John Simpson and others.

It is not at all pleasant to enter into such matters, but duty compels action of this kind at the present time, in face of all prevailing conditions.

The facts are what is wanted. Tangled and warped publicity is most as suredly ruinous and we have had altogether too much of this sort recently

It is evident that there is a difference of opinion relative to the supporting of the Farm Board program among the members and leadership of the Farmers Union of the various states. For that reason it occurs to me that this question should not have been made an open issue. Rather than relief will have been in vain," said Mr. McGugin. "Corporation farming, not any publicity of that sort, the question should have been dealt with more crowded and befuddled because of contradictory statements, it is quite esincrease acreage thereby increase the wheat surplus. They will continue to sential and necessary that the facts are arrived at and that the public be "Corporation farming will solve the farm problem, but it will impoverish the Committee of five was named to make this investigation and file a

The enemies of the Co-operative movement and the Farmers Union program are making capital out of the above referred to publicity which is will be in that territory the week of very harmful and detrimental. Reports have gone out that there is a January 12th and will hold meetings very harmful and detrimental. Reports have gone out that the saturation at the following places:
nation-wide split in the ranks of the Farmers. Union. This is far from the at the following places:
I. X. L. Local—January 13. truth in the matter. We are not questioning the motives of each other but rather, it is a matter of difference of opinion. Therefore, let us not rock Mr. McGugin declared that corporation dairying in the South is driving the boat but think seriously and cautiously relative to the matter and what

From time to time we will inform our members as to the progress made in our whole program and we ask your co-operation to the extent that Kansas may be a red letter state among the states that have associated themselves into the National Union.

## THE INSURANCE CORNER

- By CHARLES A. BROOM, Secretary

The year 1930 has passed into history and the new year has begun. In a few days we will announce the winners of the contests held through the year and within the next two months we will outline the contests for the year 1931. Do not wait for us to announce the prizes but begin NOW. We are sure all solicitors can materially increase their business if proper are sure all solicitors can materially increase their business if proper attention is given to the insurance work.

We ask all agents who have secured more than fifteen new members in chairman of the program committee, some real fighting for our rights. I We ask all agents who have secured more than little in the against our list here as we want the gold watch and other prizes given for

We have just finished with our meetings with agents and have had wonderful response from most agents. In the nine meetings we have We visited with the deaf and dumb boy student from California who was had about 200 agents which is nearly two-thirds of our total agency

## + NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES --

FARMERS' UNION MEETS

Believes Cooperation of Existing Organizations Best Road to Form. Aid. Elect Officers.

Thomas Roots of Kelly was elected Mrs. Harve Crawford.
Nemaha County Farmers Union Our lecturer, W. T. Buckle, next President for the coming year in the gave one of his clever talks. Sabetha, was elected vice-president ers Union Mutual

summarize the speech of C. A. Ward, of the 1931 officers. Kansas Farmers Union President, at the annual meeting of the Nemaha Farmers Union at Seneca Saturday. O. W. Hern, E. E. Gord, Chester Ash-The first is that Mr. Ward does not er, R. E. Burkhall, Earl McCune, Melsee any bright immediate future for vin Terrent and their wives. the working of farm organizations a distance were Mr. and Mrs. Walter which already exist, including the Kirkpatrick and children of Hutchin-

federal farm board. Mr. Ward said it was hard to vision immediate farm relief. He spoke and Mr. and Mrs. Rex Lear of Salina with low commodity prices make the

times extremely difficult.
Further, Mr. Ward was convinced farmers are attempting to carry out a 1930 standard of living on what amounts to practically pre-war com-

modity prices . The speaker offered no radical ideas ing of the government farm board. The speaker discussed the farm

poard at considerable length, stating local is in a new territory and they the Farmers Union should favor it but at the same time offer costruc- ing new members to the Farmers tive criticism. He believes in farm legislation and thinks although the board has had rough going it will eventually prove more beneficial. The price of wheat in America is 18 to 20c above That evening he met with a group in the price in other world markets, Mr. that locality. They are anxious Ward said. He attributed this largely get the Farmers Union going in that to working of the board.

Mr. Ward touched on the question of a subsidy for farming. He cited the protection the government gives railroads in rate fixing so as to guar- progressive Farmers Union antee certain earning. But he also said he feared the payment of a farm premium when the world is already The Kansas Farmers Union heard

made one unusual omission in his talk. He did not place the blame for the farm situation on President Hoover, although he did say it might prove interesting to sit down and read some intended to do in his speech of accept-

E. J. Barnes, as President of the Seneca Chamber of Commerce, gave a short address before the talk by public county.

A resolution committee consisting of L. A. Spencer, Alice Gray Williams and O. W. Newman, submitted four resolutions. They were adopted by the Union. The resolutions are as fol-

Resolved. That we thank the city of Seneca for the use of the City Hall and for courtesies extended us while

in this city.

Be it Resolved, That we petition the Federal Farm Board to use the power vested in it to bring the prices

We, the members of the Farmers Union of the State of Kansas, are opposed to the plan of the Kansas State lighway League, whereby the counies vote bonds for hard surfaced

roads to be paid for by the state. We recommend that the members of the Farmers Union be more faithful to their business associations .-

ARKANSAS CITY STARTS

CREAM STATION

The Arkansas City Farmers Union Business Association has been giving its members a very good service. Realizing the need of further co-operation and help to its membership, they have arranged for a series of meetings in that territory with the thought in mind of organizing a

Cream and Produce Station. E. L. Bullard and H. B. Whitaker

Shiloh Local-January 14. Martha Washington-January 15. Thacker-January 16. All meetings to start at 8:00 o'clock

We want all the Farmers Union members in these localities to come out to the meetings, and bring along a neighbor who is not now a member but who should be. F. H. LEMERT.

THE NORTH STAR FARMERS UNION NO. 1979

The North Star Farmers Union met n regular session Friday evening. Dec. 26 with a nice crowd present. The meeting was opened by singing "America." President B. E. Winchester and Secretary I. B. Amend gave

Reading by Janice Winchester, U. S. ment Piano solo by Adelia Hargett, "Kit-1932.

meeting to be held at New Hope are Mr. and Mrs. Fred Byer, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Garey, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Garey, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Burkhall, C. E. Reed and W. M. H. Buckle, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Hawver, and Mr. and

President for the coming year. We were then lavoied of the Farmannual county meeting Saturday. He annual county meeting Saturday. He from the State Manager of the Farmannual County Woman I. A Spencer, from the State Manager of the Farmannual County Woman I. A Spencer, from the State Manager of the Farmannual County Woman I. A Spencer, from the State Manager of the Farmannual County Manager of We were then favored by and Eldon Harden, Centralia, secre- Company, Rex Lear of Salina. former tary. Time was short before the resident and member of North Star. speaking program and it was voted We were indeed glad to welcome Mr. to re-elect other officers from last and Mrs. Lear to this meeting and enjoyed the talks they both gave us. This was followed by the installation

The entertainment and refreshment committee for the month of January are, Charles Kirkpatrick, chairman, The Union had a number of guests

present at this meeting. Those from son, Mrs. Frank Ira of Greensburg, Mr. and Mrs. Will Hardin of Wichita, The meeting adjourned and all passed to the basement where refreshments were served during the social hour to those present. Our next meeting will be Jan. 9. Let's all go! Mrs. Herve Prentice, Reporter.

STATE OFFICIALS' ITINERARY

Your state President and Secretary have been busy the past week attend-

ing meetings. Secretary Kinney attended the wolf hunt and oyster supper at Palco on December 26th. They had a very interesting program and meeting. are creating a lively interest and add-

On Monday, December 29th he attended a Board of Directors meeting of the Narka Elevator Association. vicinity and will hold another meeting

Tuesday, January 6th. Friday President Ward was called to St. Paul to meet with a group of and to consider the program for the coming months. Monday, January 5 President Ward

and Secretary Kinney will be in St. Joseph, Missouri attending a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission there. A number of our Northeast Kansas members ship their stock to that House and we have representation on the Board of Directors. Mr. Ward will attend the annual meeting of the Kansas Chamber of

community interests are interwoven, quarterly meeting of Republic county Monday, January 12 the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission of Kansas City will hold their regular Board of Directors meeting and have

invited Secretary Kinney and President Ward to meet with them. DEAS AND SUGGESTIONS FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION

Arnold, Kans., Dec. 18, 1930. Dear Friend Mr. Ward: Have read your speeches and like your attitude towards the farm program. And to help the good work question of legislation very thoroughly and I find that all large industries and corporations have been granted legislation before they have accomplished our present efficient commer-

cial system. Now Mr. Ward, this question mind, Why in my arises couldn't the Farmers Union put on a their present organizing system. office. After they are elected, tives handling wheat a chance to accomplish the thing they set out to do.

Now the Farm Board has spent millions of dollars to accomplish what Congress could have accomplished in twenty four hours if they would. They could have passed a law say-ing that wheat would be a dollar and a half, on the wheat that is consumed in the U.S. and the surplus could have been dumped on the world market at what it would bring. We have a tariff to protect invasion of foreign wheat, why couldn't we use it under this plan. It would work if we had men in congress that were in sym-

pathy with the farm cause. The farmers of this nation are not production plus a profit. This thing cannot be accomplished as long as the Farm Board lets the board of trade set the price of wheat. And the Coop's handling wheat are going to fail.

The railroads of this nation do not

set the freight rates, the government does it for them, and allows them cost of production plus a profit which they are entitled to. And they gained this through legislation. Why cannot the The captains chosen for the membership drive are Tom Vice and T. J. McConnaughey. Norwood McCune, would get behind this thing and do don't think there is a farmer in the ment and back it up with his vote in

Reading by John Sherman Gajey.
Harp solo by Jerrold McElniney,
"Jingle Bells."
Solo by Florene Dole, "In An Old
Fashioned Garden," accompanied at the piano by Adelia Hargett.

Delegates for the County Union

The Cooperative move has helped our conditions some but they have our

HANSAS UNION FARMER WEEKLY

EXCHANGE

If members of the Union have anything to Sell or Exchange, they should advertise in this department. Rate: 3 cents a word per issue. If run 4 times 10c per word for the four issues. Count words in heading, as "For Sale," or "Wanted to Buy," and each initial or figure in the address. Compound words count as two words. CASH MUST ACCOMPANY ORDER—TRY THIS DEPARTMENT—IT WILL PAY YOU.

WANTED

WANTED—Position as bookkeeper. Pre-fer with Farmers Union. Five years experience.—Miss Grace Varnan, Kincaid. WANTED TO BUY, Insilage Cutter. Chester Chapman, Ellsworth, Kans.

SHIP YOUR FURS to J. E. Green Fur Co., 301 East 1st St., Topeka, Kansas, for highest prices, fairest grades. Write for AGENTS WANTED to sell polishing cloths; removes tarnish from all metals without the use of liquid. Sample mailed 25 cents.—Clark's Specialty Sales, Granite Falls, Minnesota.

WANTED-Position as Mgr. of Elevator or Store. Address Holton Grain Co. Holton, Kansas.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Purebred Spotted Poland China Boars. Best of Breeding, weigh-ing 250 pounds and up. Immunized and guaranteed to please. Please write des-cribing the type you want.—George Roepke, Waterville, Kansas.

WE SELL Daily new-caught headles and salted Lake Superior herring in lots of 50 and 100 lbs. Prices respectively \$5.50 and \$3.25. Ref. Commercial State Bank. J. Kharvik's Fisheries. Box 864, Two Harbors, Minn.

MISCELLANEOUS

Red Clover \$11.00; Alsike \$11.00; Alfalfa \$8.00; White Sweet Clover \$4.00; Tim-othy \$3.75; Mixed Alsike and Timothy \$5.00; All per bushel. Bags free. Sam-ples ad catalog upon request. Standard Seed Co., 26 East Fifth St., Kansas City, Mo.

PLANTS

Frost-Proof Cabbage and Bermuda Onion Plants. Open field grown, well rooted, strong. Treated Seeds. Cabbage each bunch fifty, mossed, labeled with variety name. Early Jersey Wakefield, Charleston Wakefield. Succession, Copenhagen, Early Dutch, Late Dutch, Postpaid; 200, 75c; 300, \$1.00; 500, \$1.25; 1,000, \$2.00; 2500, \$4.50. Express Collect: 2500, \$2.50, 0nions Prizetaker, Crystal Wax and Yellow Bermuda, Postpaid, 500, 75c; 1,000, \$1.25; 6,000, \$6.00. Express Collect: 6,000, \$4.50. Full count, prompt shipment, safe arrival, satisfaction guaranteed. Write for Catalogue. UNION PLANT COMPANY, TEXARKANA, 'ARKANSAS.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY
Whereas it has pleased Almighty God
in His divine wisdom to remove from our
midst our faithful brother, William
Schulte of Fair Oak Local No. 400,
Therefore, be it resolved that we, the
members of said local, extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family,
Be it also resolved, that a copy of these
resolutions be sent to the Kansas Union
Farmer, one to the bereaved family, also
spread on the minutes.

W. D. Koester,
I. N. McClelland
R. D. Meyer, Committee. RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY

wheat. Congress today could set the Commerce in Topeka on Tuesday, and price of wheat just as easy as then if

In concluding will ask you as President of the Kansas Farmers Union, of which I am a member, to print this statement or a similar one, and sub-January 8 is the regular to find out their attitude, also to find out whether they would back up this program with their vote in

Thanking you for your attention and cooperation in this matter, I am, Yours truly, G. W. Jesse.

TREGO COUNTY MEETING Trego County Farmers Union held their annual meeting at Wakeeney and a good sized crowd was in at-

All the old officers were unanimous ly re-elected. Among matters of interest which were discussed was the oil and gas proposition. The reaction for a project of this kind seems very favorable I think will work. I have studied the bers in Trego County will soon have in operation an oil and gas station. S. M. Babb, Pres.

WILL FARMER DISAPPEAR?

Mark Van Doren in Harper's Magazine. The future of the farmer is the most interesting subject I can think program, and advertise it through about. There are so many possibilities. Will he continue as he put up their own men for the offices pended between two worlds, one old of our legislative bodies. Then all and one new? Will he disappear comget behind these men and elect them pletely, or at any rate become a mere cog in the great food-raising machinthen insist on them standing for a set ery which some day may roll from price on all farm products. If we had one end of our great countryside to a set price on all farm products this the other-machinery owned and opwould eliminate the grain gamblers erated for profit by half a dozen and give the Pool and other coopera- Henry Fords and using a race of skilled mechanics along with another race not so skilled and a locust cloud

of bookkeepers? Will he have gone under to such an extent that he will be no longer Farmer Brown of Libertyville, O., but No. 2496, Section 3, United States will he revive in Farms, Inc.? Or some fashion which I cannot imagine and restore to our civilization the figure that once was so picturesque to contemplate? I hope so, though no movement now on foot encourages me to believe it.

In one of the Southern states, where the problem of agricultural survival is especially acute today, there is a wanting a hand out or the laboring man. All the farmers ask is cost of sors, philosophers and journalists who call upon the world to remember the peace, the dignity and the order of that agrarian culture which the Civil War, with other things in its train, put quietly to death. I am attentive to the call but I do not note that the country is or that it even understands what is being said.

Quite likely the whole world, folowing our lead, is within the next century to tighten itself shape of a vast and more or less perfect machine for the production of commodities with which to keep itself going, food being only one of these commodities. While the machine runs, the farmer, it is safe to say, will be somewhere out of sight beneath it. When it ceases to function, as it very well may, he will emerge again.

For all I know he may never in the meantime have lost his original char-



# Junior Co-operators **Aunt Patience**

Your niece, Virginia.

I am 8 years old, my father, grand-

Respectfully, Clarissa Lippert.

yesterday afternoon. My teacher also

Your niece, Evelyn Barrett.

Victoria, Kans.

Yours truly,

weeks ago, so I thought I am going

fourth grade, 10 years old, my birth-

tricks. Aunt Patience, I want to ask

you if you will send my book and pin.

Just a few minutes' time so I will

write a letter and see if you would

built a house for them to make them

tame. After school when I come home I go to the field and pick some green

for I am sleepy. Goodbye.

Dear Aunt Patience:

Victoria, Kans.

Yours truly, Cyrilla Meis.

Victoria, Kans.

Yours truly, Sybilla Meis.

Codell, Kans., Dec. 4, 1930.

will soon be here and I hope I will

get a pretty present from Santa

Please send me some paper to ans-

Densmore, Kans., Dec. 6, 1930.

Macksville, Kans., Dec. 4, 1930.

Aunt Patience:

your lessons.

Hi! Everyone!

Dear Aunt Patience:

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Osawatomie, Kans.

Bison, Kans.

HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THIS DEPARTMENT

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

This is the beginning of a New questions from Sept. I do not have coming year? Of course, there are so many things we all want to do. I wonder if it wouldn't be nice to make to do for school, I had better close.

your picture in the paper?

Well, as I have some things I want to do for school, I had better close.

found my twin. She is Ada McCoy, Penokee, Kansas. I will close for this time.

Your friend, as our first and biggest Resolution to do a kind deed for some one every day of this year. There are so many things one can do to make life just Dear Aunt Patience: a little happier for our fathers and relatives and friends.

I've had so many nice Christmas join the Junior Cooperators. I am in long time. I was going to ask you greetings and cards from you and I the 4th grade. I have two sisters, if you will send me a book and a pin. enjoyed getting them so much and Frances and Jessie. I like school and I would be glad to have it. I am going

This week I am printing your let- of the friends all over the state. ters, and not making a personal reply to each of them. I know this is not a nice way to do, but there are quite a few on hand and in this way you will get to hear from each other, and I promise next week I will have a nice long letter, telling you all the news. Happy New Year.

AUNT PATIENCE.

Dear Aunt Patience: It sure is nice weather here. It You went to the teacher's meeting Thurs seems like in summer. You went to the teacher's meeting Thurs-will have to excuse me for not send- day and Friday of this week. Well, I ing my lesson in sooner. You ask me will close before the mail man comes. who sent my name in. Esther Byram sent it in and does she get a star for it? That sure is nice. She is my cousin. It won't be long till Santa Claus comes, will it? Well, I had better close for dinner and my letter is

the waste paper basket.

With love, a member, Jean Laughridge. P. S.: I haven't found my twin yet. My birthday is July 22. Will you please help me find it?

Conway, Kans. Dear Aunt Patience: Am writing to tell you that I didn't you would please send my book and

get to see you at the Farmers Union convention. I go to high school at McPherson, so I thought that I am tired. Goodbye. would surely get to see you but I was disappointed. Perhaps you were there on Thursday on which evening I did not get to go down to the community

son, didn't you? I must close, your niece, Lela Siebert.

Oswego, Kans. Dec. 5, 1930.

Dear Aunt Patience: I am sending in my November lesson. I hope it is right. I never have found my twin. My birthday is Sept. have to close for it is getting late. 8. I will be fifteen. You never did Goodbye. give me a star for getting my brother

The last membership roll didn't have the number of members at the Well, I had better quit for this time Your frdiend, Mable Schmidt.

> Ellis, Kansas, Dec. 16, 1930.

Dear Aunt Patience: "We wish you a Merry Christmas" and "A Happy New Year."
We just finished our lessons. We are well yet and hope you are

the same. My daddy was elected treasurer and secretary again of Excelsior Local No. 606. The next meeting will be at our home the first Monday of the new year 1931.

From your nieces, Helen and Theresa Weber.

Oak Hill, Kans. Dear Aunt Patience: I have read the Junior Cooperators time to write to you. I would like very

try and get my lessons.

I am a little girl 4 feet 10 inches and I weigh 84 pounds. I have dark brown hair and brown eyes. I am twelve years of age and my birthday is Feb-

ruary the twelfth on A. Lincoln's birthday. "Have I a twin?" I would like very much to hear from the members. I must close for this

With love, a friend, Arlene M. Cain,

Codell, Kansas, October 31, 1930.

Dear Aunt Patience: I sure like to write letters. I forgot to tell you in what grade I am.
So I thought I would write to you and
tell you. I am in the 4th grade. I did
not send in my lessons yet. But I will pin and book and sure think it is nice. sore. I want to ask you how you are, I am fine. I study five subjects. They are close because it is getting late.

Yours truly, Lorrine Rohleder.

Tescott, Kansas, Dear Aunt Patience:

Well, it has been a long time since I wrote, but you see I have been busy with my studies.

I sure think the pin and book are line. I haven't sent in my lessons yet letter but I am sending this time. I time, so I thought while I had some letter but I am sending this time. I time, so I thought while I had some letter but I am sending this time. I time, so I thought while I had some letter but I am sending this time. I time, so I thought while I had some letter but I am sending this time. I time, so I thought while I had some letter but I am sending this time. I time, so I thought while I had some letter but I am sending this time. I time, so I thought while I had some letter but I am sending this time. I time, so I thought while I had some letter but I am sending this time. I time, so I thought while I had some letter but I am sending this time. I thought I would write a few lines. I would write a few lines are thought I would write a few lines. I would write a few lines are thought I would write a few lines. I would write a few lines are thought I would write a few lines. I would write a few lines are thought I would write a few lines. I would write a few lines are thought I would write a few lines are thought I would write a few lines are thought I would write a few lines. I would write a few lines are thought I wo

that's about the only place I have how the star for my today and has been raining for a while.

I started how call day on Thenksrive. I stayed home all day on Thanksgiving day and made some Christmas presents. It sure won't be long till Christmas now, will it? I haven't found my twin yet, but I'll keep looking. Well, as my letter is getting a little long I will close.

I am in the first gioin the junior coop send me a hook and respondents. A loving friend,

Ruth Johnson. P. S.: Do you want the lessons in nk or pencil?

Ransom, Kans. Dear Aunt Patience: How are you? I am all right. I reeived my book and pin, many thanks for them. I like them very much. I think the lessons are easy. Those would like to know where to get the Dear Aunt Patience: lessons. I noticed in the last paper you

Mildred Stutzman.

Dear Aunt Patience: Just a few lines to let you know mothers and brothers and sisters and father and great grandfather were that I am well and hope you are the old members of local 794. I want to same. I haven't written to you for a my books. I like to read the letters to school, I have to drive 2 1-2 miles grade. I hope I will pass this year. It is getting pretty cold again and vish you all a Merry Christmas and week. Goodbye. How are you? I am fine! Will write a Happy New Year. My birthday is a few lines for I am sending in my Aug. 26. Have I a twin? I hope I have lesson. Am quite late about sending one, I am 14 years old. So please send t in. I expect there will be a lesson me a book and a pin. It is getting late. I have some other books to study yet in this week's paper, won't there?

My teacher, Mrs. Bonner, and the pupils and I went on a "weiner roast"

I have some other books to so this is all for this time.

Yours tr

Yours truly, Dominic A. Stremel.

Scott City, Kans., Dec. 27, 1930. Dear Aunt Patience: I have sent in all the lessons of this year now. Did you have a nice Christmas? I sure did. I am very sorry I couldn't send you a present, but I Just a few minutes time so I thought I would just write. I sure thought I am going to write a letter getting pretty long. I hope it misses to you. Are you well yet? Hope so, I you? I haven't found my twin yet—
the waste paper basket.

I read the paper every time, and enthink this year has gone fast, don't years old but I am going to be 8 next joy reading the letters. month. My birthday is November 18, Yours truly.

1930 .My pets are four little kittens, Kathleen Rudolph. their names are Betty, Inkey, Samey P. S.: Happy New Year, My birthand Herby. I like them very well beday is February 26. I will be 14 years cause when I call their names they come running and jumping to me. Say

Aunt Patience, I want to ask you if Pleasanton, Kans., Dec. 26, 1930. Dear Aunt Patience: How are you? I am all right but I have a cold. I got my finger hurt. We started to town Wednesday, but we didn't get to town, our car broke. It was the axel broke. I got a comb for Christmas and a box of stationery. I have been going to school every day. We are going down to my grandma's Dear Aunt Patience: I thought that the last "Junior As I was thinking of my book and today. That is all for this time.

As I was thinking of my book and today. That is all for this time.

Your niece, Susie Shaffer. to sit down and write. I am in the P. S.: I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. day is April 26, 1930. My pet is a dog, his name is Peggy. I like him very well because he does so many

Goff, Kans., Dec. 27, 1930.

Dear Aunt Patience:
I would like to join your club. I am eleven years old and in the sixth Would like to have it by next week. I grade. My father takes the Kansas Union Farmer. Will you please send me a pin and a book? I will try to get my lessons if possible. I read the junior's page every week. Yours truly, Dorothy Gruetzl.

Hill City, Kans., Dec. 26, 1930. Dear Aunt Patience: send my book and pin. I would like I saw my name in the paper. My to have it by next week. I am in the brother is going to write too. He is 9 years old. His birthday is April 23. I first grade, 6 years old, my birthday was January 22, 1930. I have five sisters and three brothers. My pets will get a star. Send my book and pin ney, Sussy, Kattie, Jack and Jim. I

are five rabbits, their names are Bar- as quick as you can. I will close. Cyrille Fountain.

I go to the field and pick some green wheat and give them water each morning when I get up. The first thing I would like to join your club. I will I am going to do is feed my five little try to study my lessons if you will rabbits. I call every one by their send my pin and book as soon as you name. They come out of their nests can. I am 9 years old and in the 3rd and run to the water. I have to close grade. My birthday is the 23rd of April. I had a good time on Christmas and I hope you did. I will close.

Your friend, Gordon Fountain. Morland, Kans., Dec. 28, 1930.

I am sending in my November les- Dear Aunt Patience: page for a long time and enjoyed it very much. But I never could find I would like to tell you that I didn't New Year. How are you feeling? I

have all my stars behind my name, am feeling very fine. much to be a member of the club and please send me a book and pin. I will try and get my lessons.

I sure had a fine time on Thaks
I sure had a fine time on Thaksgiving. We went to take a Thanksgiv-ing dinner to one of our friends' ent my mother gave me a pair of garplaces. It sure was a good dinner, ters and from my god-mother I got a What did you do on Thanksgiving? I hope you had a fine time, too.

We didn't have any school on Thanksgiving and also the day after. I will close, wishing you success with your club members this coming year.

Your faithful member, Molla Riedel. still like it in school. Well, Christmas

Garrison, Kans., Dec. 29, 1930. Dear Aunt Patience:

I'm rather late with my lesson. I am wer my next lesson. So I have to sending in the November lesson. We close, wishing you best regards. Good-bye. Amelia Miller. had a nice Christmas. I received sev-eral presents. I wish you a Happy New eral presents. I wish you a Happy New Yours truly, Year. Eleanore C. Hanson.

Minneapolis, Kans., Dec. 27, 1930. How u was? I'm sorry to say I'm not very good as I have some many tiny

How are you? My send them in as soon as I can. I like send them in as soon as I can. I like to go to school and I like my teacher. She is Clara Weigel. I received my sores on my neck and they're surely ion so we get the union paper. And I get to read the letters. I would like to I'm writing to you to tell U that know what kind of lessons are in I'm very sorry I can't get November's lessons in as I never knew U you please? Then after you have writknow what kind of lessons are in these books. Write and tell me, will reading, arithmetic, English, geo-graphy and spelling. Please send me a picture of yourself. I will have to We've surely been having some write and tell you whether or not I gloomy weather, haven't we? can join. I must stop now. In my next Well, I must close as it is going to letter I will tell you how old I am and be bedtime soon. Sincerely yours,
Miss Marjorie Sullivan.
P. S.: Please give me full detail of other things you want to know. Lovingly yours, Corrinne Walker.

Piqua, Kans., Dec. 27, 1930. Dear Aunt Patience:

extra time I would write a few lines. Did you send it? I got for Christmas FARMERS PLANNING TO I can't send in my lesson this month some nuts, candy, paints, stencils, I can't send in my lesson this month some nuts, candy, paints, stencils, on account of not having the papers. Stationery, handkerchiefs, tablet and But I'll try my best to get the next one in I am at school writing this but mas? I have not found my twin yet. commercial poultrymen, are reducing

> Lovingly, Violet Bux. Piqua, Kans., Dec. 27, 1930.

I am in the first grade. I want to join the junior cooperators. Please total of 236 rillion bushels will be send me a book and pin. I am 6 years fed to livestock this crop year as old. My birthday is May 10. Have I a compared to 90 million last year. Figtwin? When I am big I am going to ures of the U. S. Department are basbe a member of the Farmers Union. For Christmas I got lots of nuts and candy, a truck, colors, pencils and tablet. I wish you a Happy New Year. Yours truly, Kenneth Bux.

Morland, Kans., Dec. 23, 1930.

found my twin. She is Ada McCoy, lix. I am eight years old and in the second grade. I like to go to school. Please send me a pin and a book. Goodbye. From Mr. Jonas Rome, Morland, Kansas.

Quinter, Kans., Dec. 22, 1930.

Dear Aunt Patience:

Since so many write to you I think lion tons if 236,000,000 bushels of Dear Aunt Patience: will write also. My Dad belongs to wheat are fed. the Farmers Union. I am nine years old and in the 4th grade. I like my teacher and like to go to school. For to school in a buggy. I am in the 8th pets I have a donkey, its name is

onas.

Please send me a pin and a book. I butter, frozen loultry, frozen and cured meats, and lard on Dec. 1 were Christmas is coming pretty close. I will try and send my lesson in every considerably less than at the same Edgar Kuhn, Quinter, Kansas.

Elmdale, Kansas.

Dear Aunt Patience: This is the lesson for September. Am I too late? I didn't think it was very hard. I didn't have a back paper quires 200 rods of fence. and couldn't get the rest of the lesson. I couldn't finish the lesson because I lost the paper.

We had examinations at school about three weeks ago. None of us failed. We also had a Hallowe'en program at school. My brother, Hermie, has a dog, we call him "Pooch." We have a new calf.

I call him Red and White. I will close for this time. Sincerely yours, Mary Elizabeth Hazel, P. S.: Are we supposed to write with pencil or ink?—M. E. H.

St. Peter, Kans., Dec. 26, 1930. Dear Aunt Patience:

While I have a few minutes time, I high and profitable level of milk prowill write you a letter. I want a book duction in a herd is through the use of and pin. I am 7 years old and in the second grade. My birthday is on Dec. 21. I guess I will have to close. Sincerely yours, Lucina Billinger,

> St. Peter, Kans. Dec. 26, 1930

I will write a letter to you, telling you that I want a book and pin. I in the third grade. I am 8 years old. My birthday is on July 14. Sincerely yours, Bridget Billinger.

Kincaid, Kans.. Dec. 27, 1930. Dear Aunt Patience: I have been reading letters in The

Kansas Union Farmer. I wish to become a member of the Junior Co-operators department. Please send my book and pin and will study my lessons as soon as I

My birthday is November 28, I am ten years old and in the fifth grade. My teacher's name is Miss Nester. I like her very much.

My daddy is a member of the Farmers Union at Mt. Zion. Your friend, Ruth Swender.

WHO MADE 'EM HUNGRY?

A writer for a national grain jour-nal in attendance at the recent convention of the South Dakota farmers elevators commented in his paper that seated near him "were a number of hungry-looking farmers." Which we assume is another compliment to the "existing marketing system" we hear so much about in old-line circles.

TRY AND GET 'EM!

An old-line creamery in northwest Kansas displayed the following sign the other day:,.

"We Pay Cash for Cream, Eggs,
Poultry and Fur. Cream Today 19

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White dimity curtains embroidered in long Morning Glory motifs are very attractive. We have Morning Glory pattern, number 558, that includes six flower designs for breakfast cloth with floss Dear Aunt Patience:

How are you? I am just fine. I smaller corners for the napkins and

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558B-Two Yard Length Curtains, with floss, pair Crisp White Dimity, yd.

The average mature ewe needs FARMERS NATIONAL GRAIN CORPORATION about three pounds of good legume hay a day if she is to keep in good condition during the winter.

Farmers, feed manufacturers, and

AGRICULTURAL BRIEFS

acre rectangular field, 80 by 80, re-

By providing themselves with sim-

ple fire-fighting equipment and or-

ganizing community fire companies,

and by using more forethought in

building, farmers could cut the nation's farm fire loss of \$100,000,000

n half says the U.S. Department of

When cream freezes, the quality is

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time last year.

Agriculture.

and geese.

the surplus of wheat considerably in the United States this year by feeding large amounts of it to livestock, according to information received by W. F. Schnaidt, marketing specialist of the State College Extension Service, from the U. S. Department of Agriculture.
. This information indicates that a profit.

CHILDREN STILL LIKE
"NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS"

ed on answe received from 190,000 The old tale of a night before questionnaires sent to farmers and Christmas when all through the house, 63,000 sent to mills and elevators, not a creature was stirring, not even a commercial poultrymen, and users of mouse, by Clement C. Moore, still holds as much fascination for kiddies Wheat growers intend to feed 182,of the present day as it did for those 400,000 bushels compared with 57,children of 20 and 30 years ago. 800,000 last year. Other farmers, com-

In selecting stories for the children mercial poultrymen, and manufactur-Year. I am sure we have all had a Happy Christmas. How many of you thought what you want to do in this Say, when are you going to put thought what you want to do in this say, when are you going to put the papers I am sending the papers I am sendi use a total of 53,600,000 bushels this mas Carols" of Bob Cratchitt and crop year.

The extent to which farmers and mas Carol," by Kate Douglas others will carry out their intentions Wiggins is another favorite, telling to use wheat for feed will be determin- of the experiences of children in a of the experiences of children in a ed by the relationship of wheat prices large family in such a way that old to feed grain prices, especially corn. The increased use of wheat for feed as well as young are interested.

Stories of Christmas in other lands will always interest the youngsters. They want to know how Christmas is observed, how the little boys and girls hang up their stockings, whether Santa does or does not drive his reindeer way down South. Stories of Christmas Cold storage holdings of creamery in other lands may be found in the December number of "Child Life."

"The First Christmas Tree," by Henry Van Dyke has Germany as its setting during the time of the middle ages when Christianity was in its in-Rectangular or small fields require nore feeding per acre than square or fancy. Bible stories of the first Christarge fields. A 10-acre square field mas form a part of Christmas that takes 160 rods of fence while a 10- every child should know.

Al Swanson, manager of the Cope-According to government estimates

According to government estimates

Wanson, manager of the country the largest co-operative elevator, the largest co-operative elevator in the United States, expresses the opinion that the Sunflower state will feed not United States with an average yearly less than 40,000,000 bushels of wheat to livestock this season. At Highland, containing 180 pounds of butterfat.
In commercial dairying this production is not high enough to leave any profit.

Kan, up to the middle of December, a dozen carloads of wheat had been shipped in for livestock, feeding, a situation unique in that part of the country. One feeder, with headquarters at Wichita, is feeding 60,000 bushels of wheat in his feed lots. Secretary Mohler, of the Kansas Board of Agriculture, had estimated that Kansas would feed 22,000,000 bushels of wheat, but it is Mr. Swanson's studied conviction that this amount already has been exceeded.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING The Annual meeting of the Stock-

holders of The Healy Co-operative Elevator Co. will be held in the I. O. O. F. hall in Healy Wednesday, Janu-R. S. Haverfield, Pres.



# A FRESH START

In spite of the depression and unfavorable market conditions of 1930, we are beginning the new year with great hopes for the advancement of Cooperative Marketing. We solicit your good will and

If interested in the cooperative marketing of your poultry and dairy products, write us for information.

Farmers Union Co-operative Creamery Association

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### A LEGGE REPLY TO CRITICS

(Continued from page 1) going to continue straight ahead. If you doubt that real progress is being farm organizations that are participating in the program laid down by congress." Kenner Circulations that are participating in the program laid down by Prof. R. I. Throckmorton and Dr. congress."-Kansas City Star.

"Cal" Ward, President of the Kansas Farmers' Union, During the session, addresses were made by Governor Clyde M. Reed of Kansas; C. E. Huff President of the Report on the activities of that the report of the re Farmers National Grain Corpor-C. Talbot, President of the North Dakota Farmers Union; T. E. Howard, Secretary, Colorado Farmers Union; H G. Keeney, President, Nebraska Farmers Union; John Simpson, President Okla-homa Farmers Union and now President of the National Farmers' Union; Milo Reno of Iowa; C. C. Cogswell, Master of the Kansas State Grange;

tions taken by the convetion the following may be mentioned: An income tax as a means of raising State revenue; a direct primary for the nomination of candidates for President; a text book on co-operation for their public schools; payment of taxes to be made nearer the time when a farmer sells his products and fair salaries for legislators. The convention went on record against public bonds for building roads, compulsory old age insurance and high tariffs. It voted in favor of assisting agriculture under the provisions of the present Federal Marketing Act but voiced the opinion that the act should be made more helpful to agriculture.

From the Convention City I went to Wichita for a brief stay. Leaving Wichita I thaveled into bers? Oklahoma through the cotton fields 6. Who may qualify under the Capand oil wells. Cotton prices are down, per-Volstead law? the producer getting \$45.00 per bale. heat grower was complaining ern such associations? because of a price of 45c per bushel and the corn raisers were suffering from loss due to drought. I was impressed with the nice wide streets in the middle western towns leaving Volstead law? the middle western towns leaving plenty of space for automobile park-

After reviewing my experience I found one thought uppermost and predominating in my mind. It is this: It is useless to own the best commodity in the world, or to have the ability to render the best service, unless to sign a contract for delivery. you let the world know about it. that our manufacturing department is successfully processing and packing our goods at costs that compare favorably with those of the packers. I know our financing costs are low. these facts; invite our neighbors to for delivery with its members; (2) join with us, thus benefiting himself Those operating on a voluntary deplacing our industry on a basis that will establish it on a parity with other American groups in this great case.

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5. They must qualify under the Capper-Volstead law, and meet the requirements of the Farmers, No. 1. American groups in this great country of ours.

## KANSAS STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE ANNUAL MEETING

The Entire Program Prepared by Secretary J. C. Mohler for this Convention is Replete With Interest

The opening session of the Board of Agriculture will be held in the G. A. R. hall of the Memorial Building at 4 o'clock on Wednesday, January 14, and this will be followed at 6:30 p. m. by the "Get Acquainted Dinner" at by the "Get Acquainted Dinner" at 10. It appears sound. At least it the Jayhawk Hotel, where a special is sufficiently sound for Congress to definitely commit the United States to this system of distribution for agis invited.

Kansans generally do not like to admit that their soil is in any sense depleted of its fertility, but all are enthusiastic over the effects of man-ure applied to it. Thursday forenoon of Farmers' Week in Topeka" will be F. L. Duley of the State Agricultural College, and President L. W. Rowell

Reed of Kansas;
President of the ional Grain Corporation, will report on the activities of that organization in stabilizing the price of wheat, and President Charles A. EwTalbot, President

Ransas;
will report on the activities of that organization in stabilizing the price of wheat, and President Charles A. EwThe bulletin, based upon all experi-

live stock situation. The new Governor will be inaugurated on Monday, January 12, the legislature will assemble on Tuesday, January 13, and the reduced railroad rates of one and one-half fare for the round trip, without certificates and

ASK ME ANOTHER

Vance Rucker 1. Does the Farmers' National Grain corporation require contract for delivery with all its stockholders?

2. Do all stockholders of the Farmers' National Grain corporation require contract for delivery with their farmer members? 3. Is there any discrimination be-

tween these two types of stock-4. What are these two types of stockholders mentioned? 5. What requirements do these stockholders meet to become mem-

7. What are the provisions that gov-

8. Have all stockholders of the

of incoming stockholders? 10. Is such a policy sound?

ANSWERS 1. No. Only those stockholders heavily in debt to the Farmers' National Grain corporation are required

pools and operating on that basis require contracts for delivery.

6. Persons engaged in the produc-

tion of agricultural products as farmers, planters, ranchmen, dairymen, and nut or fruit growers may act together in associations, corporate or other-

The regular annual meeting of the Farmers Union Mutual Insurance Company of Kansas and of the Farmers Union Mutual Hail Insurance Company of Kansas will be held in the office of the Companies at Salina, Kansas on Friday, January 16, 1931, at 10 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of electing five directors and the transaction of any other business that should come before this meeting. transaction of any other business that should come before this meeting.

The program of an operating organization is a working plan of action—definite for the short run, varied with

Every policyholder of these companies is entitled to one or respect to divergent conditions in the avotes according to the amount of insurance carried and may more votes according to the amount of insurance carried and may opment with experience and to modifibe cast either in person or by proxy. Proxies should be filed as cation as conditions change. This is soon as possible in order to avoid confusion in checking on the gram. It would be too much to expect

day of the meeting.

We would suggest that as many policyholders as possible attend this meeting but where this cannot be done then each comtend this meeting but where this cannot be done then each community or county select someone to represent them and vote their munity or county select someone to represent them and vote their gram is of necessity a developing plan and we are primarily concerned munity or county select someone to represent them and vote their munity of county select solited to represent them that you are primarily concerned proxies. However, the State law does not permit any person to with the nature of its development. The goal which Congress set up for

C. C. Kilian, President. Chas A. Broom, Secretary.

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I hold policy No. in the Farmers Union Mutual Insurance Company

of Kansas, and I do hereby appoint. as my representative and authorize him to vote for me in the anas my representative and authorize him to vote for me in the annual meeting of the policy holders of the above named insurance from many other agencies, the solutions for serious problems that American farmers have faced and are facting. The task is no less than to de-

Most of the experiments were made

ing of the National Live Stock Mar- ments, suggests that wheat and corn keting Association will present the appear to be practically interchangeable in livestock rations and it depends upon the relative price as to which one would be the more profitable to

Color is given Bulletin No. 2 by a statement that former President Coolidge eats wheat regularly for breakavailable to everybody, will be on sale fast. His formula is "two parts of

tion of resolutions affirming its support of "local, terminal and national sales arencies." The resolutions deal-

ing with this subject follow:
"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we endorse the principles of voluntary co-operative marketing with local, terminal and national sales agencies, , long as the local companies are privileged to retain their local ownership and control."

There is no conflict between the esolutions adopted by the Farmers National Grain Dealers Association and the national co-operative grain marketing program sponsored by the Federal Farm Board and represented by Farmers National Grain Corporation. Co-operative marketing associations operating on the voluntary plan gible. The Capper-voistead requirements apply to one no more than to marketing was an important though to enter and disturb a national promets apply to one no more than to gible. The Capper-Volstead requirethe other.

## Federal Farm Board

the Farm Board was the placing of agriculture on a basis of economic equality with other industries. Some may find this broad statement adequate and comprehensible, but its precise content is not readily apparent. I shall not undertake to elaborate its meaning, though I wish that some of you would try your hand at this task. But I think it is not going too far to say that Congress really charged the Farm Board with taking the lead in working out and applying, with assistance

fewer and fewer as it proceeds, wring out of its study and experience increasingly wise plans of action, and apply them with increasing effective-

The Agricultural Marketing Act is in general permissive, not mandatory. Congress plainly expected the Board

ricultural Marketing Act.

bership. Of necessity, therefore, the Board has regarded this responsibility as fundamental. A large part of its energies and those of its staff—in particular its Loan Division and Division and Division and Division of Cooperative Marketing—there to deal with all that we do see

My fellow workers, let us advertise are: (1) Those requiring a contract dresses which have doubtless come to owned, producer-controlled cooperative are: (1) Those requiring a contract dresses which have doubtless come to owned, producer-controlled cooperative are: (1) Those requiring a contract dresses which have doubtless come to owned, producer-controlled cooperative are: (1) Those requiring a contract dresses which have doubtless come to owned, producer-controlled cooperative are: (1) Those requiring a contract dresses which have doubtless come to owned, producer-controlled cooperative are: (1) Those requiring a contract dresses which have doubtless come to owned, producer-controlled cooperative are: (1) Those requiring a contract dresses which have doubtless come to owned, producer-controlled cooperative are: (1) Those requiring a contract dresses which have doubtless come to owned, producer-controlled cooperative are: (1) Those requiring a contract dresses which have doubtless come to owned, producer-controlled cooperative are: (1) Those requiring a contract dresses which have doubtless come to owned, producer-controlled cooperative are: (1) Those requiring a contract dresses which have doubtless come to owned, producer-controlled cooperative are: (1) Those requiring a contract dresses are the controlled cooperative are the controlled co its policies and its progress during the first year are set forth pretty comprehensively in its first annual report to Congress. This has been called an "honest, candid document." It embedies the Records continue of policy appear in the different associated to the continue of policy appear in the different associated to the continue of policy appear in the different associated to the continue of policy appear in the different associated to the continue of policy appear in the different associated to the continue of policy appear in the different associated to the continue of policy appear in the different associated to the continue of the continu bodies the Board's critical review of policy appear in the different associatis own early experience. I hope you tions, either because of divergences will all read this report, and that ground than I can cover here, and it furnishes the background for what I tives, made up of regional, state, and

> merce. It is not an investigatory mate outcome. Yet it is under no il-body, like the Tariff Commission or lusions that the mere establishment of the Federal Trade Commission. Assembly, analysis, and interpretation of facts; investigations, more or less gain strength by experience. Coopprolonged; examination of proposed policies with reference to their probable working; all these are essential to the prosecution of the Board's task.
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> But the Board is expected to get a strength by experience. Cooperative organizations require experience to grow in strength and wisdom as well as in size. They cannot be experience to grow in strength by experience.

FEDERAL FARM BOARD

Bulletin No. 2 by the Federal Farm Board, entitled "Practical Expériences in Feeding Wheat," is now being circulated. This bulletin contains the results of experiments by twenty-five college stations in feeding wheat to livestock and is the latest authentic information on the subject.

Moreover, let us see what might warfare, the consolidation of positions advance is vital to the success of a campaign. The same process now under way in the developments in this policy, as it develops, as may not be affected by existing legislation.

Viewed as a goal for prompt achievement, this is an impossible task. Testinformation on the subject.

Moreover, let us see what might have happened if the Farm Board had had the power to apply the export depolicy for the united States, looking the success of a campaign. The same process now under way in the development of cooperative marketing will oppose the success of exportable surplus of the wisdom of the Board had the power to apply the export depolicy for the success of a campaign. The same process now under way in the development of cooperative marketing will the success of a campaign. The same process now under way in the development of cooperative marketing will date the power to apply the export depolicy for the success of a campaign. The same process now under way in the development of cooperative marketing will date the power to apply the export depolicy for the viscess of a campaign. The same process in which the success of a campaign. The same process now under way in the development of cooperative marketing will date the power to apply the export depolicy. The success of a campaign. The same process in which the success of a campaign. The same process in which the success of a campaign. The same process in which the success of a campaign. The same process in which the success of a campaign. The same process in which the success of a campaign. The same process in which the success of a campaign. The same process in which the success of a campaign. Th

pating in the program laid down by congress."—Kansas City Star.

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(Continued from page 1) important question is whether the Board can profit by its mistakes, make to be be be been and former and forme velopment.

The Department of Agriculture has developed a valuable outlook service for farmers. The Board has bent its efforts toward strengthening and improving this service. It has effectively thrown its weight on behalf of the to act vigorousy, but did not prescribe a fixed and definite program. In addition to the broad objective, certain fective coordination of the foreign reavailable to everybody, will be on sale limit of January 19, so that one can limit of January 19, so that one can whole, without grinding. The grain is whole, without grinding. The grain is whole, without grinding and the field and is Farm Bureau; Congressman W. P.
Lambertson and many other men of note.

It was my privilege to have a place on the program. Due to the absence of Charlie Barrett, President that I fill in the time, and thus I had an opportunity, for about forty-five minutes alloted me, to cover those phases of the co-operative marketing movement in California that I thought might be of interest to my audience.

Ask ME ANOTHER

Imit of January 19, so that one can whole, without grinding. The grain is just as it comes from the field and is just as it comes from the field and is just as it comes from the field and it is cooperating in the analysis and prices of farm products, prevention and control of surplusess. The Act fixed certain interpretation of this information, for a farm products, prevention and control of surplusess. The Act fixed certain interpretation of this information is already of farm products, prevention and control of surplusess. The Act fixed certain interpretation of Kansas are: The State Association of Kansas are: The State Association of Kansas are: The State Association of Kansas and Farmers National Grain Dealing of the meetings of the co-operative marketing and prices of farm products, prevention and control of surplusess. The Act fixed certain interpretation of this information, for a farm products, prevention and control of surplusess. The Act fixed certain interpretation of surplusess. The Act fixed certain interpretation of this information is already of farm products, prevention and control of surplusess. The Act fixed certain interpretation of this information, for a farm montened of the week and prices of farm products, prevention and control of surplusess. The Act fixed certain interpretation of a long of products, prevention and control of surplusess. The Act fixed certain interpretation of a

Board authority to do several other sion services in bringing the outlook things if in the Board's udgment they information home to producers. Alwould help in attaining the major objectives. The responsibility upon the Board is far heavier because of the Among the grounds for convictions wide leeway given to it under the Ag- as to the importance of farmer cooperatives is that, through these organi-

Congress did not even incorporate in the Act, in mandatory fashion, any measuring stick of achievement, such as the ratio-price provision of an early McNary-Haugen bill. Nor did it prescribe any major device for remedying agricultural ills, such as the equalization fee plan or the export entire that, through these organizations, scattered individual growers may become keenly aware of the importance of adjusting production to prospective market demand, and be able to act in organized fashion to these ends. Few cooperatives have developed to a point where they are yet serving this purpose effectively. But equalization fee plan or the export serving this purpose effectively, but debenture scheme. The nearest approach to this lay in emphasis upon most important functions that they the development of cooperative mar-keting associations, not as an end in itself but as a major means to the end. So pronounced was this emphasis that faith in large possibilities of coopera-tive marketing as a form of a busi-thermony with processors can be as holders of Farmers National Grain tive marketing, as a form of a busi- harmony with processors, can be ex-

The Board does not pretend to have would have been far-reachingly sermastered this problem of readjust- ious.

stabilization operations the outcome tives, made up of regional, state, and taken place then, instead of later; local regional associations, are now in that these declines would have been credited with heavy responsibility for

ly standing by. Granting that with truer analysis of the situation and wiser handling of it, results might have been better, let us recall that the great piling up of world wheat stocks, which so iously complicated the wheat situation last year, occurred before the Farm Board was ever established, and that the causes of the world-wide business depression are far too numerous to be

ed prices in Liverpool to well below a dollar a bushel. With a special discount on our wheats, Chicago prices might have dropped to 90 cents or less might have dropped to 90 cents or less in spite of the differential advantage of the debenture and even if no di rectly countervailing action had been

The Board's policy of urging reduc tion in acreage of wheat and cotton has not received the respectful consideration from economists that it deserves. Suppose the Board had, like Australia, urged rather expansion of acreage, would this have been wiser? Suppose it had failed to take a long look ahead, and call attention to tendencies which have borne fruit all too soon, would farmers have been better

The wheat stabilization measures ecently adopted are the most conspicuous in the Board's immediate program. They represent an extreme type of action, taken in what was deemed a national emergency. By operations of The Grain Stabilization Corporation in wheat, our wheat prices are being held fairly stable above export parity, while the world market prices have sharply declined. The policy was not adopted until our best export period had passed; until a disastrous drought had increased domestic requirements for wheat, until wheat prices had fallen to levels making extensive feed use certain and of encouraging to expansion of wheat acreage, until the world wheat picture had become clearly defined. Admitting risks in the operation and uncertainties as to the outcome, let us see what refusal to act would have involved Even with the world market largely relieved of pressure from our exports Liverpool prices have declined to near holders of Farmers National Grain Corporation and are contributing substantially to its business. The same is strue of associations operating on a contract basis. Each is equally eligible. The Capper-Volstead requirely 20 cents under Chicago, whereas in tion. I submit that the consequences

The day of realistic economics is here. This does not mean eschewing theory and becoming slaves to so-call THE PROGRAM OF THE

| In particular its Loan Division of Cooperative Marketing—| how to deal with all that we do see, have been devoted to this primary | Yet already significant progress is have been devoted to this primary | Yet already significant progress is hard, close reasoning, fertile hypotensis part: | task. | 2. No, not all. Only those known as pools and operating on that basis require contracts for delivery.

3. There is no discrimination; both are equal.

4. These two types of stockholders are: (1) Those requiring a contract of the program is in the proper of the program is in too early a stage of development to be set forth. The Board of any and all associations that can program is in too early a stage of development to be set forth. The Board of any and all associations that can program is in too early a stage of development to be set forth. The Board of any and all associations that can program is in too early a stage of development to be set forth. The Board of any and all associations that can program is in too early a stage of development to be set forth. The Board of any and all associations of theoretical analysis. It means the conclusion of the require heterogeneous support of any and all associations that can program is in too early a stage of development to be set forth. The Board of any and all associations, scattledos and assistance that in cooperative marketing as the program is in too early a stage of development to be set forth. The Board is laid in cooperative marketing as the program is in too early a stage of development to be set forth. The Board is laid in cooperative program is in too early a stage of development to be set forth. The Board is laid in cooperative program is in too early a stage of the program is in too early a stage of the program is in too early a stage of the program is in too early a stage of the program is in too early a stage of the terostrophened in a program is in too early a stage of the program is in too early a stage of the program is in too early a stage of the program is in too early a stage of the program is in too early a stage of the program is in too early a stage of the program is in too early a stage of the program is in too early a stage of the program is in too early a stage of the program is in too early a stage of the program is in too early a stage of th The charge has not been interpret- tably with respect to land policy, the theses, clear-cut concepts. It does not Granting that this is not the whole field of the economist's work, the opcies were adopted with respect to portunities for such work on the part wheat and cotton that led into major of economists are almost unlimited. of economists are almost unlimited. The need was never more urgnet. Too few of us are equipped for such tasks; will all read this report, and that in conditions or because of desires of many of you will give it careful consideration. It covers much more sideration. It covers much more major commodities and some lesser of major commodities and tools, organize the relevant facts and extract their significant meanings, furnishes the background for without capital stock.

7. Such associations may act together, provided that such associations are operated for the mutual benefit of the members as such producers.

8. Yes. All members have met these requirements.

9. They ask that incoming members meet the same requirements of those already affiliated together.

1. It is not primarily a body for merce already affiliated together.

2. They ask that incoming members meet the same requirements of Agriculture and Comparison of the same requirements of Agriculture and Comparison of the parameters of Agriculture and Comparison of the Departments of Agriculture and Comparison of Agric

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