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THE STATE CONVENTION

BIG ATTENDANCE IS EXPECTED AT THE ANNUAL MEET

Much Interest in Coming State Farmers Union Convention is Evident, Coming from All Sections of Kansas Membership

ELECT DELEGATES

Convention Proper Convened 10 a. m. on Wednesday, October 26; Program to be One of Importance and Helpfulness

Indications point to a most successful and widely attended state convention of the Kansas Farmers Union, which is to be held in Clay Center this fall. Many Farmers Union members from widely separated sections of the state have expressed their intention to be present, and interest is rapidly growing in the coming event.

The convention proper will be called to order Wednesday, October 26, at ten o'clock in the morning. The state Farmers Union constitution provides that the annual state convention shall convene at 10 a. m. on the last Wednesday of October. It has been the custom of the Kansas Farmers Union Managerial Association to hold its annual fall meeting on the day preceding the opening of the State convention. While no definite announcement has been received in this matter, it is safe to say that the Managerial Association will meet this year at Clay Center on October 25. This association is of such wide influence, membership and importance that it is ordinarily looked upon as part of the state convention. C. B. Thowe of Alma is the president. O. C. Servis of Winfield is the vice president and Ted Belden, manager of the merchandise department of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association, at Kansas City, is the secretary.

The program of the state convention is not yet completed, but will be published as soon as possible. Speakers of national and state importance will be on the program, and of course each of the Farmers Union activities in the state will be represented. Provision will be made for all who desire to take part in discussions relating to the welfare of the Kansas Farmers Union. According to present plans, among the speakers will be national Farmers Union president John A. Simpson, Governor Harry Woodring of Kansas, several Farmers Union leaders from other states, heads of other Kansas farm organizations, and many others who will bring helpful messages.

The chief concern of the Kansas Farmers Union at present is the matter of collection of dues from locals over the state, in order that all may have a full representation. In many communities, the local Farmers Union units are conducting membership programs or drives, in order to bring their membership up before the state convention.

Each member throughout the state is appealed to at this time to realize the importance of getting as many of his neighbors to renew membership or to become new members, promptly as possible. There is no time to waste, for the convention will be here in a very short period of time. It is urged that this question shall be discussed fully at all Farmers Union meetings held from now on up to convention time. Locals, county units, business associations, and all groups entitled to representation by delegates to the convention, should attend to the matter of selecting delegates to the convention, at once. Forms for credentials will be published in the Kansas Union Farmer from time to time, for the convenience of the membership.

The people of Clay Center, including the Farmers Union membership

in that community and the business and professional men there, are making elaborate preparations for the convention, and all who attend are assured of most profitable and enjoyable four days in that good Kansas community. Music and entertainment will be furnished in abundance. Room accommodations are to be provided so that all will be extremely comfortable, and arrangements have been made with restaurants and cafes to provide excellent food at reasonable prices. Good rail road connections and good highway facilities make the transportation problems of small proportions.

This convention will be one which should be attended by every member who finds it at all possible to be there. The Farmers Union, because of prevailing conditions involving agriculture and economic matters, holds a position of more importance than ever before. The very future of organized agriculture is at stake, and this convention and the deliberations of the members present, will have a most direct bearing on the economic future of Kansas farmers. Each member owes it to his brethren and to himself and his family to be present if possible. Furthermore, it is no more nor less than a patriotic duty for each farmer to align himself with the organization before convention time, in order that the result of the convention shall be representative of a large proportion of Kansas farmers.

Begin making plans now, it is urged, to attend the convention in Clay Center the last week in October. Make plans with your neighbors. One man can take several of his neighbors in his car, all sharing in the expense, making that item of small moment to any individual.

It is to be remembered that the farmers' class organization needs the active support of each farmer now more than ever before. It is well worth a little sacrifice on the part of each farmer, in order to keep the organization in position to carry on for the class it represents.

The following appropriate paragraphs appeared in the current issue of The Co-Operator, published in Kansas City, in the interests of the Farmers Union marketing organizations on the terminal market:

The Kansas Farmers Union State Convention will be held in Clay Center, October 26th to 28th inclusive. The membership upon this strong organization has been affected by present conditions and many have not paid their 1932 dues. The task of getting the membership paid up is a big one, and can only be accomplished through the efforts of every individual. Impart to your neighbor the importance of this strong membership. The Kansas Farmers Union is recognized as one of the strong, State farm organizations in the country. It has accomplished many things and has served its membership well. Its field of activities is large and every member derives some benefit from it.

The necessity of strong cooperative organizations is greater now than ever before. The people making up the agricultural industry of this country cannot hope or expect to combat their enemies unless they are banded together into an organization which will demand the respect and command the attention of all who come in contact with it.

Many questions of utmost importance will come up at the Convention in Clay Center. These questions are deserving of, and should have the consideration of the majority of the membership. They will concern you. If your 1932 dues are not paid, make every effort to get them in so that you can have a voice in the proceedings of the convention.

Remit your 1932 dues to Floyd Lynn Secretary, at Salina, Kansas, or if you are in Kansas City before the Convention, pay them at the Farmers Union Livestock office.

Northern Ireland has one telephone for each forty-seven of its population.

To The Membership

By John A. Simpson.

For your encouragement I am writing this report of the series of meetings I commenced Wednesday, August 10, at Higginsville, Missouri. Before I return to my home in Oklahoma City, November 1, I will have covered eleven states, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, South Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, North Dakota, Montana, Utah and Colorado.

I have now been out twenty-seven days, of which I spent two visiting a sick brother in Kansas and two in going to Columbus, Ohio and back, to meet Governor Roosevelt the Saturday he spoke there. In the twenty-three days of field work I addressed two picnics in Missouri, eleven meetings in Nebraska, in South Dakota talked to ten picnics, nine picnics in Minnesota and up to date, one meeting in Wisconsin. Besides these meetings I broadcasted over Henry Field's station in Shenandoah, Iowa and over the broadcasting station at Norfolk, Nebraska and the station at Yankton, South Dakota; making a total of thirty-six talks in the twenty-three days. At this rate, before I re-

turn home, I will have spoken to more than one hundred audiences.

I am also happy to report that only two of these meetings had an audience of less than one thousand. I am sure they have averaged close to five thousand. A number of them have been ten thousand or more. I am sure, in the thirty-six talks I have talked to more than one hundred and fifty thousand people.

Everywhere I find the Farmers' Union members stronger in the faith than ever before. I also find farmers, who are not members, friendlier and more inclined to become members than ever before. I also find our organization in good repute with the small business men of the little towns. I feel sure that in the near future we are going to have a wonderful growth. It seems that finance is the only thing keeping the unorganized farmer from coming into our organization at once.

Remember, the National Convention meets in Omaha, Nebraska, at the Castle Hotel, Tuesday, November 15, at 9:00 A. M. I hope to see many of you at the National Convention. It is the annual meeting of our organization. Come and help us plan, together, the work we should do next year.

NO DEATHS AMONG KANSANS INSURED IN F. U. COMPANY

That is Wonderful Record so far this Year with Farmers Union Mutual Life Insurance Company, Says Rex Lear

INTERESTING FACTS

Nearly Three Millions in Force in Kansas; Farmers Union Life Insurance Company has Program of Helpfulness to Farmer

Rex Lear, Kansas state manager for the Farmers Union Mutual Life Insurance company, reports that so far this year there have been no deaths among the Kansas family of Farmers Union policy holders. This is a remarkable record when one considers that there are almost three millions of Farmers Union life insurance in force in Kansas.

It might be interesting to note the report of the medical examiner for the Farmers Union Mutual Life Insurance company for a recent 12-months period:

Deaths, 23.
Insurance \$43,500.00.
Of the 23 deaths, five were from injury, four from influenza, three from pneumonia, tumor and cancer, three; gall stone, two; appendicitis,

UNION OIL ON WIBW

The Farmers Union period of broadcast over radio station WIBW, Topeka, will be occupied this Friday evening by the Union Oil Co. (Cooperative). The program will be at 7:30 o'clock, and all who have an opportunity to tune in on the program will hear a message of real importance. This cooperative firm dealing in petroleum products has filled a real cooperative need in Kansas and other western states, and is making outstanding development. All should hear this program.

two; tuberculosis, one; heart disease, one; Leukemia, one, and sore throat, one.

One policyholder who died of pneumonia had his policy five days. Another had his policy six months and twenty days. Another was killed by a bull two weeks after policy was delivered.

Three had policy over one year but less than two years. The oldest policy was six years, three months, and another six years and two months.

During this same one-year period, the medical director passed upon \$2,717,000.00 of business. The amount of business issued was \$2,221,500.00; amount of business rejected, \$55,500.

The present price of farm products is forcing many farmers to borrow on their life insurance estate. They are (continued on page 4)

FARMERS UNION COOP. CREAMERY HOLDS MEETING

All Members of Board and Several Others Attended Meeting on Friday, September 9, in Wakeney Plant

GOOD BUSINESS SHOWN

Better of Regional Selling Agency Made Interesting Report of Selling Operations; Kansas Outfit is Largest Customer

The Farmers Union Cooperative Creamery plant at Wakeney, Kansas, was the scene of a meeting of the board of directors of the Farmers Union Cooperative Creamery Association last Friday, September 9. All board members were present, and the meeting was also attended by the following: P. L. Betts, Chicago, sales manager of the Dairy and Poultry Cooperatives, regional cooperative set-up handling the sales for the Farmers Union association; N. A. Ormsby, manager of the Wakeney plant; O. W. Schell, manager of the Colony plant; T. B. Dunn, secretary-manager of the Farmers Union Auditing Association; C. A. Ward, president of the Kansas Farmers Union, and Floyd Lynn, secretary of the Kansas Farmers Union.

Members of the board are: E. F.

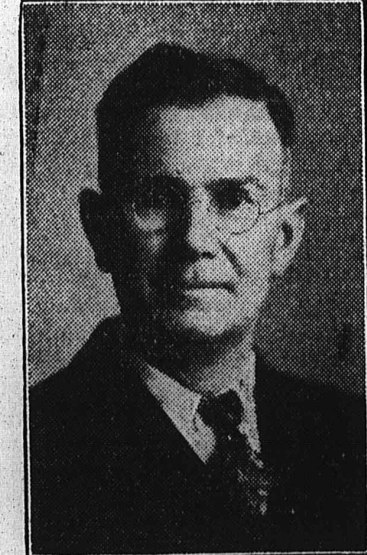
HERE ARE SOME OF THE LEADERS OF KANSAS FARMERS UNION ACTIVITIES



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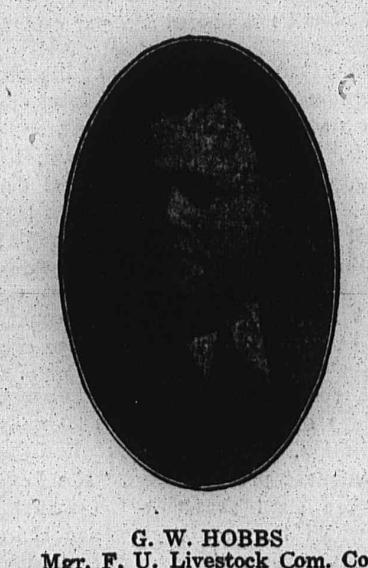
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These men will be glad to see you at the Farmers Union booth at the Kansas Free Fair in Topeka this week.

FARMERS UNION OFFERS ATTRACTIVE COAL DEAL

Merchandising Department Handles Many Products

The Farmers Union Jobbing Association has around 100 future orders for Deep Shaft Southern Kansas Coal on their books, and are receiving more every day. The merchandising department is pleased to make public the fact that they have received a complaint on the quality of the coal and they have shipped a large number of cars.

The price on this coal is guaranteed to be in line with that quoted by any legitimate dealer. It will be to your advantage to get your coal orders in so that your dealer can book his orders with the Jobbing Association.

The Farmers Union members need not get outside of their own organization for a big part of their supplies. The Jobbing Association, through its merchandising department, is in a position to furnish you with any number of articles necessary in the home and feed lots. The heads of the merchandising department are always working to widen their line and obtain for their customers the best of products at the lowest cost. It will pay you to use their products whenever possible.—The Co-Operator.

Schiefelbusch, Osawatomie, president; P. F. Peterson Alta Vista, vice president; H. B. Whitaker, Colony; F. R. Wells, Elmdale; O. Organ, Grainfield; T. M. Turner, Wakeney, and J. A. Engert, Clay Center. A. W. Seamans is general manager and secretary of the board and was present at the meeting.

A detailed report of the meeting or of the operations will not be attempted here; however, in a later issue such a report will likely be given. The membership generally will be gratified to know that both plants are now doing a very good business, and making money on their operations. The connections with the regional sales agency have been more advantageous, and have opened up possibilities for much future development. The volume of production reached the peak in June for both plants.

The plant at Colony, which has been in operation slightly over six months, has produced much more than had been expected of it. Its operations have been running ahead of its intended capacity. At this point the operations are confined to the production of butter, while at Wakeney operations include the manufacture of butter, and handling and marketing of poultry and eggs.

Both plants show the result of intelligent business management, and the future of the Association looks bright, indeed.

Mr. Betts gave an interesting report on operations of the regional selling agency, known as the Dairy and Poultry Cooperatives. He stated he was glad to visit the regional "largest Customer." This statement, together with following reports, brought out the fact that the Farmers Union Cooperative Creamery Association furnishes the regional with its largest volume of business from any one cooperative or group. Accordingly, the dividends paid back to the regional to the Kansas Farmers Union group are larger than those to any other group or customer. This will be more fully explained in a later article.

Kansas Farmers Union members may well be proud of the Farmers Union creamery. All creameries and produce associations have been victims of the depression to a very large extent, and of course the Farmers Union organization was no exception. However, the Kansas outfit has weathered the storm and now seems to be approaching a period of good business and prosperity. Undoubtedly, aside from profits and losses as shown on the ledgers, this organization (continued on page 2)

THE FARMERS UNION BOOTH AT THE FAIR IS HEADQUARTERS

The Kansas Farmers Union and Associated Activities to be on Hand to Meet with Friends and to Visit Them

AT HUTCHINSON, TOO

State Leaders too Busy to Spend Week at Fair but will be in Attendance Much as Possible; Will be Glad to Meet You

This issue of the Kansas Union Farmer goes to press on the opening days of the Kansas Free Fair, being held at Topeka, Kansas, the capital city of the state.

The Farmers Union of Kansas, together with all the associated Farmers Union activities, has a booth at this fair, and it is sincerely hoped that every farmer who stands the fair will visit this booth and get better acquainted with the Farmers Union program and the programs that are being carried on by the various activities.

The heads of the various Farmers Union activities are always very busy folks, and it will be impossible for many of them to spend a whole lot of time at the Farmers Union booth. Their many duties keep them in their offices or out over the territory, as they seek to improve the service their institutions are rendering the membership, and to take care of the cooperative business in an efficient manner. Yet many of them will find time to be at the Farmers Union booth at least part of the time. They are as interested in meeting their friends, as their friends should be interested in meeting them. Such meetings as these prove mutually helpful. The Farmers Union has not spent a great deal of money in making the booth beautiful. In fact, there may be some peanut stands which will surpass the Farmers Union booth in sheer beauty. Money is hard to get, and to spend it lavishly just to make our headquarters at the fair a beautiful place would be very much out of line.

Beauty, however, will be replaced with cordial welcome; which is far more representative of the Farmers Union than that attractiveness to the eye.

Elsewhere in this issue will be found several photographs of Farmers Union leaders of Kansas. These same pictures were seen in last week's issue of the paper. These fellows are true friends of the Farmers Union membership in Kansas. If you have not met them, go to the Farmers Union booth at Topeka this week and ask to meet them. If they happen to be there when you come to the booth, they will be greatly pleased to visit with you. We are unfortunate in not having a picture of W. J. Spencer of the Farmers Union Mutual Insurance Co. There are many other leaders whose pictures we do not have, but they will be glad to see you and talk to you if you are fortunate enough to meet them.

Make the Farmers Union booth your headquarters at the fair this week in Topeka. The booth will be set up again the following week at Hutchinson, at the state fair held there. You are cordially invited to visit the Farmers Union booth at Hutchinson, as well as at Topeka.

During the past two weeks, the extreme top on the hog market has been made in the Farmers Union alley. On Friday, August 26th, Farmers Union hold hogs at \$4.45 which was top for that week, and on Thursday, September 1st, we set the week's top of \$4.35. These two sales were the only one on the yards at the above mentioned prices during the two weeks.—The Co-Operator.

Wells Explains Cooperation

Last week the Kansas Union Farmer published the first half of the good speech which was delivered by Tom Wells of Elmdale when he appeared before a Farmers Union meeting at Randolph, Kansas. As part of the talk told what the Farmers Union stands for, and tells some interesting history relative to the origin and development of cooperation. This week's installment of Brother Wells' talk starts with a discussion of Farmers Union business and marketing associations. It follows:

Mr. Wells' Talk Continued
In most of the communities where we have the Farmers Union, we have some kind of business associations, running all the way from a shipping association to business that can supply you with just about everything that the farmer demands. We have that kind of a business at Elmdale, handling about everything in the general mercantile line including petroleum products. There is hardly any limit to the service a local business can render to a group of loyal cooperators.

Life Insurance
I wish briefly as possible to review our state and interstate activities. First, there is a Farmers Union Mutual Life Insurance Company with the home office located at Des Moines, Iowa. One can hardly believe the wonderful progress our Life Insurance Company has made, going through our past and present depressive times making a splendid growth. This is a true story. Beginning October 17, 1922, without capital or contributed surplus. Starting from

the grass roots if you please. Last year's report showed \$14,000,000.00 insurance in force. Paid to policy holders \$375,000.00. Loaned to Farmers over \$875,000.00. Paid on mortgages. Over \$190,000.00 loaned on policies. We have three times increased our dividends to policy holders. Our mortality experience is much below average. For the first six months of this year we have increased our assets over \$80,000.00. I believe that within a short time the membership of the Farmers Union will realize the possibility of this activity of our organization. My friends it is the only life insurance that is designed for the farmer and should have the support of all of you. And the patronage of all who take any form of life insurance, for he Farmers Union writes at any kind of legal reserve policy you desire. Legal reserve life insurance has survived every panic, hard times or depression that this country has ever had and it is the only thing that has.

I know a lot of you think these are the worst times we have ever had, but let me read you a little of the conditions of the past history of this country, not that I would have you think that I am defending the present condition for I am not and it should not exist; but we have had bad times before, in fact we have had nineteen major depressions, if that is what you like to call them, and the thing that should encourage us is the fact that we have always come through these periods and we will again I am sure if we will organize (continued on page 2)

To Have New Feed Contract

The Farmers Union Jobbing Association, since the destruction by fire of the Success Mills, is faced with the necessity of making new arrangements with another mill to furnish its source of supply for commercial mixed feeds. Several propositions are now under consideration, and the Jobbing Association is taking time enough to affect an arrangement which will be advantageous to all concerned. Such an arrangement will be announced just as soon as it can be completed.

In the meantime the Jobbing Association is urging its friends and customers to stand by for a time until the new contract can be made. It will be to the advantage of the managers of cooperative stores and elevators and all present customers of the Jobbing Association to wait for this new contract and not go ahead and make their own contracts with feed manufacturers. The Jobbing Association always has been in a position to cooperate with the stores and elevators and through this cooperation has saved Farmers Union patrons thousands of dollars.

It is impossible to say just how much time will be required for the Jobbing Association to complete satisfactory arrangements, but it is the sincere hope of Manager H. E. With-

am of the Jobbing Association that the stores and elevators will remain loyal and will get by without buying in very large quantities until the time arrives when the new and advantageous Farmers Union Jobbing Association contract will be ready. The Jobbing Association intends to continue their policy of putting out their own UNION brands of commercial mixed feeds, and it will be worth while to wait for them.

Mr. Witham recently announced that it is his understanding that Success Mills will continue to merchandise tankage and meat scraps, since that department was not affected by the recent fire; but that the Jobbing Association is not sure whether or not it will continue its present arrangement with Success Mills on these products.

At any rate, the Jobbing Association definitely promises that no matter with whom they may make a new contract, Farmers Union customers will be assured of getting high quality merchandise, at the lowest possible cost. This, of course, will be in line with the policy which always has been carried on by the Farmers Union Jobbing Association. It is simply a matter of cooperation, and the Jobbing Association always has been a leader in such matters.

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IT'S WORTH A SACRIFICE

It is a fact, a well understood fact, that many local and county officers hesitate to go to their neighbors, who are delinquent in their dues in the Farmers Union, and ask them for these dues. The local officers hesitate, for they know what all the rest of us know, that their neighbors are hard up, and that the payment of dues entails a sacrifice in many cases.

As we have intimated, this is a generally known fact. Payment of dues in the Farmers Union does call for a sacrifice. However, all of the farmers who have thought out the whole problem and who have become convinced of the absolute necessity of organization and concerted effort as carried on by our own class organization, realize that membership and support of the organization is much more than worth the sacrifice.

Brothers, let us face the facts together, and reason this thing out. Our dues in the Farmers Union at \$2.75 per year represent the greatest and most important investment we can ever hope to make. These dues, which are translated into the necessary support of our own organization, are the only means by which you or I can become members of the Farmers Union. Membership would be free if it were possible to operate that way. Unfortunately, that is not yet possible. Your membership and support are absolutely necessary to carry us through in this time of national disaster.

The well being and the progress of the Farmers Union is of far greater importance to each farmer than the matter of who shall be elected president of the United States. The Farmers Union is more important to the welfare of agriculture than is either political party. Neither political faction would pay the slightest attention to agriculture or our demands for legislation or any other benefits if it were not for the Farmers Union, or other similar organizations.

A well supported Farmers Union, made strong by the payment of your dues, and the dues of your neighbor, will do more, in time, for all of us as farmers than will either party, either candidate for President, or any board or group set up by a government which might be controlled by either party. In fact, a strong Farmers Union (and your dues are needed to make it strong) is the thing which will make these boards and groups function for the benefit of agriculture.

A great deal of our strength as a class lies in our right to vote. However, if we are not organized, our worst enemies will not worry for one minute over what we will do at the polls. Now, if we were organized as

we would be if each farmer would pay his dues into the organization, we would act as a unit; and what a scamp there would be among the office holders to cater to our demands. We, as American citizens, have always been mighty proud of our franchise at the polls. In fact, we have bragged about it a great deal—and rightly so. But the facts are—and we had just as well recognize them as facts—that the effectiveness of our franchise is largely wasted at the polls because we are not thoroughly organized as a class. This is true because our votes simply elect or defeat certain candidates; whereas, if we were thoroughly organized, these candidates whom we elect would truly be our servants and would really render service beneficial to us. They would know that, through organization, we would have strength to enforce the demands we make or the campaign pledges which may have been accepted by us.

In view of these facts, the sacrifice necessary to pay our dues is well worth the seeming hardship. In view of these circumstances, the payment of our Farmers Union dues becomes an outstanding investment. The payment of our dues becomes an investment in the one thing which we value most highly—the effective exercise of our franchise at the polls.

No one seeks to minimize the fact that there's a tragic depression of farm prices. It is up to us, as things stand now, to avoid more depression or a recurrence of the present depression. No one is going to volunteer to help agriculture, to any lasting degree, except the farmers themselves. Other classes are beginning to realize the fact that without the farmers receiving livable prices, prosperity for the country as a whole cannot exist. But the other classes are not going to do any more for the farmer than is absolutely necessary, figuring it from their own selfish viewpoint. Therefore, if the farmers do not organize to act for themselves, they had just as well resign themselves to a permanent condition of servitude.

By the same token, we need not expect to hear any encouragement for organization among people outside of our own class. Other classes are more than willing to have us slip into a condition of peasantry. They realize, too, that lack of organization among farmers is the surest short-cut to peasantry for the agricultural classes. By "other classes" we do not mean to include those who live in our smaller towns and cities out here in agricultural Kansas. Most of the folks in these agricultural municipalities are farmers in a broader sense of the word. Those who make up the classes who are willing to see us reduced to peasantry are those who

make their livings by speculating in farm products, and who reap the benefits of wide margins which exist between the prices received by the farmers and the prices paid by the consumers.

Therefore, we must fight our own battles. We cannot fight these battles except through organization. Organizations—and we are referring particularly right now to the Farmers Union—cannot exist unless the farmers pay their dues.

Without the Farmers Union, all the progress we have made as farmers in the matter of marketing our products cooperatively, will be wiped out. Then we will have the whole fight over again before we regain our present standing. Rather than have such a condition exist, we had much better sacrifice a great deal, if necessary, and tide our organization over these hazardous times. Then, we will have our resources in a position to boost our class forward to new accomplishments, instead of having to take these same resources to bring us back up to where we are now.

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

CAL A. WARD
President Kansas Farmers Union

THE FARMER'S ECONOMIC POSITION

The farmers of this country find themselves in the most critical condition of all groups as this depression hangs on. For twelve or fourteen years agriculture has realized the seriousness of its condition and futile attempts have been made to obtain relief but conditions have only grown worse.

Farm organizations have pleaded in vain for state and federal legislation which would be helpful. Big business because of wealth and political advantage for several years accumulated still more wealth to the direct disadvantage of the farmer and millions of plain people.

Mr. Owen B. Young recently stated that it is a mistake for any group in the system to think it can hold a position regardless of the effects of its position upon other groups. We sell to and buy from each other and what we have for sale must pay for what we wish to buy or business can not go on. This is as true as the multiplication table, but many people do not comprehend these conditions. The disparity between the prices of what the farmer sells and what he is accustomed to buy has increased until, as recently reported by the department of agriculture, a given quantity of farm products will buy only about one-half as much of the other things as they would over the five years ended in 1913. This has not only been the undoing of the farmer, but it has been destructive to trade and business throughout the nation. For after all, agriculture is the principal source of business. The 1930 census shows 44 per cent of the population of this country living on farms or in villages and towns of less than 2500 persons. The department of agriculture brings forth the information that farmers suffered more than business because business was highly organized. The farmer, whose labor is largely performed by himself and family, continues to produce even with falling prices. He can do nothing else with either his land or his labor. He buckles up his belt and works harder if possible to make up in quantity what he is losing in price.

Today farmers by the thousands are going broke and losing their farms and it will not do to underestimate the seriousness of this condition. Prices have been on the down trend and we are watching the unstable and dishonest dollar take our savings of a life time. None of our major bills offered to help agriculture have passed in Congress. First, the McNary bill, and at the last session, the Goldborough bill and the Norbeck bill, all were defeated. Both political parties have held their national conventions and announced their platforms. One is about as wholly lacking as the other when it comes to helping the farmer and thus, with deplorable farm commodity prices, wheat 30c a bushel, hogs 3 1-2 c a pound, eggs around 12c a dozen, butterfat around 15c per pound, we are attempting to carry on. All the credit arranged through the Reconstruction Finance Corporation under present conditions will not save the day. Additional borrowing and going in debt only makes a bad situation worse, with present farm commodity prices.

Back in 1927 there was a meeting of the corn belt federation and even though hogs were \$9.00 a hundred and wheat was \$1.00 a bushel the following resolution was unanimously adopted: "If we cannot obtain justice by legislation the time will have arrived when no other course remains than organized refusal to deliver the products of the farm at less than production costs."

Need Fair Prices

Recently in an issue of the Kansas Union Farmer your Editor offered the suggestion to sell nothing except through cooperative channels or direct to the consumer. This would accomplish the purpose. Through this plan exorbitant profits by dealers are eliminated and the cooperative marketing machinery is strengthened. Concerted action on the part of the farmers will enable them to get fair prices for their products.

If we are organized in mass numbers as we should be there would be no need of a strike such as is taking place in several of our states. There is universal sympathy for the striking farmers who are fighting for higher prices for their produce. Many, however, are objecting to the methods used and feel the farmers are going about it in the wrong way. If somehow, every producer could take advantage of the benefits provided for in the Agricultural Marketing Act it wouldn't be sixty days until we could get cost of production. Everything would be marketed cooperatively for this is a cooperative bill. But rather than take advantage of the facilities offered through the Marketing Act, entirely too many have thrown barriers in the way.

While big business and pet departments of government received aid, attempts are being made to strangle the effectiveness of this legislation. On the same day the Senate cut the farm board appropriation to \$600,000.00 it voted an appropriation of \$400,000.00 to celebrate the anniversary of General Clark, a revolutionary war hero.

At the same time it is to be remembered that just four years ago both political parties had as a part of their platforms a plank pledging to place agriculture upon an equal economic footing with industry. The farmers all over the country well know that this has not been done. Faith has been broken and all of us are up in arms hoping to find some relief which will save us from utter ruin. Among others, there is one line of attack left. In November we will elect men to fill places of political positions up to and including a President. Regardless of political parties farmers should support only those who in a measure at least understand the plight of the farmer and the relation of prosperous agriculture to national economic betterment.

MUST BUILD MEMBERSHIP

The Kansas Farmers Union has for many years maintained a large membership. Because of hard times and scarcity of money our membership has shrunk to a considerable extent. Our challenge now is to bring back and reinstate our membership so that our influence can be felt in the most effective way to help out in this situation. We appeal once more for every member to see his neighbor and ask him to pay his dues.

Our state convention is just about six weeks off and we have reasons to believe that every local, county and business association will be represented by delegates. At that time we will draft a program which will look into the new year which is ahead of us; and with the cooperation of every loyal member we will go forward in a determined hope to benefit our people and assist in the saving of a demoralized agriculture.

TAX RELIEF DEPARTMENT

By John Frost
Blue Rapids, Kansas

Number 52

PRORATING TAXES UNDER THE TAX LIMITING AMENDMENT

The tax limiting amendment applies to property taxes only, and provides that total taxes for all purposes shall be limited as follows:

1. Shall not exceed 2 per cent of true value in cities.
2. Shall not exceed 2 per cent of true value in city school districts whose area outside the city is less than the area inside the city.
3. Shall not exceed 1 1/2 per cent of true value in city school districts not noted. If the tax limiting amendment is adopted, and total city taxes are limited to 2 per cent, or 20 mills, how much may the state, the county, the city, and the school district levy, so that the total tax levy shall not exceed the limit of 20 mills? If the Legislature should do nothing about it, then the state might act first and levy 2 mills, the county might next levy 5 mills, then the city might levy 12 mills, leaving only 1 mill possible for the school district to levy and keep within the 20 mills limitation. So the tax limiting amendment provides that, "The Legislature shall prescribe the manner by which the rate of taxation shall be prorated to the several taxing units." The writer is venturing to suggest how the prorating should be done, realizing that his suggestions may be picked to pieces, as this is new and untried legislation in Kansas.

First, all statutory tax limitations provided in article 19 of Chapter 79 of the 1923 General Statutes and all other property tax limitations—both general and special—should be repealed. Then, it is suggested, that the several taxing units be limited as to the total tax levy they may levy, as follows:

(A) Cities whose outlying school district area is smaller than the area of the city.

(B) Cities whose outlying school district area is greater than the area of the city.

(C) Country elsewhere.

	A	B	C
Cities	Cities	Country	
State	1 mill	1 mill	1 mill
County	3 mills	3 mills	3 mills
City	6 mills	7 mills	
Township			2 mills
Schools	10 mills	9 mills	9 mills
Total	20 mills	20 mills	15 mills

It should be understood that this schedule of property tax limitations should not be made until after it is determined what other taxes are to be levied, and how apportioned. If the graduated income tax amendment is adopted, and a graduated income tax levied sufficient to pay all state expenses (outside of fees and special taxes), and so apportioned by the Legislature, then the 1 mill state limit provided in the schedules given, should be omitted, and the schedules revised, for no property tax would be needed for state purposes then. If the graduated income tax amendment is not adopted, the Legislature might levy a uniform income tax. If any tax is levied, and any substantial amount is allotted to schools, then the limits provided in the schedules given for schools could be reduced, and the schedules revised. Likewise, if any time, the gas tax is applied to reduce the property tax for roads, streets, or bridges, the limitation schedules given should be revised. These property tax limitation schedules might need revision at every session of the Legislature.

Property tax limitation Schedules A and C are given as suggested by Mr. Carl Rice of Parsons, the author of the tax limiting amendment. But without Schedule B, there is a situation for which it appears no provision is made. How about a city school district whose area outside the city is greater than the area inside the city? Some folks say that in such a district, that the total tax limit is 15 mills. This is in error. In the city part of such district the total limit is 20 mills, and for schools 10 mills according to the Schedule A. In the country part of such district the total limit is 15 mills, and for schools 9 mills according to Schedule C. And as the city school district could not levy a 9 mill tax in the country part of the district, and a 10 mill tax in the city part of the district, the school limit of levy would have to be 9 mills for the entire district, making a total city limit of 19 mills, instead of 15 mills as claimed by some.

As 19 mills is 1 mill below the 20 mill limit provided for cities, the writer suggests (see Schedule B), that in such city school districts that the school levy be limited to 9 mills, and that the city limit be increased from 6 mills to 7 mills, with the provision that the extra mill could be used for any public purpose determined by the City Council, and might be used for schools.

The further difficulty that high school levies and common school levies are made by separate taxing bodies, or units, could be adjusted by a budget committee headed by the County Superintendent or the State Superintendent. The levy for state colleges would be included in the state levy. The tax limiting amendment is workable.

WELLS EXPLAINS COOPERATION

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and cooperate in keeping with the principles and plans of the Farmers Union.

Property Insurance

Our Fire Insurance Company, the second largest mutual insurance company in the state, with a reputation second to none, with the splendid service we have given the policy holders, and the savings we have made to them, you would think every farmer would want to carry his protection in the Farmers Union, or if he did not like the Union that he would carry his protection with some other good mutual Kansas insurance company. But let me give you the figures on the matter of insurance as taken from the records. The twenty two Kansas Mutual companies carry over 9 per cent of the fire and tornado insurance. Three Kansas stock companies carry one per cent and six Kansas Mutual Hail insurance companies carry 1 per cent, making a total of only 11 per cent for the thirty one Kansas companies, while a total of two hundred fifty out of the company of carry 89 per cent of the insurance written in Kansas. Then we wonder where all the money goes to. I hope that every one of you will determine that when you renew your insurance that you will at least not send your insurance money in the way of premiums out of the state and my advice would be to write it in the Farmers Union Mutual Insurance Company of Kansas. Let us quit sending our money out of the state when we have as good at home.

Live Stock Business
Now as to the Farmers Union

Live Stock Commission Company. I know a lot of you people up and down the state, they would be notified in the Kansas Union Farmer how you send your stock to your own firm. If a fellow would not be proud of all our live stock commissions at the terminal markets, you never would make a peacock out of him. At Kansas City our firm tops the hog market every day and tops the cattle market every time they have top cattle. In the month of June the Farmers Union at Kansas City received 270 car loads of live stock by truck and 111 by railway. They figure 70 head of hogs, 40 head of cattle and calves, 115 head of sheep per car for stock arriving by truck, practically 11,000 hogs were trucked to the Kansas City firm in June and we have \$1,000 more net profit than we had at this time last year. If the old line commission houses could have put us out of business years ago, they would have done so. I well remember when our pens were picketed and we were called on to raise money to fight to retain our place on the public market where we could have the privilege of selling through our own firm on the Kansas City market. I know the present management is feeling fine toward you who have been so loyal and have cooperated to make our Kansas City firm what it is. They are a fine group of people that are working for you at Kansas City from George Hobbs down the line. Personally I would feel guilty of committing a crime to ship my own livestock to any other than the Farmers Union.

At the present time there are two schedules at Kansas City. On May 18, 1932 the acting Secretary of Agriculture issued an order directing a reduction in the commission rate. This rate was not accepted by members of the Kansas City Live Stock Exchange. It is a long story but the results are that the cooperating firms are working on a reduction of from 17 to 20 per cent, while the old line firms after fighting the order are working under a reduction of from 10 to 12 per cent.

The thing that gets me is, why do we producers not ship all to our own firms. It really makes but little difference what our commission rate is, for we refund to our stock holder members anyhow. I hope the day will come when the farmers of this country will sell everything they sell through their own sales agency. If we ever become organized as we should be we will not have to resort to strikes in order to receive a just price for the products of our farm.

Farmers Union Creamery
As a member of the Board of Directors of the Farmers Union Cooperative Creamery, I can assure you we have been having a hard fight, but we are doing an enormous business, especially at the new plant at Colony, Kansas. It has been about doubled over its intended capacity, and the plant at Wakeeney is receiving a fine volume. I think that you all know that the last two years have been trying times for creameries, but I am glad to state that we reduced our overhead a number of times. At the present it is not costing as much to produce the cream delivered at the plant as the station operator received at one time. That our creamery is being run more on a cooperative plan than ever before, that conditions are better than we have been, it is evident that we have passed through the worst and that we may look forward for a steady improvement. But friends we must stand by our own organizations, let come what will. Let us stand by our guns and work together.

Union Oil Co.
Then we have the Union Oil Company Cooperative that has been marching on to victory from the first day to the present time. It is covering a broad field and doing a great work, having saved thousands and thousands of dollars for its patrons.

Auditor Assn.
We have our Farmers Union Auditing association, managed by that wise, live Scotchman, Thos. B. Dunn. You are just wasting your time if you try to fool him. Believe every one who knows about our Farmers Union Auditing Association has a wholesome respect for their work, and their high standing for efficiency.

Jobbing Assn.

I am not going to overlook our Jobbing Association. The merger that has recently taken place is going to make this organization stronger and better than ever from an economy standpoint, and economy is the thing that is very important at these times. The fact that we merged our grain sales with the Farmers National, was the cause of the Equity also doing the same thing. Now instead of having three grain sales agents on the Kansas City market, we have merged one and it will handle the whole business with but little more expense. That will give our Jobbing Association an assured income from this business, a greater portion of which will go back to the shipper. Since this merger with The Farmers National, we have paid out in pro ratio dividends to our shippers, \$50,000.00, the first pro ratio has ever been paid to grain shippers. The Jobbing Association still has a very substantial surplus and is going to carry on its merchandise business. In fact they will turn all their attention to the gathering of grain and the merchandise business. The past year, they sold the entire output of the Kansas twine plant and at the present time they are taking it just as fast as it is being made.

The Jobbing Association is handling everything in the way of feeds and flour. It all has a money back guarantee. The Jobbing Association under its present management has become a vast and far reaching enterprise, that is on the job at all times in behalf of the producer and consumer of farm commodities.

In addition to all the purposes and principles of the business activities of the Farmers Union, we have our Kansas Union Farmer that comes to the membership each week. A paper devoted to the cause of the organization and cooperation which should be of interest to all farmers. The dues in the Farmers Union are \$2.75 per year. Friends, I can not see why we as Farmers should not be members of this militant, marketing farm organization. You need it and it needs you and is worthy of your support.

Your influence, organized, can and will shape the future destiny of this nation. It is the plan and purpose of the Farmers Union to be just as to all mankind. We must learn the lesson that it pays to be good.

It was not my intention to make a talk on the income tax amendment at this time and would not had I not attended the Dr. Brinkley meeting in our county yesterday. It is my belief that it was Brinkley that defeated the income tax amendment two years ago and he will do the same thing again this year if it is in his power to do so, by telling the voters to vote against it that it is just another tax. I want to say to you, my friends it is the only just tax, and that the income tax is the only hope of any important tax the farmer has to look forward to.

I wish to give you a real illustration of a case that I know, which will show to any one the faulty tax system under which we have been living ever since Kansas became a state. It was all right in bygone years, but has no justice whatever under our modern conditions. The father and mother had two sons. One has a farm well equipped, that must pay the present high tax, or the farm is sold for taxes. Conditions have been such for the last three years that the farm would not pay the way of the family and the upkeep and the taxes. The other son has a good position and pays no tax, the other is not able, but must pay all the tax. I cannot understand how any one that has given the income tax amendment any thought and is willing to bear their just burden of government, should be opposed to the income tax amendment. With the fight that is being made at this time against it, one is forced to believe that many are not willing to help maintain the government that educates their children and protects them. No farmer should fail to vote yes on the income tax amendment and I am sure you will not unless you allow some one to fool you.

Friends, I believe in the Farmers Union. I believe in the future of this country. Under the banner of the Farmers Union and the flag of our Country let us unite to drive the demons of the earth from our homes, those things that destroy—selfishness, pride, greed, malice, dishonesty, jealousy and intolerance—and enthroned in their stead the highest and noblest things of life. The things that make life worth while: belief in God and justice to our fellow men by securing equity and establishing justice and applying the Golden Rule. That we may be worthy of the sacrifice that we have received from this nation of ours and passed on to their reward. May we so live and act that the inheritance that we have received shall pass on to those who shall justly receive it.

FARMERS UNION COOP. CREAMERY HOLDS MEETING

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tion has been of untold value to the Farmers Union organization as a whole. There can be no questioning the fact that where a cooperative creamery exists, the old-line creameries are forced to pay a much higher price for cream and produce than they otherwise would do. It was brought out in the Wakeeney meeting that old-line creameries have hiked the prices in certain communities where cooperative creameries such as the Farmers Union creamery existed, and then made up their loss of market by lowering their prices in other communities.

This is an organization which has the good will and support of the membership generally, and that is as it should be. Kansas farmers Union folks will look forward to a renewed development of the Farmers Union Cooperative Creamery Association.

KANSAS FIRE LOSSES GROW

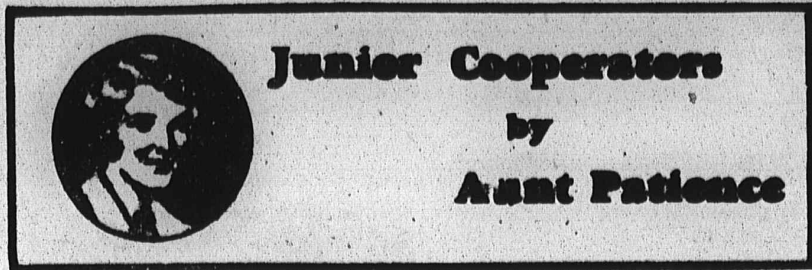
The report of fire losses in Kansas for August, 1932, shows an increase of \$32,920 over July, 1932, according to the report July in 1932 showed a considerable increase over July a year ago. The report is issued by Douglas A. Graham, State Fire Marshal.

The total fire loss for August, 1932, amounted to \$468,562 resulting from 217 fires, an increase of \$215,509, with 187 fires, in August, 1931. Montgomery county leads all the counties in the amount of loss, having 13 fires with loss amounting to \$149,039. Most of these losses occurred in one fire in Coffeyville where a number of mercantile establishments went up in smoke in one fire. Wyandotte county is second in losses, with 40 fires, and a loss of \$108,349. Anderson county was third, having four fires and losses aggregating \$22,945. Atchison county takes first prize, having only one fire during the month, with one dollar loss. Sedgwick county, with the second city of the state within its boundaries, was ninth, with 27 fires for \$12,762 in losses.

58 fires out of the 217 for the entire state were listed as "cause unknown," with a loss of \$219,515. Eleven fires were classified as miscellaneous; 14 were caused by lightning, 13 of which occurred where there were no lightning rods on the buildings. There were at least eleven fires that can be attributed to carelessness from smoking cigars, cigarettes and pipes.

There were 24 fires in stores and mercantile establishments for the month, with a loss of \$201,800, an increase of \$177,918 over the same month last year when 9 stores were burned. "This alarming increase of fires and fire losses in mercantile establishments," said Mr. Graham, "will lead to a careful investigation, and every effort will be made to reduce this class of losses."

Dwelling fires led all classes of buildings last month, there being 102 fires in residences with losses amounting to \$86,787. During the month 30 barns were burned with losses aggregating \$69,795. Eleven automobiles went up in smoke during the month.



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 sign 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.

Dear Junior Cooperators:
I promised to tell you all something about my vacation this year, didn't I? So I'll begin with the state of Pennsylvania, which was the first I visited.

Pennsylvania is rich in spots of historic interest and scenery. I don't have space to tell you about all of them here and so I'll try to choose only the most interesting.

At Erie, Pennsylvania, I saw and visited the Wolverine, which was the first steam iron clad warship. This ship is still in service. When it was built people jeered and hooted at the idea that anything covered with iron, could float. But it did float—and it became the fore-runner of our modern battleships.

Also on display at Erie is the S. S. Niagara, Commodore Oliver H. Perry's flagship. It was on this ship, you remember, that Commodore Perry gave his historic command, "Don't give up the ship, boys." This ship has now become a museum of war relics, and may be visited by the tourist.

One of the most interesting things which I saw in the museum at Erie, was an original letter written by George Washington. It was written in a very fine, flowing script—almost like engraving. The paper was yellowed and creased—but there was something about actually seeing that letter—written in Washington's own hand—that made the man himself, and the cause for which he fought, suddenly real to me. There are very few of these letters in existence and I am quoting the content for you.

Headquarters Morris Town 14th, January 1777.

Dear Sir,
sometime ago recd. Advice that a large parcel of clothing as forwarded from New England to peekish with an intent to come on to this Army.

I could not account for its being delayed there, until I was just now informed by the Quarter Master. General that the Convention of your State had appropriated 26 bales of it to their own use without consulting him in the least. This I look upon as a most extraordinary piece of Conduct, and what involves me just at this time in the greatest difficulties, for depending upon that Clothing, I have not applied elsewhere and the Troops in the field are now absolutely perishing for want of it.

I have therefore to desire that what is not made use of may be immediately forwarded to me and that in future not the least Article may be stopped upon the way without giving me due notice, that I may know how to regulate myself.

I don't doubt but your Troops were in want, but consider they were in comfortable Barracks, while ours are marching over frost and snow, many without a Shoe, Stocking or Blanket.

Yr. very hble Servt.

G. Washington.
Can't you just imagine how righteously indignant was Washington when he penned these lines, "This I look upon as a most extraordinary piece of Conduct"? And the suffering of our forefathers who "marched over frost and snow, many without a shoe, stocking or blanket" becomes actual—and not just something which we have read about in our course in American History.

The Erie Museum is very proud of this letter and it is, of course, immensely valuable.



7667. Girls' Dress
Designed in Sizes: 8, 10, 12 and 14 years. Size 10 requires 2 1/2 yards of 36 inch material if made with long sleeves. With short sleeves 1 1/2 yard. Price 15c.

7139. Ladies' Smock
Designed in 7 Sizes: 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44 and 46 inches bust measure. A 38 inch size requires 2 1/2 yards of 36 inch material together with 1/2 yard of contrasting material. To finish with bias binding requires 8 1/2 yards. Price 15c.

Send 12c in silver or stamps for our UP-TO-DATE BOOK OF FASHIONS FOR THE FALL OF 1932.
Order patterns from Aunt Patience, box 48, Salina, Kansas.

Next week, I'll tell you about the things I saw in New York.

—Aunt Patience.

Ellis, Kans., July 29, 1932

Dear Aunt Patience:
I was very glad that I received my note book and pin. Have I a twin? My birthday is December 11. I had my summer vacation with my cousin, Joe Guschler. I go swimming every day. One day I caught a carp in the water. It weighed about 3 pounds. For pet I have a pony. Thanks for the pin and book.

Your friend,
Clarence Geschwenter.

Dear Clarence:
I'm glad you liked the pin and book. I know you must have had a good time on your vacation—I like to go swimming, too. That was a big fish, wasn't it? I'll try to help you find your twin—please write to me again.

—Aunt Patience.

Ellis, Kans., July 29, 1932.

Dear Aunt Patience:
I would like to join your club. I am 8 years old and in the 4th grade. My birthday is February 28. I always have to take care of my little brother. Please send me a note book and a pin. I guess I will close.

Yours truly,
Edna Mae Geschwenter.

Dear Edna Mae:

We're glad you're joining our Club and your book and pin will be sent as soon as possible. How old is your little brother? I always wished I had a little brother or sister to take care of, when I was little.—Aunt Patience.

Winfield, Kans., July 29, 1932

Well, I will drop a line or two in the June lesson. But I don't know if it is right or not. If it is not send it back and I will get it right.

I have written you two times and my letters have not been in the paper.

My birthday is June 29. I was 14 years old last June. Please help me find my twin.

I hope some of the Juniors write to me.

With best love,
Marguerite Elam.

Dear Marguerite:
I've sent your lesson on to our Junior Instructor—I think you must have overlooked our letters for I know that I answered one of them. I don't believe I ever received the other. I'll be glad to help you find your twin and I do hope that some of the Juniors write to you.—Aunt Patience.

Hill City, Kans., July 30, 1932.

Will you please send me a note book and pin. I want green. Please rush! I am 10 years of age.

Yours truly,
Lois Trippenny.

P. S. I will try to learn my lessons.

I'm glad you are to be a Junior Cooperator—and I know you will study and enjoy the lessons. Alright—I'll try to send the book in the color you wish.—Aunt Patience.

Levant, Kans., July 28, 1932.

Dear Aunt Patience:
It has been so long since I have written to you you will think I have forgotten you by this time. No, I haven't yet. What have you been doing? I am busy. We will get through harvesting by next week. Is it hot there in Salina? It is hot here. When are we going to have a lesson? I hope soon. I will send it in this time for I don't think I will be so busy by then. We have a good many members on the membership roll. I hope they will keep on increasing every year. Has it rained in Salina lately? We had some rain here. I guess the last time was Sunday. We need some more now. My letter is getting long so I must close so there will be more room for other Juniors' letters.

From a Junior,
Miss Ellen Brenn.

R. R. 2.

Dear Ellen:

I thought you were never going to write to me again—and I'm glad to know that you haven't forgotten me. Yes, it was not here when you wrote and we are going to try to have another lesson soon. It's been raining here, too—I hope you won't wait so long between letters next time.—Aunt Patience.

Greenleaf, Kans., July 28, 1932

Dear Aunt Patience:

I would like to join your club. Please send me a book and pin so I may send in my lessons. I am 11 years old. My birthday is January 11th. I have two sisters and five brothers. I go to the Logan Center school. I am in the seventh grade. My father is a member of the Farmers Union. We got the paper yesterday. That's why I am writing.

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sure think your page is interesting. Well I must close.

Yours truly,
Edna Mercer.

R. F. D. 1.

P. S. Have I a twin?

Dear Edna:

Thank you for the compliment about our page. I'm glad you like it. And I'll send your book and pin just as soon as I can—please write again soon.—Aunt Patience.

Clafin, Kans., July 27, 1932

Dear Aunt Patience:

How are you? I am fine. This is the first time I've written to you. I am ten years old and in the fifth grade next year. My birthday is July 4. I have one brother and no sisters. Have I a twin? I would like to have a red book and pin. I would like to join your club. My father is a member of the Farmers Union, I am,

Your friend,
Elfrida Kinzel.

P. S. I have seen your letter in the paper and loved them. I will send you my lessons.

Dear Elfrida:

That's a nice date to have a birthday, isn't it? We'll try to find a twin for you—I hope I can send the book in the color you want. And I'm so glad that you like the letters—I do, too.—Aunt Patience.

Quinter, Kans., July 5, 1932.

Dear Aunt Patience:

I am sending in my lesson for June. I thought this a very interesting and appropriate lesson for this time. This is the third time I have written and haven't seen my letters in print yet. I found the slogan for this month, "A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches" in the third paragraph of your letter and I believe that George Washington is the author of these words. I am sending a little story about the flag that I like and thought it might be interesting to you and all the Juniors.

Yours truly,
Ethel E. Leighton.

P. S. I was in Salina a week ago but did not know where to find you. It rained while we were there and on us while coming home. Have you dear Edna win yet?

Dear Edna:

I enjoyed reading the little story you sent and I am glad that you liked our June lesson. You may always get in touch with me through State Headquarters at Salina. I'm sorry but I've not been able to find your twin—have you been watching the paper, too?—Aunt Patience.

La Crosse, Kans., July 21, 1932

Dear Aunt Patience:

How are you? I hope fine. I am still O. K. as this letter is leaving me. I saw the membership roll in the paper today. I think there are a lot of Juniors. I found my twin. His name is Clifford Johnson. I wrote him a letter and he answered it. But I wrote him one again. He lives in Aurora, Kansas. My birthday is May 4. I am in the seventh grade. I am 12 years old. I guess I must close.

Your loving Junior,
Regina Kuhn.

Dear Regina:

Yes, we do have a great many Juniors, now. And I'm so glad that you have found your twin and that you write to each other. I hope you will write often. I know you'll be glad that school has started again—but please try to find time to write to me occasionally.—Aunt Patience.

Lyndon, Kans., July 7, 1932

Dearest Aunt Patience:

How are you getting along out in Salina? I am warm out here. It was cool here this morning, but is real warm this afternoon. Warmest it has been for a long time.

What did you do the 4th? I stayed home and behaved like a little lady. We made two freezers full of ice cream so I was satisfied. Did it rain about 6 or 7 in the night of the 4th. The creeks and streams were higher than in 18 years. I didn't even know it rained until the next morning. I guess I slept too soundly.

Have you been swimming this summer? I have been in swimming twice. The first time I went in the water was when we went to the lake. I was old. We went swimming in a pond not a quarter mile from us. It is 15 feet deep next to the dam. Can you swim? I can't but am trying to learn.

What are your hobbies, Aunt Patience? Mine are swimming, horseback riding and reading. I like to work if it is the right kind of work. Do they have a swimming pool in Salina? Oh yes, another one of my hobbies is playing the guitar and uke.

What do you know about it, I am an aunt! My brother and his wife have a baby girl born June 27. She weighed 7 pounds, 10 ounces. She was named Norma Jean. I haven't seen her yet, but sure would like to.

Our church had a W. C. T. U. oratorical contest and I won the silver medal. My sister and I and two other girls spoke. The selections were taken from the Bible. I gave "The Story of Samuel." I Samuel: 3. I am going to get the gold medal in August. I graduated from the 8th grade this year. My average was 92.9-11. Well I must close, so good bye.

A Junior,
Grace Beaman.

P. S. Excuse scribbling for I am in a hurry.

Dear Grace:

I was away from Salina for most of the summer, but it was very hot here, too. And how I love home-made ice cream. I wish I could have been with you. Yes, I went swimming almost every day this summer—and I

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A Tribute to C. F. Emmert

(By C. F. Schwab)

C. F. Emmert was born in Oseo, Ill., October 21, 1859. He died at his home in Salina, Kans., July 11, 1932, and his body was buried Saturday, August 25. Mr. Emmert assumed the management of the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission of St. Joseph, March 1, 1918. On account of ill health, he retired from the management June 1, 1931. Prior to becoming manager of the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission, Mr. Emmert was connected with several different old-line livestock commission firms on the Kansas City and St. Joseph markets.

Under his management, our selling agency here grew to be one of the most successful cooperative livestock selling agencies in the county, in the year 1932, it was the largest livestock selling agency in existence. That was our peak year and we paid a patronage of 68 per cent which was one of the largest patronage refunds ever paid by any cooperative livestock agency. During the 13 years the agency was under Mr. Emmert's management, we sold 102,000 cars of livestock.

In recognition of his ability in the management of this selling agency, he was made a life member of the "Old Guard" of the Missouri Farmers' Association. When he resigned as manager, the Board of Directors, in a formal letter, said: "You have met every test with outstanding ability, and with the devotion and honesty of purpose which is flawless, and which should fill your heart with warm memories during your remaining years." One of the greatest obstacles the cooperatives had in the early days of their existence was the co-operation of the old-line commission firms. They refused to buy from or sell to any yard traders or order buyers who did any business with the cooperatives. Mr. Emmert was very instrumental in breaking up this boycott, and our agency in St. Joseph was the first to be free from it.

Mr. Emmert had a very important part in the organization and opening of the Farmers Union livestock selling agencies on the Kansas City and Sioux City markets. In fact, I believe he employed most of the persons connected with the Farmers Union at Kansas City when that house was opened. F. P. Martin, present manager of the Farmers Union Livestock Commission of Omaha, and the writer, who succeeded Mr. Emmert at St. Joseph, both received their early cooperative livestock selling agency training under Mr. Emmert.

Under his management, the first livestock loan association operated in connection with a Farmers Union selling agency was organized in October, 1924.

Mr. Emmert was truly one of the pioneers in successful farmer-owned cooperative livestock selling agencies. His good judgment and expert knowledge of the livestock commission business contributed a major part to the success of all cooperative livestock selling agencies as well as to the success of the one he directly managed. One of the great qualities Mr. Emmert had that always appealed very much to me was his fairness and courage in dealing with all problems.

C. F. Schwab,
St. Joseph, Mo.

surely did get sunburned. I can swim—but I'm not a very good diver. I like to do all the things you mention as your hobbies—and I like to play tennis, too. Yes, we have two very nice swimming pools here. That is a sweet name for your little niece—congratulations on becoming an aunt. And it's fine that you won the medals—please write to me again.—Aunt Patience.

Woodbine, Kans., July 28, 1932

Dear Aunt Patience:

I guess you think it is about time I am writing, don't you? Well, the reason I don't write any sooner was because I wrote to you some time in April or May and didn't see my letter in the paper so I was waiting to see it but have decided to write and tell you about it.

Say, Aunt Patience, may we write personal letters to you or do they always have to be printed in the paper? I would like to write you a personal letter but did not know whether it could be one of the club rules or not.

I have written to Helen Hazenkan of Atwell, Kansas some time ago and I am going to write to a lot of other members too and hope they will write to me.

All the letters that I have written to you that appeared in the paper I cut out and am saving them to paste into my memorandum book.

For pets I have over 200 chicks and about 40 earlier chickens or rather friends of my own; 5 kittens, 18 Chinchilla and New Zealand white rabbits; a horse named Daisy which we can ride, and three little pet calves.

I have a vegetable garden of my own. 1 violet bed, 2 flower beds and 8 cactuses.

Monday morning my sister and I went through the parlor and then to the porch. We just got out and closed the door and two wasps stung me. One on my right foot and one on my right hand. You see by closing the door it shook the wasp nest and out swarmed a lot of wasps. It pained for a long time. My mother took some mud and pasted it on my foot and hand where the swellings were and that helped until the swelling and pains were gone.

Hoping to hear from the club members and you soon.

Your club member,
Evelina Vahsholtz.

P. S. Please put this letter in the paper. My birthday is Dec. 22, age 11, and will be in the seventh grade next year.

Dear Evelina:

I believe you must have missed one of the papers for your letter with my answer, was in the paper. Of course

"KANSAN TRUCKS HOGS MORE THAN 4000 MILES"

On August 30, Mr. Carl Celensky who farms out in Gove County, Kansas, third county east of the Colorado line, made a trip of 407 miles in trucking 17 hogs to the South St. Joseph market. These hogs were of the light butcher class and we sold them at \$4.05, the top of the truck hog market. Mr. Celensky drove his own truck and was on the road about seventeen hours, leaving home at five o'clock Monday afternoon and reaching the stock yards at ten o'clock the following morning. While not setting a new record for long distance hauling of live stock, shipments by truck are most across a state the size of Kansas are still something out of the ordinary.

you may write personal letters to me—and if you don't want them published, tell me and they won't be. I think that's a good idea about saving the letters and I'm glad that you're writing to some of our members. Goodness, you have a great many pets, don't you? I'm so glad that you've recovered from the wasp stings—I'm so afraid of wasps. I hope you'll find time to write to us again.—Aunt Patience.

THE INS AND OUTS

By Frank A. Chapin, Winfield

Now, we are not entering into a discussion of political ins and outs, but rather UNION ins and outs. There need be no extensive arguments offered, more than what have been offered, to convince the Outs they should become Ins. Neither do we wish to scold or criticize those who chose to operate independently, for that is their own affair; but, rather, by argument and by an array of facts, to convince them of the necessity of all those interested in production, whether on the farm, in the mines, shop, office or elsewhere, to align themselves in one concerted effort to control, in a measure at least, the price at which their produce, or labor, or effort having a pecuniary value, so as to conserve the right of full share of the proceeds arising from the sale of the finished product.

Ever and always have the producers of raw material been shunted aside as simple "hewers of wood and drawers of water." The other fellow, with his bow and smile is always on hand to relieve the creator of all further concern as to final results.

For more than sixty years have we seen the gradual drip and drain of the farmers' and producers' wealth emptying into the speculators' and processors' hands. Just now, as never before, is the urgent need for a united lineup of ALL producers of whatever calling, to join their brother operator or producer in one supreme effort to throw off the galling yoke of monopoly. As long as the producers of any product acquiesce in the processors' plans, just so long will we be their slaves. There is only one place the producer can have his way, and that is at the polls.

But this is not a political conflict. It is an industrial conflict and it is so clearly clean cut that there is no middle ground for disputing. We are eternally right, or everlastingly wrong. Can't you see this, Brother "Outer"? If you patronize the outside dealer whose interests alone he is defending, it is a cinch he is not looking after your interests.

"If you want a thing done, just do it yourself." We have come to that place in our development. We are now with our backs to the wall, and if ever we expect to succeed, we must take not a single backward step. Just keep our gun loaded and

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FARMERS UNION LIVE STOCK SALES

Below is published a list of representative sales of live stock handled during the week of Sept. 5th to 9th by Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Company at Kansas City.

A. L. Parli, Marshall Co., Kans., 25 steers	999	8.65
C. O. Munson, Geary Co., Kans., 24 steers	1089	8.60
C. W. Schlobahn, Lyons Co., Kans., 23 steers	1084	8.25
Olaf Olson, Osage Co., Kans., 39 steers	954	7.35
Cassidy Brothers, Marshall Co., Kans., 10 steers	682	7.25
Tone Durnell, Lafayette Co., Mo., 11 yearlings	647	7.15
E. B. Toll, Saline Co., Kans., 40 steers	923	6.00
E. B. Toll, Saline Co., Kans., 14 steers	1252	6.10
Albert Mathies, Wabunsee Co., Kans., 13 steers	507	5.50
Herman Bloomquist, Saline Co., Kans., 19 steers	1108	5.50
Albert Mathies, Wabunsee Co., Kans., 15 heifers	450	5.35
Albert Mathies, Wabunsee Co., Kans., 10 calves	507	5.25
J. V. Boone, Woodson Co., Kans., 12 calves	495	5.25
A. H. Furthmyer, Russell Co., Kans., 36 steers	640	5.00
A. E. Hubbard, Ottawa Co., Kans., 36 steers	601	5.10
H. L. Wilcox, Harper Co., Kans., 82 steers	678	5.00
F. Cooper, 39 steers	924	4.85
Wm. A. Greshing, Wabunsee Co., Kans., 54 steers	970	5.00
E. B. Toll, Saline Co., Kans., 10 steers	981	4.65
A. H. Light, Woodson Co., Kans., 19 steers	830	4.50
Blackman Brothers, Furnas Co., Nebr., 116	402	4.50
A. H. Furthmyer, Russell Co., Kans., 14 calves	488	4.00
Ellis Ship. Assn., Ellis Co., Kans., 14 calves	614	3.75
L. J. V. Soukup, Russell Co., Kans., 15 steers	635	3.75
C. S. Hooper, Trege Co., Kans., 11 steers	590	3.75
H. J. Herman, Russell Co., Kans., 10 steers	608	3.50
Chas. Schultz, Trege Co., Kans., 12 steers	1030	3.00
Ernest Westbrook, Marion Co., Kans., 37 steers		

Theo. Glaser, Douglass Co., Kans., 12 sheep	90	\$5.75
Fred Thomas, Sullivan Co., Mo., 12 sheep	120	5.75
W. R. Correll, Osage Co., Kans., 35 sheep	120	5.75
Don E. Page, Grundy Co., Mo., 61 sheep	68	5.75
Chas. Blimm, Harrison Co., Mo., 10 sheep	73	5.75
Lou Stouklasa, Harrison Co., Mo., 11 sheep	81	5.75
Aug. Hadl, Douglass Co., Kans., 10 sheep	81	5.75
R. L. Fizer, Jackson Co., Mo., 14 sheep	72	5.75
Fin V. Graham, Franklin Co., Kans., 19 sheep	81	5.75
Tabor Edmonds, Jefferson Co., Kans., 16 sheep	83	5.60
L. Wrampe, Woodson Co., Kans., 11 sheep	63	5.50
Otto E. Luckan, Douglass Co., Kans., 10 sheep	78	5.35
L. Wrampe, Woodson Co., Kans., 11 sheep	57	3.00

Sam Rudkin, Randolph Co., Mo., 11 hogs	217	\$4.35
Robt. Martin, Randolph Co., Mo., 12 hogs	215	4.35
U. C. Butell, Osage Co., Kans., 41 hogs	252	4.25
J. H. Kamarek, Saline Co., Kans., 62 hogs	222	4.25
John Beniger, St. Clair Co., Mo., 50 hogs	189	4.25
C. H. Peckman, Miami Co., Kans., 15 hogs	212	4.25
Peckman Brothers, Miami Co., Kans., 24 hogs	195	4.25
W. A. Fishburn, Osage Co., Kans., 48 hogs	202	4.25
John Ed. Harris, Randolph Co., Mo., 15 hogs	164	4.25
Huscher Brothers, Lafayette Co., Mo., 24 hogs	236	4.25
Farmers Union Coop. Bus. Assn., Dickinson Co., Kans., 92 hogs	228	4.25
Victor Edmonds, Jefferson Co., Kans., 39 hogs	187	4.25
E. E. Wren, Anderson Co., Kans., 10 hogs	197	4.25
Edw. Freese, Lafayette Co., Mo., 23 hogs	238	4.25
C. Workman, Bates Co., Mo., 10 hogs	216	4.25
Tony Sump, Riley Co., Kans., 39 hogs	214	4.25
John Hoffman, Dickinson Co., Kans., 24 hogs	255	4.25
W. B. Flanner, Johnson Co., Kans., 40 hogs	220	4.25
Frankfort F. U. Ship. Assn., Marshall Co., Kans., 16 hogs	201	4.25
Oscar Deaton, Franklin Co., Kans., 10 hogs	201	4.25
M. J. Watson, Clay Co., Kans., 39 hogs	200	4.25
Al Sump, Clay Co., Kans., 31 hogs	203	4.25
A. E. Snyder, Anderson Co., Kans., 12 hogs	226	4.20
E. E. Wren, Anderson Co., Kans., 24 hogs	170	4.20
Collins & Dillworth, Osage Co., Kans., 12 hogs	227	4.20
Chase Co. Coop. Assn., Chase Co., Kans., 72 hogs	205	4.20
Farmers Union Mitchell Co., Kans., 43 hogs	226	4.20
C. E. McCain, Osage Co., Kans., 23 hogs	212	4.20
W. E. Shilling, Anderson Co., Kans., 25 hogs	220	4.20
F. J. Giefer, Neosho Co., Kans., 24 hogs	173	4.20
F. C. Strehel, Osborne Co., Kans., 32 hogs	170	4.20
Frankfort F. U. Shipping Assn., Marshall Co., Kans., 54 hogs	205	4.20
O. A. Arney, Washington Co., Kans., 13 hogs	184	4.20
Schutte Brothers, Lafayette Co., Mo., 23 hogs	199	4.20
Mike W. Knapp, Leavenworth Co., Kans., 19 hogs	285	4.20
Albert Mathies, Wabunsee Co., Kans., 33 hogs	187	4.20
M. W. Green, Chase Co., Kans., 14 hogs	213	4.20
Mill Sappington, Linn Co., Kans., 12 hogs	191	4.20
Frank Heim, Barton Co., Mo., 14 hogs	173	4.20
G. L. Sherwood, Miami Co., Kans., 10 hogs	197	4.20
Henry Ruffman, Henry Co., Mo., 16 hogs	190	4.20
Everett McCann, Mgr., Neosho Co., Kans., 54 hogs	185	4.20
Harold Hawley, Washington Co., Kans., 12 hogs	202	4.20
S. O. Linton, Livingston Co., Mo., 26 hogs	207	4.20
Carl Isenberger, Coffey Co., Kans., 19 hogs	164	4.20
E. E. Crumline, Woodson Co., Kans., 14 hogs	168	4.20
Henry Derrusseau, Washington Co., Kans., 18 hogs	180	4.15
Arthur Brockway, Lincoln Co., Kans., 52 hogs	199	4.15
Fred Peterson, Wabunsee Co., Kans., 13 hogs	232	4.15
Ott Stites, Grundy Co., Mo., 12 hogs	214	4.15
Ellen Stites, Dickinson Co., Kans., 16 hogs	185	4.15
Wm. Hoelscher, Lafayette Co., Mo., 29 hogs	171	4.10
Chas. Deshager, Osage Co., Kans., 11 hogs	185	4.10
Ed. Fallman, Lafayette Co., Mo., 12 hogs	200	4.10
Frank Friend, Wabunsee Co., Kans., 14 hogs	171	4.10
Elmer Booram, Harrison Co., Mo., 10 hogs	176	4.10
A. A. Ling, Woodson Co., Kans., 20 hogs	298	4.10
A. M. Nissen, Nemaha Co., Kans., 15 hogs	289	4.05
W. A. Fair, Smith Co., Kans., 32 hogs	270	4.00
J. T. Clark, Douglass Co., Kans., 17 hogs	157	3.90
Farmers U. Coop. Bus. Assn., Dickinson Co., Kans., 16 hogs	145	3.90
Arthur Brockway, Lincoln Co., Kans., 10 hogs	135	3.85
A. M. Nissen, Nemaha Co., Kans., 18 hogs	453	3.75
A. M. Nissen, Nemaha Co., Kans., 15 hogs	433	3.75
T. E. Abbott, Cedar Co., Mo., 22 hogs	135	3.75
Everett McCann, Mgr., Neosho Co., Kans., 14 pigs	113	3.60
Arthur Brockway, Lincoln Co., Kans., 12 sows	285	3.60
Andy J. Anderson, Coffey Co., Kans., 10 hogs	248	3.60
Tony Sump, Riley Co., Kans., 22 sows	370	3.50
Emil Samuelson, Mgr., Riley Co., Kans., 12 sows	355	3.50
Geo. Kent, Sullivan Co., Mo., 10 sows	387	3.40
Emil Samuelson, Mgr., Riley Co., Kans., 18 hogs	278	3.30

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES

CLOUD COUNTY UNION TO HOLD PICNIC ON SEPT. 17

The Farmers Union folks of Cloud county will enjoy an all day picnic on Saturday of this week, September 17, in the park at Concordia. This picnic was formerly scheduled for August 31, but was postponed because of a heavy rain.

One feature of the picnic will be the basket dinner which will be enjoyed at the noon hour. The various families are asked to bring dishes and cups for themselves. A most interesting program of entertainment

has been arranged. Routine matters of business will also be attended to. Speaking in the afternoon will include an address by the state Farmers Union secretary, Floyd Lynn. It is believed a large crowd will attend this meeting, for now is a good time to revive the old time interest in Farmers Union affairs in Cloud county.

The state convention to be held at Clay Center is not far in the future. Representation at the state convention will come up for discussion at the Concordia meeting.

A special appeal is again made for every one interested—and that should

mean every farmer in Cloud county—to be present. Every one will enjoy a good time, and the meeting will be well worth while.

DOUGLAS COUNTY MEETING

The next quarterly meeting of the Douglas County Farmers Union will be held at No. 10 school house on Saturday, September 17, beginning at 11 a. m. Basket dinner at noon. A good program is being prepared. At this meeting a delegate to the state convention should be selected.—B. A. Hammond, President.

RESOLUTION OF SYMPATHY

Crawford Co.
Whereas, the Divine Ruler, in His infinite wisdom, has called from our midst our friend and co-worker, Brother August Wasem,

And whereas, we feel keenly the loss of his faithful services as an official of our County Union, his fellowship in our social meetings, and his counsel in our deliberations, and whereas, we feel unable to fully comprehend the greater loss sustained by his loss to the family, Therefore, it is resolved by the Crawford County Farmers Union, that we extend to the bereaved family our deepest and sincerest sympathy; and commend them to the Great Comforter, Who heeth even the sparrow's fall.

J. Henry Meyer,
G. W. Thompson,
J. N. Thomson,
Committee.

TEMPLIN LOCAL 1891

Our usual meeting was held Friday evening, Sept. 2.

The usual order of business was transacted, followed by some discussion of the attitude of certain Farmers Union members to the management of our local Farmers Union establishment in Alta Vista. It was agreed that we should be very careful not to destroy efficiency in our own ranks by finding fault and to thoroughly acquaint ourselves with facts before doing so.

A vote of thanks was extended to Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Simon and Miss Emma Weber also to the special committee for a very enjoyable day Aug. 21.

The committee gave a short but snappy program which was very much appreciated, especially the comedy.

Recitation..... Karl Fink
Music..... Mildred and Geo. Thoes
Comedy..... Geo. Thoes, Mildred Thoes
Mrs. Otto Fink and Frank Thoes Jr.

Music..... Mildred and Geo. Thoes
Watermelon was served for refreshments.

Miss Leota Kietzman and Miss Mildred are in charge of the October meeting.

PICNIC

Most of the members of Templin Local No. 1891 of the Farmers Union and a few invited guests enjoyed a pleasant day in the A. H. Simon timber Sunday, Aug. 21. The people gathered for dinner, each family bringing a basket of good eats, which were served cafeteria style. The afternoon was spent visiting, some of the men pitching horseshoes, the children playing in the water, while some went fishing. Late in the afternoon five gallons of home-made ice cream and cake were served.

Members of the local were glad to have as their guests Pete Peterson and mother, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Zimmerman and family.

Members coming from a distance were Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Eissler and family of Dwight and Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Simon and family of south of Alta Vista.

They extend to Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Simon and Miss Emma Weber a vote of thanks for a very pleasant day.

NO DEATHS AMONG KANSANS INSURED IN F. U. CO.

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fortunate to have this reserve in a safe place to fall back upon in this period of stress. The low lapse and surrender ratio of the Farmers Union company during this adverse period is conclusive proof that the two cardinal principles—satisfaction and service—are being strictly observed.

From all parts of the ten states in which the company does business have come highly complimentary letters describing the satisfaction and promptness of innumerable claim settlements.

The sales force in Kansas consists of one hundred licensed representatives, most of whom are actively engaged in farming, but who are always ready to give service to the policyholders in their respective communities.

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The Farmers Union program for the future is to accomplish more with less funds than any life insurance company in history; to give farmers control of their credit through their own institution; to reduce the cost of insurance by increased dividends to policyholders, and at all times to give the best forms of insurance investment and protection.

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160, FARM AND equipment for sale. Easy terms, long time on part. H. A. Turner, Rt. 1, Pomona, 9-22p

Make it a point to talk Farmers Union to your neighbors every time you have an opportunity to do so between now and the time for the state convention. This will not only serve to get your neighbors to thinking along the right lines, but it may help you too.

LEGAL NOTICES

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 24

(L. 1931, Ch. 201.)
A proposal to amend article 11 of the constitution of the state of Kansas by adding a section thereto.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Kansas, two-thirds of the members elected to each house concurring therein:

SECTION 1. The following proposition to amend the constitution of the state of Kansas is hereby submitted to the qualified electors of the state for their approval or rejection: That article 11 of the constitution of the state of Kansas be amended by adding a new section thereto following section 8, which new section shall be numbered section 9, and shall read as follows: "Sec. 9. No property, taxed according to value, shall be so taxed in excess of two per centum of its true value in money for all state and local purposes where lying within the limits of any city or within the limits of any school district of which more than one-half the area lies within the limits of any city, more than one and one-half per centum, when lying without the limits of such city or school district. Taxes may be levied in excess of said limitation, however, for the payment of indebtedness which shall have been contracted prior to July 1, 1933, and interest thereon and for the payment of the cost of improvements by special assessments. The legislature shall prescribe the manner by which the rate of taxation shall be prorated to the several taxing units. Additional emergency levies for two years periods may be authorized by the vote of a majority of the qualified electors of any taxing district."

SEC. 2. This proposition shall be submitted to the electors of the state at the general election in the year 1932 for their approval or rejection. The amendment hereby proposed shall be designated on the ballot by the following title: "The Income Tax Amendment to the Constitution," and shall be voted for or against as provided by law under such title.

SEC. 3. This resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the official state paper.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of original House Concurrent Resolution No. 24, now on file in my office.

E. A. CORNELL,
Secretary of State

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 21

(L. 1931, Ch. 155.)
A proposition to amend section 2 of article 4 of the constitution of the state of Kansas by eliminating therefrom the words "sheriff or county treasurer."

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Kansas, two-thirds of the members elected to the House of Representatives and two-thirds of the members elected to the Senate concurring therein:

SECTION 1. The following proposition to amend the constitution of the state of Kansas is hereby submitted to the qualified electors of said state for their approval or rejection, to wit:

Amend article 4, section 2, so as to read as follows, to wit: "Sec. 2. General elections and township elections shall be held biennially on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday in November in the years bearing even numbers. All county and township officers shall hold their offices for a term of two years and until their successors are qualified. One county commissioner shall be elected from each of three districts, numbered 1, 2 and 3, by the voters of the district, and the legislature shall fix the time of election and the term of office of such commissioners; such election to be at a general election, and no term of office to exceed six years. All officers whose successors would, under the law as it existed at the time of their election, be elected in an odd-numbered year shall hold office for an additional year and until their successors are qualified."

SEC. 2. This proposition shall be submitted to the electors of this state at the general election to be held in the year 1932 for their approval or rejection. The amendment hereby proposed shall be designated on the ballot by the following title: "Amendment to permit a sheriff and treasurer to hold office more than two consecutive terms."

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

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the original House Concurrent Resolution No. 21, now on file in my office.

E. A. CORNELL,
Secretary of State

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 21

(L. 1931, Ch. 300.)
A proposition to amend article 13 of the constitution of the state of Kansas by adding a section thereto.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Kansas, two-thirds of the members elected to the House of Representatives and two-thirds of the members elected to the Senate concurring therein:

SECTION 1. The following proposition to amend the constitution of the state of Kansas is hereby submitted to the qualified electors of the state for their approval or rejection: That article 13 of the constitution of the state of Kansas be amended by adding a new section thereto following section 1, which new section shall be numbered section 2, and shall read as follows: "Sec. 2. The state shall have power to levy and collect taxes on incomes from whatever source derived, which taxes may be graduated and progressive."

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

SEC. 3. This proposition shall be submitted to the electors of the state at the general election in the year 1932 for their approval or rejection. The amendment hereby proposed shall be designated on the ballot by the following title: "The Income Tax Amendment to the Constitution," and shall be voted for or against as provided by law under such title.

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

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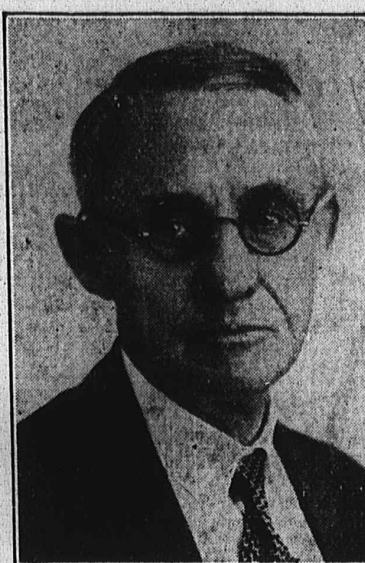
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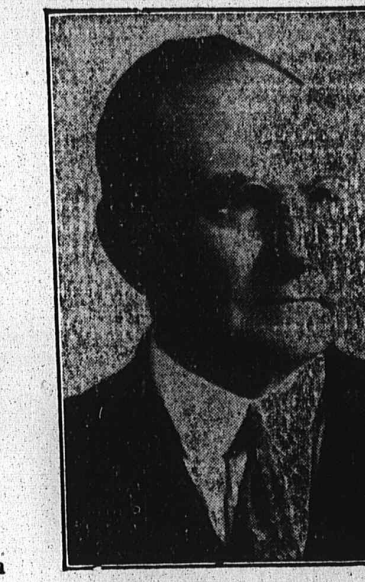
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The Fire-fiend whispers:-
Put off taking out Insurance

How many times a year does Common Sense say to you: "Better take out insurance on your house, on your car. There is no telling when fire or accidents will develop." And then, for some reason or other it is forgotten. You say to yourself, a little shamefacedly: "Oh well, we're careful. Nothing will ever happen to us."

Fire, in the meanwhile, does a little whispering on its own account. Being naturally greedy, it agrees with you and whispers: "Oh well, what's the use?" Then, some never-to-be-forgotten night a lamp is overturned, a spark from another burning building falls on your roof and when grey dawn arrives, your dreams, your hopes and much of your fortune lie in ashes.

It seems almost inexplicable that so many people should be so frightfully careless in a grave matter of this kind. Fire insurance—just as true of Life insurance—is one of the essentials of modern life. You can't do without it. Moreover, you owe it to your community as well as to yourself and your family.

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