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## Kan. State Convention, Oct. 25-28

### F. U. Plans Big Meeting at Salina

All Roads Will Lead to Salina for F. U. People Next Week—Are Vital Farm Problems to Study—Many Reasons for Strong Membership

#### NEED ELECT NEW STATE F. U. PRESIDENT

John Vesecky, Former Kansas Head, Will Be Presiding Officer—Local Members Are Given Opportunity to Hear Managers of State-Wide Businesses

Hundreds of Farmers Union folks will be in Salina, October 25-28, to attend the 33rd annual Kansas convention. Every member is urged to come. He is urged to bring every member of his family from the youngest juvenile. Farm people from throughout the state will travel to Salina next week, and the convention portends to be a most interesting and important one.

Local members will be given first-hand opportunity to hear reports of their state-wide business associations, and to learn of plans for the coming year. They will enjoy the Juniors' program, Thursday evening, and hear an explanation of how the young people's activities intertwine with the program of the parent organization. The wives will meet, and perhaps plan an Auxiliary as enthusiastic as is our Junior Department.

State officers need be elected and there will be no lacking for candidates. There is also a 1939 "farm problem" which can be attacked from a legislative approach; discussions are certain to be informative and interesting.

Special speakers before the convention will discuss the social problems of Health, and bring out the development of co-operative hospitalization and co-operative medicine. J. G. Patton, secretary of the Colorado Farmers Union and a national director, and Tom Cheek, president of the Oklahoma Farmers Union, will speak on these matters Wednesday evening.

Delegates Send Credentials  
A tentative program is published on this page. All sessions will be held in Memorial Hall, 6th and Ash, just a block or two west of the bigger Salina hotels. The Lamer Hotel will be convention headquarters, located at the corner of Ash and Santa Fe.

Everyone will make his own hotel reservations. Registration for the convention will be made at the Lamer Hotel on Tuesday evening, then at the Memorial Hall on Wednesday and Thursday.

A large number of delegates' credentials have been received at the state office. All credentials must be filed with the Credentials Committee by 6 p. m., Thursday, October 27. They may well be mailed to the state office before convention time.

The cost of attending the state convention can be made about what ever one may wish to spend. Rates for hotel rooms begin at a dollar; the Y. M. C. A. has accommodations at 75 cents a night. There are a number of tourist parks, in and near Salina, easily within close driving distance of the Convention, having cabins for two which are fully modern at \$2.00 a night, and better rate can be had for more than one night. Cabins without such modern conveniences as running water, heat, gas range, or in less desirable locations, can be had even more economically.

List Hotel Rates  
Hotels include the Lamer Hotel, 201 N. Santa Fe, \$1.50 to \$3.00; Warren Hotel, 217 W. Ash, \$1.50 to \$3.00; Clayton Hotel, 112 W. Ash, \$1.25 to \$2.50; Tavern Hotel, 212 W. Ash, \$1.00 to \$2.00; Curtis Hotel, 140 S. 7th, \$1.00 to \$2.00; Kansas Hotel, 215 W. Ash, \$1.40 to \$3.00. These prices are for single accommodations, the rates for two persons to a room range from 75 cents to \$1.00 additional.

Salina is centrally located, on surfaced highways in every direction. The season is a beautiful time of year, and a good time if ever for a farm family to take a well-earned vacation.

A certain topic for consideration is the state Farmers Union, the organization itself. The membership is not nearly what it should be, and what it very well can be. Independent, and truly representative of the local farmer, the organization is supported only by dues paid by these people it represents.

In some localities repeated crop failures and shortages have reduced the volume handled by our Farmers Union business associations. But smaller patronage dividends should not result in smaller local memberships; loyal and understanding members should and must see that it does not!

Need More Members  
For that matter, the educational organization and its worth should not be judged on the amount of patronage dividends received from Farmers Union concerns. Patronage refunds are only a part of the savings made by cooperation.

The reduction of the handling charges in marketing grain should be considered, and the reduced margin between tank-car and tank-wagon prices in gasoline, amounting to 5 to 7 cents a gallon; to figure such paper savings would amount to sums far greater than the largest patron-



T. B. Dunn, Secretary-manager of the Farmers Union Auditing Association, Salina.



H. E. Witham, General Manager of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association, Kansas City.



T. C. Belden, Manager of the Merchandise department of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association, Kansas City.

age refunds any of our associations has ever made.

There is the protective work of the Farmers Union in matters of legislation and administrative rulings. The heading off of one bad law, or the blocking of one proposed increase in transportation rates, could save every farmer in Kansas more than a year's dues in the Farmers Union.

Educational work such as is being done is absolutely essential to the continued success of the cooperative movement. It is the only way to maintain the cooperative spirit and morale necessary to insure cooperative patronage.

And how can farmers speak in a united way without a protective organization? Without the Farmers Union? Times are hard today, but we need our organization more than ever before.

The Convention is NEXT WEEK.

### PROGRAM (Tentative) KANSAS FARMERS UNION Thirty-Third Annual Convention

Salina, Kansas, October 25-28, 1938.

All Sessions Held In Memorial Hall

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1938

Farmers Union Managerial Association

- 1:00 p. m. Registration.
- 1:30 p. m. Meeting called to order—President C. B. Thowe, Alma, Kansas.
- President's report
- Secretary's Report
- Appointment of Committees
- Address of Welcome—Rex Troutman, Editor, Kansas Union Farmer.
- Address—J. D. "Coop" Kelly, Colorado Farmers Union.
- Address—"The Value of the Managers Association to Actual Farmer"—Ross Palenske.
- Address—"Progress of Junior Work in Kansas"—Esther Ekblad, State Junior Leader.
- Roll Call—Answered by a suggestion for the improvement of the Managerial Association. Prizes will be awarded for the two best suggestions.
- Announcements.
- Adjournment.
- 6:30 p. m. Banquet—Lamer Hotel.
- Entertainment.
- Talk—"Management and Credit"—Vance M. Rucker.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1938

- 9:30 a. m. Music.
- 10:00 a. m. Meeting Called to Order. National President John Vesecky, presiding.
- Invocation—Rev. Herbert Jackson Root, M. E. Church.
- Address of Welcome—Mr. Elmer Reed, President Salina Chamber of Commerce.
- Response—James W. Anderson (Douglas Co.)
- Appointment of Credentials Committee.
- Appointment of other committees.
- Report of "Order of Business" Committee.
- Convention Rules Committee report.
- Talks—Visiting Farmers Union officials from other states.
- Announcements.
- Adjournment.
- 1:00 p. m. Music.
- 1:15 p. m. Convention called to order.
- Report of Credentials Committee.
- 1:15-2:15 Farmers Union Live Stock Commission, W. G. Bernhardt, General Manager.
- 2:15-2:30 Farmers Union Auditing Association, T. B. Dunn, Secretary-Manager.
- 2:30-3:30 Farmers Union Jobbing Association, H. E. Witham, General Manager.
- Group Singing.
- 3:45-4:05 Farmers Union Mutual Insurance Company, G. W. Bushby, President.
- 4:05-4:25 Farmers Union Royalty Company, G. E. Creitz, Manager.
- 4:25-4:45 Farmers Union Life Insurance Company, Rex Lear, State Manager.
- 4:45-5:15 Nebraska Farmers Union Creameries, J. C. Norgaard, General Manager.
- 5:15-5:45 Farmers Union Live Stock Commission, South St. Joe, Mo., C. F. Schwab, Manager.
- Announcements.
- Adjournment.

- 7:00 p. m. Music.
- 7:30 p. m. Address—"Hospitalization and Insurance"—James G. Patton, Secretary Colorado Farmers Union.
- 8:15 p. m. Address—"Cooperative Medicine and Hospital"—Tom Cheek, President Oklahoma Farmers Union.
- 9:00 p. m. Address—Agrol Products—Harry Miller, Atchison Agrol Plant.

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### Jobbing Association Has Grown As More Farmers Help Themselves

Grain Marketing Agency Has Record Year, in July Handling Over 15% of Wheat Shipped to Kansas City—Big Increase Also in Mdse. Department

How farmers have helped themselves through patronage of their local Farmers Union elevator, and how the elevator association in turn has helped itself by patronizing the Farmers Union Jobbing Association, is explained by the September number of the Information Bulletin published by the Jobbing Association, under the direction of Tom E. Hall, manager of the Service and Information Department.

The current year is a record one for the association in the volume of grain handled. Two benefits are especially emphasized as a development of large scale Farmers Union grain marketing: the power of collective bargaining to force higher grain prices and the farmers' benefit of the price, both immediate and through financial distribution through cooperative sharing policies; and the efficient and recognized organization where buyers of grain know they can get the grade of grain they want in the amount they want, at a prestige for soundness and integrity not only among its own membership but the grain buyers.

On the Kansas City market there are about 40 other grain firms which would like to handle as much grain as possible from farmers' elevators. In July this year, the Jobbing Association handled over 15 per

cent of all the wheat coming to the Kansas City market. Other grain firms must make especially good bids if they can expect to get grain in competition with an organization of such efficiency and size.

The development of the Farmers Union elevators has narrowed the handling charges in grain marketing. The average gross wheat margin for all 121 elevators who are stockholders of the Jobbing Association was only four cents per dollar of wheat sales. Gross margins are here figured as the difference between the price paid for a dollar's worth of wheat and the price received for a dollar's worth of wheat. The only time the margin per dollar's worth of wheat and the margin per bushel would be the same would be when wheat is worth a dollar a bushel.

The Merchandise department of Jobbing Association, Kansas City, has also been doing very well in 1938. Fence and feed shipments were good during the spring months, and up to October 1, there has been an increase of 31 per cent over 1937 in shipments of gas and oil, and an increase of 32 per cent over 1937 in shipments of grease. Twine shipments also were heavier this year than last, purchases of supplies used in the production of grain being natural through producers' cooperative associations.



Miss Pauline Cowger, Secretary of the Kansas Farmers Union.

### Juniors Plan Big Program Thurs. Night

Four-Minute Speech Contest Draws Enthusiasm from Young and Elders Alike

Interest and enthusiasm in the Junior program of the Convention, Thursday evening, October 27, comes in two directions. The Juniors are joining wholeheartedly into competition for the Four Minute Speech contest and essay contest, as well as contributing their talents for other entertainment for the evening. And parents and friends are enjoying the preparations and there will be without doubt a good crowd in attendance at the Junior program.

The contests are for Juniors, those persons between the ages of 16 and 21, whose parents are members of the Farmers Union. Any speech which is less than four minutes or more than five minutes in length will be disqualified, no matter how valuable a speech.

The subject must be of some topic of current interest to farmers, either economic, educational or cooperative. The essay must be on the topic of cooperation or farm organization. It must not be less than 1000 words or more than 1500 words in length.

Subject, Delivery and Poise

In addition to subject matter, the speakers will be judged on delivery and poise. Can the voice be heard in the back of the room? Are all of the words clear? Does the speaker give the speech as though he believed it himself and has confidence in what he is saying? Reading a speech or being prompted disqualifies a contestant. Notes may be used.

Does the speaker stand well; appear calm and confident? Does he have control of himself and appear to be thinking on his feet, or is he trying to remember a committed speech?

Timekeepers will be appointed who will watch the time; one of them will rise at the end of the four minutes, so that the speaker will know one minute left, then has less than one minute left. In the essay contest the subject should be so handled that the facts follow each other in logical sequence from an informative introduction to an effective climax. An accurate knowledge of the subject should be apparent, treated in a manner which shows study and observation.

The essays should be free from error in regard to facts and statistics. The style must be the writer's own. The essay must be written with pen and ink, or on the typewriter, using one side of the page, only, and observing the usual margins.

#### DAIRY TRIAL SOON

F. U. Will Have Witnesses Against "Filled" Milk Products

The trial relative to the prohibition of the sale in Kansas of filled milk, or adulterated milk compound where in coconut oil and other foreign substances are substituted for the natural content of milk, is set for October 26 in Topeka.

The Farmers Union plans to have witnesses in attendance to testify for the enforcement of the dairy laws.

The matter came about with the Caroline Products Company having added coconut oil to skim-milk and vitamins A and D, and attempting to place the product on the market in competition to evaporated or condensed whole milk.

New Mail Box Number  
Correspondence to the Kansas Farmers Union or the Kansas Union Farmer should be addressed BOX NO. 296, Salina.

Five million dollars worth of gasoline, oil and other petroleum products are purchased cooperative each year by Kansas farmers, according to a survey of farm cooperatives in the Ninth Farm Credit district, made by the Wichita Bank for Cooperatives.

#### Vesecky On Radio

Speakers on the Farmers Union Hour, October 22, will be National President John Vesecky, and Z. H. Lawler, secretary of the Oklahoma Farmers Union. Their grasp of the farmers' problems, and the solutions they suggest, will make it well worth while to listen.

The talks will be heard over NBC, from 11:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m., Central Standard Time.

### Attends Ia., N. & S. Dak. Conventions

Nat'l President Vesecky Reports on Travels—N. D. Aims at Membership of 20,000

By John Vesecky, President of the National Farmers Union.

Your editor asked me to write a short article for the Kansas Union Farmer. Since it is just about convention time again, I will tell you something about the last three state conventions which I attended lately. September 23, I attended the convention of the Iowa State Union. I would estimate that there were about 400 members and delegates and visitors in attendance the day I was there. As I heard Secretary Miss Holehan read her annual report I could not help but wonder why we farmers are so uncompromising with our fellow farmers, but still so trusting and docile with those who deliberately divide against our own class for their own personal benefit.

Iowa once had a very strong Union. Later it divided into two organizations and it could be plainly seen at the convention that self-seekers are again striving to divide what little is left. According to the secretary's report, their total paid membership is now about 2,100, including several hundred life members. As I did not stay for the last day of the convention, I cannot give the results of the election nor the resolutions.

October 1 I attended a fine meeting of Farmers Union folks at Centralia, Kansas, in Nemaha county. Mr. and Mrs. Roots were in general charge of the meeting. Miss Thelma Wempe, who represented the Kansas Juniors at the All-State Junior Broad-cast from Denver last July, conducted the junior part of the program. I enjoyed both the cafeteria dinner in the park and the program in the afternoon at the hall.

Nearly 2,000 At N. D. Meet  
October 6-7-8-9 I attended the North Dakota state convention at Mandan. This was one of the largest and best state Farmers Union conventions that it has been my pleasure to attend. The attendance was estimated at between 1,500 and 2,000 members and visitors.

North Dakota has made a good advance in membership in spite of poor crops and low prices, and expects to have nearly 11,000 paid-up members by national convention time. The convention enthusiastically set the goal for next year at 20,000.

Glen Talbot, son of our departed friend, C. C. Talbot, was unanimously re-elected president. All the other officers and directors were re-elected with the exception of one director and state secretary, Morris Erickson, who because of his new duties as executive secretary of the N. D. division of the National Security Association, resigned his post as state secretary.

October 10-11-12-13 I attended the South Dakota state convention. This convention was well attended, considering the size of the S. D. Union membership. A large portion of the convention time was given over to reports of their various business activities.

#### Juniors Are Active

President Skage and all the other officers and directors, I understand, were re-elected. I did not stay to the end of the convention so do not know at this time what resolutions the S. D. convention finally adopted. I hope and believe that the membership of the South Dakota Farmers Union will give their officers and their cooperatives the backing they deserve and all work harmoniously for a bigger and a better Union in 1939.

Before closing I must mention the splendid showing made by the Farmers Union Juniors at both of the Dakota conventions. Mary Jo of North Dakota and Paul Erickson of South Dakota and their efficient assistants in both states are to be congratulated on the results they are showing for the time and money expended on junior education.

Kansas also is developing a good junior department under the leadership of Esther Ekblad, and with the proper support of our leaders and members, we hope and believe will soon be able to take its place among the advance guard in Farmers Union Junior education.

Kansas farmers in 73 counties have applied for government loans totaling \$1,349,361 on 2,305,890 bushels of wheat, according to E. H. Leiker, Manhattan State AAA Executive Officer. Loans average approximately 59 cents a bushel, the exact rate depending upon the location of the wheat. Applications for wheat loans are made through county AAA committees.

### Bad Credits Into Session of Managers

Practical Business Problems Will Be Discussed At Managerial Meeting

Managers of Farmers Union business associations will discuss problems of credit and the "accounts receivable," and other practical matters of management at the meeting of the Managers' Association, October 25, in Salina. J. D. "Coop" Kelly of the Colorado Farmers Union, appears on the program. He has the distinction of having organized more Credit Unions in Colorado than any other person. The speaker in the evening, following the banquet, will be Vance M. Rucker, marketing specialist of Kansas State College, who has for his subject, "Management and Credit."

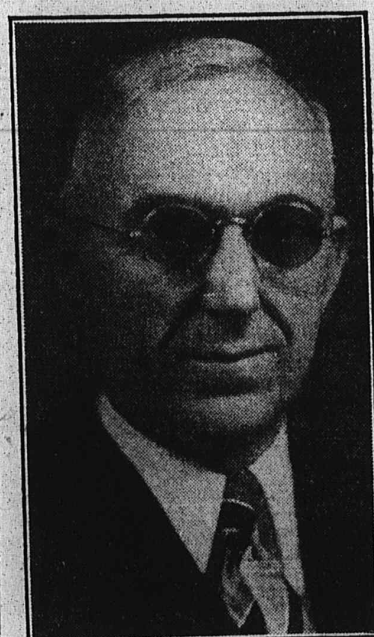
Ross Palenske, chairman of the state Farmers Union board of directors, will speak on "The Value of the Managers' Association to the Actual Farmer." Miss Esther Ekblad, state Junior leader, will tell of the development of junior activities throughout the state and its significance in relation to the building of cooperative business.

The program is planned that the local managers may derive real benefit from these managers' meetings. "We are trying to make the program really worth-while and practical," writes T. C. Belden, manager of the merchandise department of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association and secretary of the Managerial Association.

Is Picture Contest  
"For that reason we are going to try and get each one of the managers to answer the roll call with any suggestions they may have in mind as to how this Association can be of more benefit to them," Mr. Belden writes. Prizes will be awarded for the two best suggestions.

At the last meeting of this Association, held last May in Salina, a prize of \$5.00 was offered by John Vesecky, national president, to the Farmers Union manager having the best appearing or improved office and buildings, selection to be made from photographs of same submitted by the manager.

It is hoped that a good display of pictures can be assembled. A good number of managers are reported as having this contest in mind, and planning to bring photographs. The contest includes every type of Farmers Union business elevator, oil stagers, creamery, produce, feed plant, and so on.



John Vesecky, President of the National Farmers Union, former president of the Kansas organization who will preside at the Kansas Convention.

#### RESTRICT TO FARMERS

A cooperative association to be entitled to income-tax exemption must be organized for the benefit of farmers, according to J. H. Bolin, of the Nebraska Farmers Union Auditing department. Recently the Farmers Union cooperative Gas and Oil company, Milford, Neb., was denied exemption from income tax. Following is a paragraph from the letter from the commissioner of internal revenue.

"It appears that more than 6 per cent of the total business of the is owned by nonproducers. An examination of the articles of incorporation and by-laws discloses that membership in the organization is not restricted to farmers."

Furthermore, in order to maintain an exempt status, not more than 15 per cent of the total business of the association can be done with persons other than producers, according to Mr. Bolin. This applies, of course, to associations that handle supplies that are used by non-farmers as well as farmers.

"It is quite likely that the Milford association will change its by-laws at the next annual meeting to comply with the revenue act and income-tax regulations," according to Mr. Bolin.



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### Direct Livestock Marketing

If the packers buy as high as 75 per cent of their livestock needs direct from farmers, on a price basis of the Kansas City market, it is no wonder that there is more often than not a bad market for livestock and poor prices. The hearings conducted by the government into the packers' operations, told in more detail on another page, gives most enlightening information.

And if the packers apportion territory among themselves to solicit livestock from farmers, stifling competitive bidding, what choice is left for the individual stockman? Only one, in this writer's opinion, and that is organized cooperative marketing to combat this organized power of the packers.

Not the local sales rings! Too generally they only ring the bell of a same problem. However this complication is developing rapidly in size. More than a million head of livestock were sold at auction through commission sales in Kansas last year, according to Will J. Miller, state live stock commissioner. Figures for the 11 months from July 30, 1937, to June 30, 1938, show a total of 973,328 animals sold, including horses, mules, cattle, hogs, sheep and goats.

There are now 143 such sales rings operating in Kansas, according to Mr. Miller, and the number is growing all the time. For the 11 months a total of 5,320 auctions were held by the 143 operators. Sales included 32,240 horses, mules, cattle, 539,900 cattle, 380,271 hogs and 20,777 sheep and goats.

Information as to what amount of these cattle and hogs were sales to packers is not available. On the other hand, there is little doubt but that the community sales have served a distinct purpose in the distribution of livestock through the territory. We are dubious of even this good, however, when agricultural workers list all registered stock, when county agents are almost omnipresent, and satisfactory telephone service is general.

Not direct shipments to packers! We have long spoken for the elimination of the middleman, but the demand came from a wish for his profits. The farmer has little to gain if the middleman's profits are absorbed by the "packers." This is definitely the effect when packers base their prices on the Kansas City market, and moreover, the latter prices are held to a lower level because of the weakened competitive bidding resulting from the packers' tactics.

It has been said that farmers through organization in the Farmers Union have the means to about what they choose. The organization of their terminal live stock agency came from their determination. Certainly farmers could specify "Farmers Union" when shipping. This instruction is especially important with the increased use of the motor carrier. Of total live stock received last year in 17 leading markets, 52 per cent arrived by motor carrier. Ten years ago only 22 per cent of live stock was motored to market.

The government hearings may well make a diagnosis of the livestock situation: find monopolistic practices among the packers, and encouraged decentralizing and disorganized marketing practices by farmers. But if the diagnosis is to be more than an autopsy, live stock recovery must be made by the farmers themselves. The hearings will have given no more practical relief probably than does a pillow for a toothache.

Indeed it is a queer system that permits oversupplies of foodstuff and raw materials while thousands of people are denied them because of a lack of buying power.

### It's Good to Count Them

Over our desk hangs a map showing cooperative elevators in Kansas. Throughout the state there are only fourteen counties not having a cooperative elevator. Through the remaining 91 counties, there are farmers and cooperative elevators averaging more than four to a county. The Farmers Union can well feel proud of its work and sponsorship of elevator associations.

There are 335 cooperative elevators in the state, and 41 more that are farmers', making a total of 376 elevators. The counties running in a broad swath from the northeast to the southwest have the greatest number.

In the west are five counties without cooperative elevators: Wallace, Hamilton, Kearny, Greeley and Wichita; in the east are nine such counties: Wyandotte, Leavenworth, Bourbon, Wilson, Montgomery, Lyon, Greenwood, Elk and Chase.

### Wards of the Government?

Most of us become used to the great number of informational releases sent out by the U. S. department of agriculture, even to its forecast of farm incomes. But not our neighbors to the north. "Just why, your job on my last commission and over one hundred miles of the income of grocers and bakers and packers and millers," asks the Nebraska Union Farmer. "Does this attention to farmers indicate that they are considered to be sort of wards of government?"

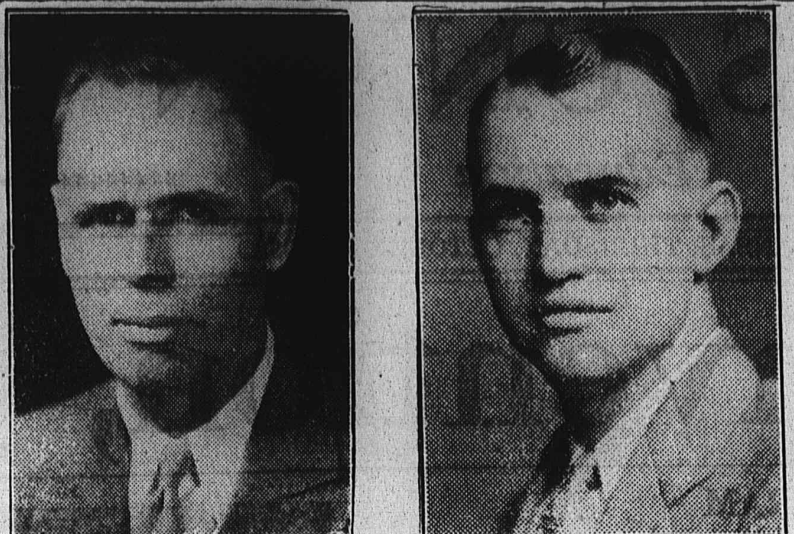
### Are Safe and Sane

The recent events at the Munich conference recall a conversation to Wright A. Patterson he had with the great English statesman, Arthur Balfour, reports The Publishers' Auxiliary. It was November 12, 1918. On the streets outside, the joy-crazed people were celebrating the signing of the Armistice. Mr. Balfour said: "The people of England and other nations do not realize that the world is today facing more serious problems than those of war; that today the civilization we have known is in jeopardy. Russia has gone Bolshevik. We have no idea of what will happen in Germany. Italy is on the verge of Communism; France is close to the same condition. England is threatened, and America is affected in its large cities. National and world systems which have been the foundation of the civilizations we know may disappear sometime within the near future."

"But if the civilization we have known is lost, it will be but a temporary loss. In time it will be restored by the rural people of America. They, as a class, are the safest, sanest, most dependable people of the world today."

The U. S. Chamber of Commerce advertises to Labor and the public generally a catchy line: "What Helps Business Helps You." Not for the world would we disagree, but would like to comment that what helps "you" generally helps business. The strongest structures are those built with a strong foundation, those built from the "bottom-up."

The admonition "Come, let us reason together" is just as necessary as it was when Isaiah uttered this plea so many years ago, comments H. G. Keeney, president of the Nebraska Farmers Union.



L. J. Alkire, pictured on the left, is manager of the Wichita branch of the Farmers Union Live Stock Association; W. L. Acuff, to the right, is manager of the Parsons branch of the same organization. The general manager of the association shows the resignation of G. W. Hobbs to James A. Farley, postmaster general.

Senator Capper pointed out in a radio address, October 12, that the Roosevelt regime has spent about \$20,000,000,000 trying to extricate the country from depression, but that the country is now worse off than it was in 1933. It doesn't appear that the Senator has accepted the invitation to join the Democratic party issued recently in Salina by James A. Farley, postmaster general.

Let's make America safe for democracy and let the rest of the world come and go buy, buy! Thumbs up. Let's remain 100 per cent neutral. Thumbs wiggle-waggle. Let's play judge for the world, and tell so-and-so what's right and wrong; Thumbs down. Let's talk of something else and save our own thumbs for highway use. Goody, goody, we're gonna have a ride!

## Neighborhood Notes

### In Douglas County

Enclosed you will please find copy of resolutions which were submitted at the quarterly meeting of the Douglas County Farmers Union held September 24, at the Cargy School house.

The meeting was very well attended and a very nice lunch was enjoyed by all. A very snappy program was given by the Cargy local. Mr. Bernhardt and Mr. O'Neal from the Livestock Commission Co. were introduced and gave short talks.

The principal speaker, Miss Ekblad gave a very interesting speech which was greatly enjoyed by everyone present.

Very truly yours,  
CYRUS F. ANDERSON, Secretary

1. Whereas, as all agricultural products are selling far below parity and all machinery is selling far above parity we suggest that the State and National Organizations to appeal to the Federal Trade Commission to make a searching investigation of the prices of farm machinery and report as soon as possible.

2. Inasmuch as the table and land in the United States in 1937 under the Federal Trade Commission or Reciprocity Agreement there was imported thirty eight million bushels of corn, eighteen million bushels of wheat, one hundred million bushels of soy beans and over one hundred million pounds of meat products. We appeal to the State and National Farmers Union to seek an investigation.

Resolution Committee:  
Mr. C. C. Gertensberger, Chairman  
Mr. C. C. Forth  
Mr. A. M. Rundle  
Mr. J. W. Anderson

### In McPherson County

The following resolution was passed by the Farmers Union Local No. 671, just south of Marquette. We would like to have you publish this resolution and in every way possible get it before the rural public as we feel that this sort of a tax would help every one in a rural community. "Whereas the rural communities are becoming depopulated caused by the practice, during the present low price of land, of purchasing new buildings to avoid paying taxes on them, and entering into competition with the real farmers who own their farm or as leasees make farming their principal occupation.

"Be it resolved by the members of Farmers Union Local No. 671 of Marquette: That the Farmers Union be urged to start action to induce the state legislature to pass a 'Graduated Land Tax Law' which will lessen taxes on improved farms and increase it on unimproved farms and which will reduce the rate of taxation on farm improvements or limit the tax on farm improvements to a maximum rate of one-half mill on the dollar."

H. R. Harmon, Manager  
F. U. Elevator

### In Marshall County

The Center Hill Farmers Union met at the schoolhouse Tuesday evening, October 4, with a large crowd in attendance.

The following program was given: Piano duet, Mrs. Elmer Johnson, and Mrs. Merle Iserson. "Vocal solo, Arlene Anderson. Reading, V. E. Hawkinson. Play, "Spring Thaw," by Arlene and Robert Johnson and Lucille and Glen Kaump.

Meeting was then in charge of the president. Report of previous meeting was read by secretary.

Delegates to the state convention were next in order. Harry Toburen was elected and V. E. Hawkinson, alternate.

Several talks were given by local

men who are seeking office this fall. The meeting was then adjourned until our next meeting time November 1.

Delicious refreshments served by the ladies. Vernel Anderson, Reporter

### In Saline County

Headquarters Local met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cameron, Saturday evening, October 8, and the members enjoyed a chicken dinner together before an enjoyable evening of visiting. Mr. Cameron was chosen as delegate to the state convention; Rex Troutman, as alternate.

### In Sumner County

Farmers Union Local, Zephyr 1622, met at the Scout Hut in Conway Springs Monday night, October 3. The attendance was not as good as it should be. Did you forget about it or are you willing to let the Farmers Union die down in this community while others are going ahead and going strong.

Volunteers are needed to help get a good display at our Fall Fair October 13-14. A committee has been appointed to lead out. Will you help the committee? Arrangements are being made for a new janitor at the Scout Hut. Our former janitor, Mr. M. M. Hughes, having moved to Denver, Colorado. A warm house in the winter and a warm heart for Farmers Union will help a lot.

A good Quartette, Some good songs, a good tobacco smoke during the meetings on account of the women and children and men that do not smoke and are not used to it. We need discussion talks on vital subjects. Our next meeting October 17. Come and help.

Don't forget our Annual State Convention of Farmers Union at Salina, October 25 to 28.—Conway Springs Star.

## Farmers Write In Praise of Selling Job

F. U. Live Stock Commission Co. Receives Letters Written on Same Day from Two Satisfied Patrons

The Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Company, Kansas City, Mo., with branches at Wichita and Parsons, is doing a fine job of marketing stock, according to words of satisfaction getting back to that of the sheep. Following are two letters received, written the same day, October 7:

Savonburg, Kan.

Dear Sir: Would like your weekly market report sent to me. I was entirely satisfied with your job on my last commission and think your weekly market card is a fine idea.

Yours sincerely,  
E. J. FRESE

Osage City, Kan.

I would be more than glad to receive your market card information and at present I don't know of any one who has stock to market, when I do I will sure tell them about Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Company.

Yours very truly,  
A. E. MELENSON

### Is Natural Market

Kansas City is the natural market of the huge live stock producing area of the West and Southwest which contains the healthiest, best bred cattle, hogs and sheep in the United States. Every state in this producing area is accredited tuberculosis-free a factor of great importance to buyer and consumer alike.

Every shipment of cattle from Kansas City is inspected and certified by the Federal Bureau of Animal Husbandry. Government records prove that the live stock received here is the healthiest of that received at any market.

The great volume of cattle handled here afford buyers unlimited opportunity for price and quality fulfillment of every buyer's requirements.

Buyers benefit also from the "sale in transit" or "change of ownership" rule, which results in an average saving in freight of \$45 per car. Feeding cattle bought on the Kansas City market also may be shipped interstate without the delay of further testing or jaw-branding.

### Collect Dues In Wheat

In cooperation with the McLean County Independent, North Dakota, the county Farmers Union has trucks travelling throughout the county collecting wheat both for subscriptions to the paper and for farmers' dues to the Farmers Union.

## Take Aim at Direct Buying of Livestock

U. S. Gov't Charges Packers With Violations of 1921 Stockyards Law

The United States government is taking a hand in the selling of live stock direct by the farmer to the packer. Direct buying of live stock by packers has come under the most penetrating inquisitorial spotlight in history as the department of agriculture began hearings last July in an effort to delve into the system, its many ramifications, and its effect upon central markets and the prices paid to farmers and stockmen.

Charges by Secretary of Agriculture Wallace against the "Big Four" packers allege manipulation of prices and apportionment of territory and purchases by them, namely Armour & Co., Swift & Co., Wilson & Co., and the Cudahy Packing Co. The violations charged are against the packers and stockyards act of 1921. All hearings are being conducted before Raymond L. Dillman, department of agriculture trial examiner, under the bureau of animal industry's docket No. 909, on complaint of the Secretary filed August 12, 1937.

Government hearings on the live stock marketing or packers' buying practices began in San Antonio, Texas, in which packers' poultry operations were taken up, the inquiry moving to Kansas City, Mo., on July 25, thence to Omaha on August 9, and to Chicago on September 20.

Depress Market Prices  
Main points brought out in the testimony thus far, according to the S. Live Stock News, tends to show: That direct buying is carried on extensively by the four respondents. At times as high as 75 per cent of hog purchases for plants located at some central markets are bought direct.

That direct buying tends to depress open market prices; That there appears to be a certain division of packer purchases; That packers' buying practices during the period under investigation have had the effect of price manipulation;

That direct prices are based on the open market; That practically every witness except those representing the respondents contended that the volume of hogs bought direct and in the hands of packers each day before the market opens enables them to avoid any real competition among themselves in establishing open market prices.

Testimony of market men were unanimous that direct buying does depress the open market price and eight out of nine farmers and stockmen called in the Kansas City hearing agreed. As to the packers' open market operations, C. Edgar Blomquist, a hog salesman and former packer buyer, summed up most of the testimony thus far when he said:

"Packers Act Together  
"Today, during the development of trade, we do not ask what one packer is doing. We ask what the packers are doing, for we have come to know that they are all generally bidding about the same, and for that matter it is the order buyers and shippers to whom we must look for stimulation of market demand."

Fred Green, who formerly bought hogs for Swift & Co. at St. Joseph, Mo., threw a bombshell into the packers' side of the table and elicited such expressions as "damnable" and "villainous," when he testified that, when thus employed, he was instructed orally by Swift's head hog buyer on that market to divide the volume of hogs available, less the shiner "buy," with Armour & Co.

"Nine times out of ten," Green declared, "the buys were divided equally at the close of the week."

L. G. Ramsbottom, Munden, Kansas, was the only "off-market" witness to declare in favor of direct buying by packers. His reason, he testified, was that direct buying eliminated the cost of market services to the farmers and producers.

Much of the value of his testimony was lost, however, when further questioning brought out the fact that Mr. Ramsbottom buys approximately 90 per cent of his hogs from farmers in his vicinity and sells them direct to the packers, his profits being those of a middleman. He stated that he has sold as many as 375 carloads of hogs a year.

The hearings are being conducted under a complaint filed by the U. S. department of agriculture, following a secret investigation of packers' operations conducted by the department during a period of more than a year.

### ISSUE CROP REPORT

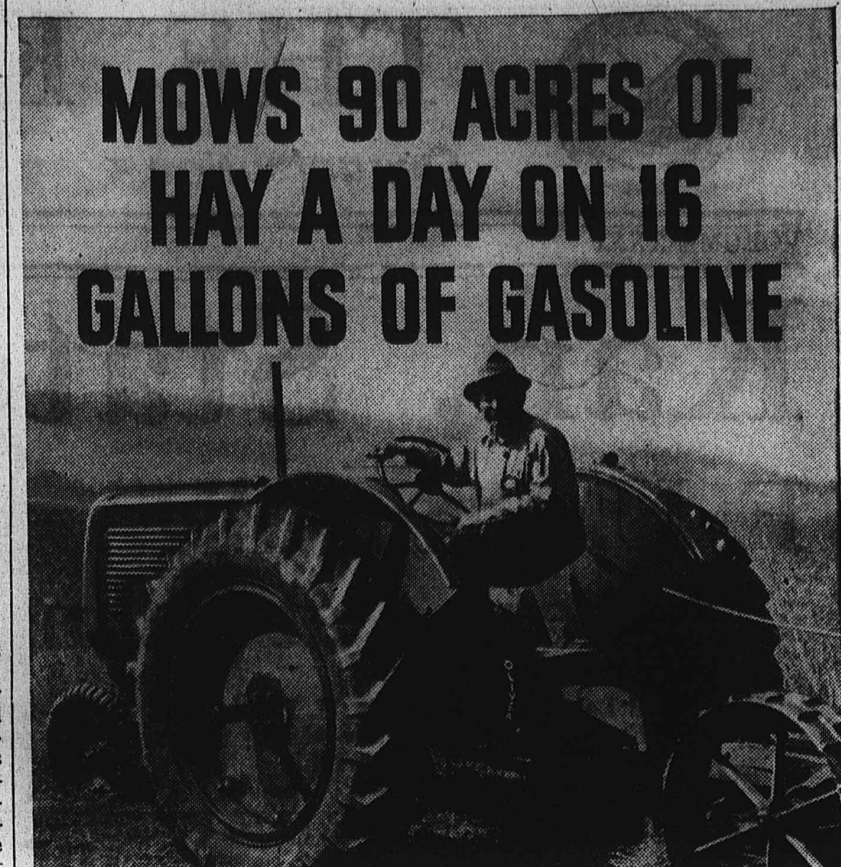
Sorghum Yield Is One of Best on Record

The combined outturn of Kansas crops this year will be about the same as in 1937 and much larger than that of recent drought years according to the October 1 Crop Report of the U. S. Bureau of Agricultural Economics and the State Board of Agriculture. Harvesting of sorghums for grain and forage is well under way and husking of corn is beginning over the eastern half of the state. One of the best sorghum crops on record has been produced over the eastern two-thirds of Kansas and corn yields are the most favorable in a number of years.

Seeding of winter wheat was started earlier than usual this year and on October 1 seeding was practically completed in the western central areas and more than one-half finished in the eastern part. Unusually warm, dry weather the past three weeks has dried out surface moisture to the point where many growers have suspended seeding operations.

Early wheat is up to good stands but much of the acreage seeded late in September has failed to germinate or is showing thin, spotted stands and making slow growth.

A large acreage of alfalfa was seeded this fall but seedlings in many of the dry areas are in poor condition. Pastures made a good recovery.



"FROM NOW ON it is high compression and good gasoline for me" says Louis Buzzine, who farms 3,000 acres near Petaluma, Cal., with two high compression Oliver "70" tractors.

MR. BUZZINE put a new streamlined wallop in that old saying about making hay while the sun shines when he changed to high compression tractors and good gasoline. He made 28% more hay in a day and he used 27% less fuel. Here's how he compares his two high compression Oliver 70's, burning regular-grade gasoline, with his two low compression tractors, burning low-grade fuel:

"I can truthfully say I am sold on high compression and good gasoline. As the old saying goes, 'the proof of the pudding is eating it' and I have had plenty to eat."

"During the course of farming 3,000 acres of hay land, we pull 14 feet of mowers. With the two low compression tractors operating a 10-hour day we burned 22 gallons of low-grade fuel, mowing 70 acres of hay, pulling mowers in third gear. With the two high compression Oliver tractors, burning regular-grade gasoline, we burned 16 gallons of gas, mowing 90 acres of hay, pulling mowers in fourth gear. Besides this, the tractors using low-grade fuel consumed half a gallon of motor oil between changes whereas

the gasoline tractors consumed none. "I have learned that low first cost does not mean cheap operating cost."

To lower your operating costs, make sure the next tractor you buy has been designed to burn good gasoline (containing tetraethyl lead) efficiently. This means a high compression cylinder head or pistons and a "cold" gasoline type manifold. In your present tractor you get added power and economy by installing "altitude" pistons or a high compression cylinder head, changing the manifold setting or the manifold to the "cold" gasoline type, and using regular-grade gasoline (containing tetraethyl lead).

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## IT PAYS TO BUY GOOD GASOLINE FOR CARS, TRUCKS AND TRACTORS

ery this year with much native grass producing seed. Feed supplies are plentiful and many feeder cattle and lambs will be shipped in to graze on wheat and utilize surplus feed.

### INTO GROUP MEDICINE

Farm Security Administration Plans Program for Dakotas

Medical, dental and hospital care through loans made by the Farm Security Administration, will be provided the low-income farmers of North Dakota and South Dakota until next July 1. The government agency will lend each family \$16 or

the necessary \$2 a month to insure the cost of an experiment in group medicine.

About half the farm families of the two states will be eligible to participate in the group medical plan, in which the state medical associations and other professional groups will cooperate. In 10 other states, said Dr. W. S. Alexander, FSA administrator, government aid is being provided to give medical care to 58,000 low-income farm families.

The plan, to become operative November 1, will be open to all those who have been or now are being aided by the farm security administration.

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## Junior and Juvenile Department

Juniors from 16 to 21

Juveniles from 6 to 16

**Junior Motto: "He loves his country best  
who strives to make it best"**

### PLAY IT SQUARE

When the other side is beating,  
And things are going wrong;  
No matter how you tussle,  
You can't get going strong.  
Don't start to crab your fellows  
And give them all the blame,  
But grit your teeth and buckle down,  
And, Buddy—play the game!

Then, when the show is over,  
And the other side has won,  
And all your dreams are busted,  
And you feel your bunch is done,  
You won't have to go 'round moaning  
'Cause you lost the game out there,  
For it doesn't hurt you half as bad  
If you know you played it square.  
—Lloyd M. Wendt, in "Boy Life."

### YOUR LEADER'S MESSAGE

Esther Ekblad

### Convention Approaching—Juniors Busy

Letters the last few days tell of Juniors and Leaders busy making arrangements to attend the convention. We have word that several Juniors are entering the contests, and that we will have musical numbers, readings, playlets by Juniors and Juveniles, and reports by leaders. A few leaders and Juniors will be in Salina for all of the convention, others will come Thursday to take in the Junior activities. This is the news that we like to hear; it is news that makes us anxious for convention days to come. Our participation in the convention Thursday evening is being given much publicity which convinces us more than ever that we must do our very best. With all leaders and Juniors showing such enthusiasm we are sure that our program will be a highlight of the day.

### Last Minute Bulletin

Our last minute bulletin at this time is of course concerning the important days ahead; as most of us are busy with our duties, we don't want to leave any hoop-holes that will be the cause for our forgetting the when, where and what.

The Junior program at the convention will be Thursday evening, October 27, at 7:30 P. M. Thursday evening before the program at 6:00 P. M., all Juniors and Leaders will have dinner together; that will give us a social hour in which we can eat, visit, and sing together.

As Salina is quite centrally located, it will be possible for many of you to return to your homes after our program Thursday evening, if you want to. If at all possible, plan to make it an all-day trip by coming to Salina Thursday morning. We will need to meet at times earlier in the day to get our program arranged so that we will be ready to go when the awaited hour arrives. And, too, coming early in the day will give us an opportunity of seeing what a Farmers Union convention is like. The convention sessions will be held in the Salina Memorial Hall.

Keep these days and hours in mind and with us look forward to Junior Day, October 27th.

### Juniors Are Active

Some very interesting reports of meetings and special activities have come to us. We'll let the banquet given by the Johnstown Juniors for Charles Peterson who left the group to attend college at Wichita head the list. The Johnstown Juniors have also been building bricks for our Junior structure by visiting the No. 8 Local in their county and giving a program for the purpose of interesting the Juniors in that community. Girard Juniors have been busy with regular classes and are planning to boost their work by selling hot dogs at a corn husking contest. To you, Juniors and Leaders, a hearty handshake for your fine accomplishments.

### Juniors At Quinter Organize

As I write, the train is taking me away from Gove county, the first county in the western part of the state to start Junior organization work. My very interesting visit at Quinter and the neighborhood round about began Monday evening, October 11, when I arrived by train too soon! No, there was nothing very bad about it at all; I simply took an afternoon train when I was expected to take a night train and arrive at Quinter early in the morning. Well, through a few inquiries, I found my Quinter "home" which was with the Ikenberry's. Mr. Ikenberry is manager of the Quinter Farmers Union Hardware and Implement Store.

Tuesday morning Mr. W. E. Roesch, who is a member of the state F. U. Board, and Marie Starkey, a camper and a newly appointed Junior Leader came for me and together we went out to visit rural schools. The purpose of visiting the schools was to tell the boys and girls about the Junior and Juvenile work of the F. U. and to invite them to attend a F. U. meeting at Quinter Thursday evening. That meeting to be in the interest of educational work.

We visited six schools that day and also managed to edge in a visit to one of the scenic wonders Gove county has to offer the state.

Geologists tell us that thousands of years ago, long before the Rocky Mountains were formed, the eastern shore line of a great "Mediterranean" extended across eastern Kansas and the western part of the state was under water. To tell of that age we have in several western counties chalk bluffs rising from the plains, in which there are imbedded fossils and sea animals of every shape and size. At present geologists are busy chipping out a large fish imbedded in one of the chalk bluffs near Quinter. We went to see Castle Rock which is a chalk spire, 70 feet high, and which looks very much like the old English channel. Who says there are no attractions for tourists in Kansas!

Perhaps we had better get back to Quinter and Junior work. Marie invited me to spend Thursday evening at her home which of course I was more than pleased to do. How quickly the time passes in visiting, getting acquainted, and—sleeping! soon it was morning again and Marie and I were visiting schools. We had three schools to visit that day, two in the morning and one in the afternoon. We had plenty of time so Marie took me to another scenic spot in Gove county, the state lake. The lake is the largest of its kind in Kansas; it is fed by springs and covers 120 acres. As no fishing or hunting will be allowed there until 1940, wild ducks find the lake a very desirable location. There were quite a number of them on the lake the day of our visit.

Wednesday evening found me again out in the country, this time at Venita Inloes' home. Venita was also one of our Eureka Park campers. Gathered around the piano that evening singing Junior camp songs brought back pleasant memories.

Thursday afternoon we visited the grade school and the high school in town, then we were ready for the big meeting that evening. After the business meeting of the Local, Venita Inloes took charge of the program. (I want to pass the word on right here that Venita is a dandy program chairman.) The program consisted of group singing, a recitation by a very young Juvenile, and a playlet, "The Doctors" by a group of Juniors. It was then my turn to explain the purpose of Junior work. After the meeting adjourned, all the young folks of Junior age from a meeting of their own at the front of the room, and the first steps in the organization of a Junior class were discussed and voted upon. Class officers and committees for recreation and entertainment were elected. The Juniors will meet twice a month with the Local. A Juvenile class which will be organized at the next meeting will also meet in connection with the regular Local meeting.

We feel certain that with such fine leaders as Marie Starkey and Venita Inloes, the Junior class at Quinter will step right along. Much success to you. To all the F. U. folks at Quinter, I want to extend my sincere appreciation for your generous and kind hospitality.

### Johnstown Juniors To No. 8

The Juniors of the Johnstown Local, McPherson county, visited the No. 8 Local and presented a program. The program was as follows: Song, "Men of the Soil" reading by Billy Rhodes; song, Charles Peterson; reading, Bernard Schaffer; song, "Wahoo," by the group; 4-minute speech, Clara Olson; a debate, "Resolved that bobbed hair has done more harm than good," the debaters were Charles Peterson, Bernard Schaffer, Victor Larson, and Johnnie Larson. A camp talk was given by Betty Peterson, and as a closing number, a song was sung by the group.

### A Farewell Banquet

The Juniors and adult members of the Johnstown Local gave a Banquet for Charles Peterson, a Junior member, who left the community to attend college at Wichita.

The banquet was a very delightful occasion with singing between courses and toasts given to Charles by the Juniors. Fourteen Juniors and their leader, Mrs. Harriet Eaton, sat at a table decorated in blue and gold, the Junior colors. Seventy-five persons besides the Juniors were seated.

The ladies of the Local served. The menu was as follows: Tomato cocktail, fried chicken, whipped potatoes, candied sweet potatoes, baked beans, Harvard beets, cabbage salad, fresh fruit and assorted cake, lemonade and coffee.

### SMART AND SIMPLE



### 8273. Daytime Dress.

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Kansas Farmers Union  
Salina, Kansas

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Read and son, Duane, attended the annual meeting of the National Association of Mutual Insurance Companies at Syracuse, New York, October 3, 4 and 5, as did G. W. Bushby, president of the Farmers Union Mutual Insurance Company, Salina. Mr. Read is vice president of this company.



### Frozen Fruit Punch

(Serves 6-8)

2 cups sugar  
1 1/2 cups water  
1 small bunch mint, chopped  
3 cups weak tea (or ginger ale)  
1/2 cup lemon juice  
2 cups orange juice  
Boil sugar, water and mint together for 5 minutes. Chill, add remaining ingredients, strain and freeze.

### Lima and Celery Salad

2 cups cooked, dried Limas  
1 cup diced celery  
1/2 green pepper, minced  
1/2 cup French dressing  
Mix ingredients an hour or more before serving. To serve, arrange on lettuce leaves. Place a spoonful of mayonnaise on top and sprinkle with minced green pepper.

### Whole-Meal Macaroni Dish

Easy to prepare, wholesome and inexpensive.

1/2 lb. macaroni  
1 cup milk  
2 tablespoons butter  
1 can tomato soup  
1 cup grated cheese  
Salt and pepper

Boil macaroni in plenty of boiling, salted water till tender. Drain. Melt butter in saucepan and add the cooked macaroni. Heat well and add the milk. Cook macaroni in butter and milk until about dry. Add tomato soup and cheese. Heat until cheese is well melted, stirring till flavors blend. Serve hot.

Note: Spaghetti, elbows, sea shells or other shapes of the macaroni family may be substituted for macaroni in this recipe.

### Ripe Grape Conserve

4 cups (2 lbs.) prepared fruit  
Grated lemon rind  
1/4 cup lemon juice  
7 cups (3 lbs.) sugar  
1 lb. seeded raisins  
1 cup finely chopped nut meats  
1/2 bottle fruit pectin

### TESTED RECIPE

By Frances Lee Barton

WHEN young folks entertain it's more fun for them when their elders "give them the floor" and let them run the party for themselves, with a tactful hint that hilarity must be kept within bounds. Arrange a buffet supper and let them make their own coffee. For such a supper, these Chocolate Butterflies Cakes are just the ticket! Festive to look at, delicious to eat—and perfectly easy to manage on a "serve yourself" occasion.

### Chocolate Butterflies Cakes

6 tablespoons sifted cake flour;  
1/2 teaspoon double-acting baking powder; 1/2 teaspoon salt; 1/4 cup sifted sugar; 4 egg whites, stiffly beaten; 4 egg yolks, beaten until thick and lemon-colored; 1 teaspoon vanilla; 2 squares unsweetened chocolate, melted; 1/2 cup cream, whipped.

Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder and salt, and sift together three times. Fold sugar gradually into egg whites. Fold in egg yolks and vanilla. Fold in flour gradually. Then beat in chocolate, gently but thoroughly. Turn into greased large cup-cake pans filling them 2/3 full. Bake in moderate oven (350° F.) 25 minutes, or until done. Remove cone-shaped pieces from center of each cake and fill hollows with whipped cream, sweetened and flavored with vanilla. Cut off points from removed pieces. Cut each cap in half and press halves to tops of cakes, bringing rounded edges together at base to represent wings. Or place caps, rounded side down, on tops of cakes to make dessert cakes. Makes 16 to 20 cup cakes.

### SPICED APPLES

Select firm apples that will not mush in processing. Leave whole, or peel, core and cut in eighths. Pack in clean jars. Pour over each quart of apples 1/2 cup water and glycerine which has been brought to a boil. Have syrup within 1-2 inches from top of jar. Add red vegetable coloring to give desired shade.

An excellent recipe for Apple Flavor with cinnamon according to taste. Put on top of jar, screwing tight. Cook in oven of 250° F. for 75 minutes or in water bath for 25 minutes.

The glycerine will preserve the fruit, keep its natural taste and appearance and keep the artificial color or smooth.

### APPLE SPREAD DE LUXE

6 tart apples  
1-4 pound nut meats  
1-2 pound seedless raisins  
1-2 pound brown sugar  
1-4 cup glycerine

Pare and slice apples, wash raisins, chop together with nut meats, not too fine. Mix ingredients, place over fire with just enough water to keep from burning and cook slowly for 45 minutes. Add sugar and glycerine and continue cooking until thick. Pour into sterilized jars and seal. The glycerine will keep the apple butter from becoming too dark in color—bring out the tart apple taste and make it smooth.

### SEAL TOMATO STEM

The fact that a tomato has a skin that is practically gas tight and "breathes" almost entirely through its stem scar has led to a simple treatment which may be held at ordinary temperatures. The treatment, a bit of wax over the stem scar, was developed by Dr. Charles Brooks, pathologist in the U. S. Department of Agriculture, and reported by him at the meetings of the American Society for Horticultural Science in Indianapolis. The process may be of special value for late season supplies or for early tomatoes which are to be shipped long distances. Tomatoes picked at the mature green stage and waxed over the stem scar have been held at 70 degrees F. for as long as three weeks, compared with 10 days for untreated tomatoes.

Mature green tomatoes ripen as the result of living processes within, including respiration—the intake of oxygen from the air with an outgo of carbon dioxide gas. Warmth speeds up these changes and cold retards them. This is the principal reason for cold storage of fruits and vegetables.

In recent years science has found that storing fruits and vegetables in an atmosphere with more than a normal proportion of carbon dioxide gas also checks respiration or "breathing," and retards ripening.

### Social Ice Breakers

Here are new recipes for party success! Peg Chow and Telka (you play both on the same board) are scoring a double header success in parlor sport circles. Telka is an exciting new development of Chinese Checkers, invented by George S. Parker. You jump pieces in any direction and capture the enemy's when he strays from safety zones. Peg Chow is a variation of Chinese Checkers played on a peg board. Crossword Anagrams is another favorite; it's a variation of the Crossword Lexicon craze that played with Crossword Lexicon tiles instead of cards.

### BASIS OF REPRESENTATION TO THE F. U. CONVENTION, OCTOBER 25-28

Please observe Section 2, Article 1, Division B of your Constitution and By-laws, dated 1935—for rules, instructions, and basis of representation in the annual meeting.

- One delegate for each Local Union in good standing in the State Organization, with five or more paid up members.
- One delegate for each County Union in good standing, with five or more active locals in the county.
- One delegate for each local, county or district cooperative Farmers Union business Association; and in the case of County Farmers Union Cooperatives made up of several units, each unit is entitled to a delegate. Providing, such association has 51% of its stockholders as paid up members of the Kansas Farmers Union.
- One delegate for each state-wide business or marketing organization affiliated with the Kansas Farmers Union.
- One delegate for each the Ladies Auxiliary, and the Managerial Association.

### Instructions to Delegates

A delegate must be a member in good standing on the records of the Secretary of the Kansas Farmers Union, to participate in the annual convention. They must present their valid Farmers Union membership card before being permitted to participate in the convention.

Each delegate must have the credential of the organization he, or she, claims to represent, and these credentials must be issued in the order and manner prescribed by the 1935 Constitution and By-laws.

All delegates' Credentials MUST be mailed to the State Farmers Union office, Box 296, Salina, Kansas or filed with the Credentials Committee at the annual state convention.

No credentials will be accepted by the Credentials committee after 6:00 p. m. Thursday, October 27, 1938.

### Convention Schedule

Complying with the provisions of the Constitution and by-laws, the thirty-third annual convention of the Farmers Educational and Cooperative Union of America, Kansas Division, will convene in the Memorial Hall at Salina, Kansas on Wednesday, October 26, 1938, at 10:00 a. m.

The meeting will continue in session until all business pertinent to the organization and the interest of the membership, coming before the delegates for consideration, has been transacted.

The Kansas Farmers Union Managerial Association will hold its meeting in Memorial Hall at Salina, Kansas on Tuesday afternoon, October 25, 1938, beginning at 1 p. m. An interesting evening program is also being planned.

Thursday, October 27, 1938, there will be nomination of candidates for officers and directors. One director from each the first, second and third districts, and one director to fill the unexpired term of one year in the fifth district. Also, names of cities for entertaining the 1939 state convention from the Second District.

Friday, October 28, beginning at 8 a. m. the polls will be open for voting.

### Delegates Credentials

For your convenience, we are printing copies of delegates' credentials for the local and county organizations, and also for the local business association groups. You may clip these and use them in sending in the names of your delegates elected to represent you at the convention.

### APPLE BREAD

A thick slice cut from a freshly baked loaf of bread and spread with golden butter, a dish of cool apple sauce and a tall glass of milk all combine to make a perfect summer luncheon.

### LOCAL SUPPLIES

Below is a Price List of Local Supplies, printed for the convenience of all Local and County Secretaries in the Kansas Farmers Union.

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## F. U. Acts to Avert Colo. Beet Strike

Growers Ass'n Refuses to Arbitrate Differences With Labor, Reports Patton

A threatened strike of beet field workers in Colorado was averted last week almost at the last hour, very largely by action taken by the Colorado Farmers Union, and Jim Patton, secretary. Mr. Patton is also a director of the National Farmers Union and chairman of its Western Organizing committee.

A federal mediator had been sent to Denver to attempt to bring together the parties to the controversy, looking to possible settlement. The Governor had asked officials of the labor union and officials of the beet growers' association to meet with him and state their differences publicly so that Colorado governmental authorities might be of some aid in bringing the issue to agreement.

Organized labor responded to the Governor's invitation, but officials of the beet growers' association refused to confer. At the suggestion of the Farmers Union, the Governor appointed a Conciliation Commission of five farmers and the Commission made Jim Patton its chairman.

The Commission extended an invitation to both groups to discuss the point in controversy before the Commission and again organized labor responded, making its statement of position for the record and submitting to careful cross-examination by members of the Commission. Officials of the beet growers' association refused to meet the Commission either at Denver or at its own offices in Greeley when the Commission offered to meet them in their own headquarters and without organized labor represented.

The Conciliation Commission, finding itself helpless to deal with the situation was compelled to give up its attempts to avert the strike. Meanwhile, the labor union had postponed the strike for two days but announced that no further postponement was possible unless something tangible should be forthcoming.

It was at this juncture that Mr. Patton came forward with proposals.

**Confession Is Incomplete**

"The beet grower finds himself between the upper and nether millstone with the Great Western Sugar Company above him and the fixed production cost of the beet growers of Rocky Mountain Beet Growers Association have publicly stated their inability to deal with the present labor controversy," he said. "They ought to broaden the base of their confession. The record clearly indicates that they have been unable to secure an adequate price for the grower, or even a price equal to that paid in outside areas. The contract for the current year, which the officials of the Beet Growers Association seem to have found eminently satisfactory, or were unable to improve, is nearly \$1.50 per ton lower than the price which beet growers in the Garden City, Kansas, area are receiving this year for their beets. The Garden City grower lacks the benefit of representation by the Beet Growers Association. In my opinion the question may be seriously raised as to whether the Beet Growers Association represents the interests of the beet farmer or the interests of the Great Western Sugar Company with its exploitation of grower and worker alike."

"The heart of the whole problem is in the fact that the grower is receiving a wholly inadequate price for his beets, below production costs in many instances, and that his Association has proven as incompetent to deal with that problem as it declares itself to be in dealing with the labor controversy which is only a by-product of the farmers' inadequate income. Beet growers are entitled to and must have an agency truly representative of their interests, able and willing to fight for more adequate beet prices. They are entitled to an organization which will develop strength, resourcefulness and bargaining power in place of one which makes virtue of its weakness."

**As an officer of the National Farmers Union, I shall recommend and work for the adoption of a policy under which Commodity Committees may be created within the Farmers Union, nationally and state by state, to deal with the peculiar problems of separate commodities. In Colorado it is my hope that such a plan may be applied first to sugar beets. Kansas, Nebraska and Montana are also states having strong Farmers Union organizations and beet growers' problems and it is my purpose to seek the cooperation of officials in such states in this general program. If such Commodity Committees shall be created, they will be qualified to represent beet growers in the annual hearings conducted by the Sugar Section of the Department of Agriculture in which wage deter-**

minations are made and beet prices are discussed.

"They will most certainly be able to do a better job of bargaining with the Great Western Sugar Company than has been done by the Beet Growers organization. In the final analysis may be necessary to establish cooperative sugar refineries and to distribute the finished product through cooperative channels. Steps are already being taken looking to the development of such a program through cooperation between the National Farmers Union and the State Farmers Union in the states involved including the securing of federal funds in connection with such projects. There seems to be abundant evidence that Great Western Sugar Company makes a profit of more than \$25 per acre on all beets handled. If this is true the grower and the field worker are both serving Great Western and not themselves, and the Beet Growers Association is serving Great Western and not its grower members."

"I shall also undertake to have the entire influence and strength of National and State Farmers Union put behind a move to compel the discontinuance of the planned shifting of migratory beet field labor from one state to another. The use by Great Western Sugar Company of paid agents to recruit unneeded laborers at so much per head and the moving of them into the beet growing areas is a betrayal of the interests of workers, beet growers and the public alike. The demand of organized labor that such practice be discontinued is entitled to the organized support of growers and taxpayers who ultimately underwrite the costs of relief for such migratory laborers after the working season."

### VOTE FULL APPROVAL

AAA Receives O. K. By Kansas Farm Bureau

Complete approval of the AAA agricultural program was voted by delegates to the Kansas Farm Bureau convention at Ottawa, October 19. A resolution read as follows: "Under present conditions we believe that the one thing that stands in the way of complete demoralization of farm prices, such as was experienced a few years ago, is the AAA of 1938."

"This legislation has more influence today in preventing the return of ruinously low prices than all other factors combined."

### Ellis County Farmer Writes

"We are coming for the convention of all goes well," writes J. Frank Walz, Hays, "and hope it may be a ring for the dirt farmer." Mr. Walz included a copy of a letter he had written to the Topeka State Journal, and asked its publication in our Farmers Union paper.

However the letter is very political in nature, and Mr. Walz expresses his hope in such a forceful manner that the editor has doubted the wisdom of its publication, especially at this time. Enough it is to say that Mr. Walz disagrees with the majority who attended the addresses of the Secretary of Agriculture Wallace in Kansas recently, and who booted critics of the AAA program.

"The real tragedy of most of our social calamities," says Warren Grafton, in "Talks," "is that they could have been avoided. We are not too late to accept the inevitable, but social disintegration is never inevitable. There are enough sane thinkers in any crisis to stay the forces of destruction; our social breakdowns come because the sane men take to cover and the mad men get in the drivers' seats."

## A Farm Means More Than Simply Another Business

Is a Home for the Farm Family, a Part of the Community, and the Strength of the Nation

With many the idea has persisted that farming is just one more business, to be dealt with only in terms of prices and income, wages and taxes, tariffs and foreign trade, exploitation and speculation. Many are commencing to ask whether it is not time to return to more fundamental considerations, to the idea of the farm as a home, a place of security, a way of life.

What is a farm? Of course it is a piece of land with necessary buildings and equipment adapted to the production of one or more farm-grown commodities; there must be soil, not merely gravel, rocks and stones; it must be clear of other growth, in contract to forested areas; it must have topography which permits farm operations, as distinct from steep hillsides and abrupt or precipitous slopes; and the elements must meet farm requirements—proper rainfall or water in season, rather than swamp or desert conditions, and temperatures not too hot, too cold or subject to uncertain frosts; other physical

qualities are necessary features of a farm.

**A Faulty Definition**  
Here is a faulty philosophy regarding a farm, points out a study made by the national association of manufacturers, but some think of a farm as:

(1) A segment of natural resources which one may exploit or mine or deplete of its natural elements of fertility, sell these in the domestic or foreign markets, and claim the rewards as profits, as they would from a mine. In other words, that it is merely an area to be exploited, mined and depleted.

(2) A place which one may buy (perhaps on a narrow margin) and when it goes up or down in price sell it and make a capital gain or loss. In other words, as an opportunity for speculation.

(3) A place where one may invest his savings and secure rent therefrom. In other words, as a place to earn the equivalent of interest.

(4) A place of business where one may hope to produce raw materials at a low cost, sell them at a higher price, and pocket the difference as net gain. In other words, as a place for an enterprise which combine the elements of land, labor and capital in such a manner as to produce a profit.

**Is Not a Shop**  
(4) A place to work as owner, tenant or cropper and to sell the products in lieu of working for a salary or a wage; as a place to earn the equivalent of a salary or a wage.

In other words, some think of a farm primarily as a place to make the equivalent of rent, interest, profits, capital gains, salary and wage by investing, speculating, exploiting, managing and working. Agriculture like that is not farming in its true sense. Those conceptions imply over-capitalized, commercialized, industrialized, exploitative and speculative farming; and "if you do not get rich at it, then the government may pass the necessary laws to make it profitable."

In contrast, there are millions of farm operators who think of the farm:

(1) As a home, a place to live, a place to rear a family and a place of peace and response in old age rather than a place to retire from to some resort;

(2) As a part of an enlightened community with its churches, schools, libraries, social centers, cooperative enterprises, local government, roads, etc.;

(3) As a piece of the natural resources of the nation to protect, conserve, adapt to its proper use, diversify and rotate and not to exploit or deplete;

(4) As an individually owned homestead to hand down from generation to generation and not to be bought and sold from year to year on a speculative market;

(5) In many cases, as a place to live, where many of the more expensive basic necessities can be grown and from which some members of the family can go to useful, careful, whole or part-time employment in neighboring cities, towns, villages, mines, quarries or factories;

(6) Finally, in most cases, as a place to produce more than the family requirements, so that on the one hand the multitudes of non-farmers in the towns and cities shall be provided for and on the other hand the

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1938

Executive Session

(Admittance by Membership Card only)

8:30 a. m. Music.  
9:00 a. m. Convention called into session.  
Invocation—Rev. R. V. Kearns, Presbyterian Church.  
Reading of Minutes of 1937 state convention.  
Report of the Executive Committee—Ross Palenske, Chairman.  
Report of the State Secretary—Pauline Cowger.  
Report of Credentials Committee.  
Nomination of State Officers.  
Directors—First, Second and Third Districts.  
Delegates to the National Convention.  
1938 Convention City—District No. 2.  
11:00 a. m. General Discussion—"Greatest Needs of Farmers Union and Solutions."  
Announcements.  
Adjournment.

1:00 p. m. Music.  
1:30 p. m. Convention reconvened.  
Memorial Service for A. M. Kinney and other departed members.  
Report of Committees.  
Guitar Solo—Miss Jeanne Kuiken, Downs, Kansas.  
Reports of Committees.  
Talks—Visiting Farmers Union officials.  
Announcements.  
Adjournment.  
Credential Registration Closes at 6:00 p. m.

6:00 Banquet—Juniors and Junior Leaders.  
7:30 p. m. Junior Program.

JUNIOR PROGRAM, THURSDAY, 7:30 P. M.

Song—"Don't Give Up The Fight"..... Juniors  
Farmers Union Creed

Greeting..... Pauline Cowger, Sec'y.  
Music..... Marshall County

Playlet—"The Farmers' Burden"..... Juveniles, Johnstown Co.

Local Duets—"Nature Sings A Lullabye".....

..... Eunice Carlson and Lilyan Johnson, Riley Co.  
Four Minute Speech Contest

Vocal Solo..... Hermagene Palenske, Wabaunsee Co.  
Playlet—"Co-operation and Cars"..... Ellsworth Co. Juniors

Reading..... Beannard Schaffer, McPherson Co.  
Winning Essays Read.

Music..... Keith Peterson and Dean Thurston, McPherson Co.  
Introduction of Local and County Leaders and Reports.

Report of Junior Leader..... Esther Ekblad  
Message to Juniors..... Mr. John Veseky, National Pres.

Songs—"He Wears A Union Button" and "Men of The Soil"..... Juniors

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28, 1938

8:00 a. m. Polls open for voting.  
8:45 a. m. Music.

9:15 a. m. Convention called to order.  
Invocation.

Final Report of Credentials Committee.  
Reports of Committees.

Unfinished Business.  
New Business.

Report of Elections Committee.  
Installation of Officers.

Final Adjournment.

## Official Call for The Kansas Farmers Union State Convention, Oct. 26, 27, 28

By the Authority vested in me, I hereby issue the call for the thirty-third annual convention of the Farmers Educational and Cooperative Union of America, Kansas Division. Such meeting will be held in Salina, Kansas, on October 26-27-28, 1938.

The Farmers Union Managerial Association will hold its meeting on Tuesday, October 25, at 1:00 p. m. Pauline Cowger, State Secretary.

### Local Business Association DELEGATES CREDENTIAL

Kansas Division

FARMERS EDUCATIONAL AND COOPERATIVE UNION OF AMERICA

This is to certify that ..... (delegate)

Post office address ..... is a member of .....

Local No. .... and ..... (alternate)

Post office address ..... is a member of .....

Local No. .... They are members in good standing in the Kansas Farmers Union, and will represent The .....

Business Association, as duly elected delegates to the thirty-third annual convention of the Kansas Farmers Union which meets in Salina, Kansas, on Wednesday, October 26, 27, 28, 1938. I hereby certify that 51% of the stockholders of the above named cooperative business association are members of the Kansas Farmers Union.

(SEAL)

President.

Secretary.

### Local and County DELEGATES CREDENTIAL

Kansas Division

FARMERS EDUCATIONAL AND COOPERATIVE UNION OF AMERICA

This is to certify that ..... (delegate)

Post office address ..... Local No. ....

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Post office address ..... Local No. ....

are members in good standing of ..... local union

number....., State of Kansas, and were elected delegates to the thirty-third annual convention of the Kansas Farmers Union which meets in Salina, Kansas on Wednesday, October 26, 27, 28, 1938.

President.

Secretary.

(SEAL)

## Convention Committees

Local, county and business associations are requested to send to the State office, Salina, the names of persons who are eligible and whom they would suggest to serve on different convention committees. Please forward these names at your early convenience.

It is also requested that any individual or group having resolutions, recommendations or any matters wished brought to the attention of different committees, to send these to the State office in Salina, so they can be referred to the proper committees.

farm operator may be able to buy those things not otherwise available on the farm.

## A PEACE PROGRAM

Peace Council Secretary Analyzes Legislative Needs

The national council for prevention of war had its annual meeting scheduled for October 19 and 20. Discussion would be based and directed by a "program for the United States based on the recent crisis" which was formulated by Frederick J. Libby, executive secretary of the Council.

The program is outlined as follows:

1. To keep America out of war—the only possible starting point for our future international cooperation: a. Mandatory Keep-America-out-of-war or "neutrality" bill, stopping gaps in present legislation. b. Constitutional amendment requiring a popular referendum before foreign wars can be waged. c. All-time embargo on the export of munitions.

2. To remove the economic causes of war: a. Mutually advantageous trade agreements with all nations, including Germany, Italy, Japan and Russia. b. Use of our huge gold and silver reserves to strengthen the financial status of all nations and facilitate world trade.

3. To remove the intolerable menace and waste of increasing armaments: a. Legislation restricting the use of our navy to defense of the United States from invasion. b. Government pressure for the universal abolition of weapons of aggression and appropriate limitation of the weapons of defense.

4. To defend democracy: a. Make it better and show its superiority to other systems. b. Remove the economic causes of fascism and communism, such as bad housing, unemployment and desperate poverty, transforming our war boom progressively into a peace boom.

5. To provide for future settlement of all our disputes by pacific means: a. Perfect the Pan-American system of treaties. b. Strengthen our participation in the International Labor Organization. c. Join the World Court. d. Substitute for the present international anarchy a universal League of Nations dedicated, not to the maintenance of the status quo but to the promotion of justice; with sanctions in an optional clause, to be signed by those that want to enforce them; a League completely equipped, like the Pan-American system of treaties, to settle peacefully by conference, conciliation or arbitration, all disputes that may arise. Establish an independent World Grievance Commission, representing farm, labor and business as well as governments, to listen to dissatisfied nations or minorities and propose solutions before their grievances become acute.

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