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The Company and Its Members Have Complete Confidence In Federal Farm Board

During this, the first full year of our operations, and in spite of the dif-ficult marketing situation which has prevailed and the burden of organiza-tion which was up in the corporation, we have been able to show net gains in excess of the total invested capital on the part of our stockholders. At the close of this first year we find that every dollar subscribed to the stock of Farmers National Grain Corporation, either in the form of cash or by note, has become approximately two dollars in value.

There has been built up during this first fiscal year a working organization covering the entire United States, which, in the character and ability of its personnel, is probably not excelled by any corporation of similar magnitude, and this regardless of the time involved in developing such comtime involved in developing such com-

All of our policies must stand in the public spotlight, and all of our transactions are subjected to the most searching review. With a turnover of business for the fiscal year of 270 millions of dollars we may today demillions of dollars we may today de-clare with pride that not so much as an indication or suspicion is to be will develop facts relative to the world found that a single penny has in any situation and problems confronting

and with some types of organization needless costs are incurred in the natural difficulties of these coun originating and forwarding of grain tries and what must be done to meet to Farmers National. This seems to them. be particularly true in regions where there had been little or no co-operative marketing of grain carried on just prior to the passage of the Agricultural Marketing Act, and where facilities had to be acquired in relation to the total need.

The Board wishes to emphasize that participation in the London conference does not change in any way its recommendation to wheat growers of this country that they gradually reduce production to a domestic market basis.

the total need.

Perhaps the most interesting and promising development in the relationship between Farmers National and its stockholder members has been that recently accepted by our stock-holders in the Inter-Mountain, North Pacific, California and Colorado areas. In these areas it has been agreed that Farmers National, the stockholder member and the companies which make up the stockholder organization shall enter into a multiorganization shall enter into a multiparty contract, under the terms of which Farmers National will receive the grain, either directly from the producer, or from the local co-op-erative, acting in the capacity of agent for the stockholder organiza-tion. It is also agreed that where co-operatively owned local facilities do not exist in these areas, Farmers Na tional Grain Corporation will under-take to provide such facilities, either by purchase or lease, and to operate them in the most efficient and help-ful relationship to the local producer groups. It is understood that if later local co-operative organizations wish to acquire and operate such properties, Farmers National will make transfer to them, conditioned only upon their continued use as forward-

In lieu of the earnings which would acrue to the co-operative on the usual commission basis for grain handled, and which income would be used by our members for organization and extension of their membership, Farmers National proposes to pay a fixed amount per bushel on all grain orig-inated from companics affiliated with the stockholder member or members

In lieu of local warehouse earnings, it is proposed that a small amount per bushel shall be distributed back to the local community on the volume of grain which it delivers through a lo-cal facility. This plan will not be undertaken in any area except with the consent and full co-operation of the stockholder member or members in

that area. At the outset our members were largely unacquainted, dissimilar, competitive. It was the position of Farmers National that there was room and need for further experimentation in marketing method; need for closer acquaintance; need for the cementing together which comes from work in (continued on page 4)

TO-DAY

Sure, this world is full of trouble I ain't said it ain't.

Lord! I've had enough an' double Reason for complaint.
Rain an' storm have come to fret

Skies are often gray; Thorns an branches have beset me On the road—but, say, Ain't it fine to-day?

What's the use of always weepin Makin' trouble last? What's the use of always keepin'
Thinkin' of the past?
Each must have his tribulation,
Water with his wine. Life, it ain't no celebration.

Trouble? I've had mine—

But to-day is fine.

It's to-day that I am livin'
Not a month ago.
Havin' losin', takin', givin',
As time wills it so.
Yesterday a cloud of sorrow

Fell across the way; It may rain again tomorrow, It may rain—but say, Ain't it fine to-day! -Douglas Malloch.

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SAYS C. E. HUFF

. . C. E. Huff, . President Farmers National Grain Corporation

Wheat Conference

The Federal Farm Board has designated Mr. Sam R. McKelvie, member wheat surplus situation. Dr. Alonzo

Tay been misused.

It has been found that in some areas will lead to a better understanding of

of Commerce Has Not Chamber Changed Stand

After Stone Appeals for Support, Julius Barnes Reiterates Opposition to Competition With Private Business

ATLANTIC CITY, N. P., May 1 .-Advice to American business men not to criticize the federal farm board too strenuously without full information was given to the United States Chamber of Commerce today by James C. Stone, chairman of the board. He gave this counsel in remarks inter-

polated into his set address.

After Mr. Stone's address, Julius H. Barnes, chairman of the chamber's board, pledged the support of the chamber to the farm board's activities "up to the point where those ac-tivities do not infringe" on the economic interests of private business Mr. Barnes's statement was generally could not recognize the grain and cot-ton market activities of the farm

Mr. Stone said the farm board dis-tinctly was "not bolshevist" and that much of the criticism thus far addressed to the board was not based on

accurate information.
In his address Mr. Stone said the In his address Mr. Stone said the board's stabilization activities in the markets could be considered only as temporary expedients, but, he said, the board believes those measures "have been fully justified by the serious emergency that faced agriculture as a result of the stock market crash in 1929." Tosses that may be inin 1929." Losses that may be in-curred, he said, "will be inconsequen-tial as compared to the benefits." The discussion brought renewed in-terest to a resolution of the Minnesota Civic and Commerce Association, indorsing the chamber's stand against government competition, and urging the chamber to resolve to lead the business interests of the country "in an aggressive and continuous campaign, national in character," against such competition. The resolution probably will not be adopted without

JOBBING ASSOCIATION HAS REPRESENTATIVE

Ernest Dean Starts Work May 1

The management of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association is glad to announce that Mr. Ernest Dean, formerly operating the elevator at Beloit, Kansas, will enter the employ of the association on May 1. Mr. Dean will represent the firm on the road. He is a young man who has had a great deal of experience along the line great deal of experience along the line of grain marketing, having operated the Beloit elevator for two years as set to the association. Mr. Dean's cicture appears on page 4. Coopera

WE MUST FACE THE **CONDITIONS AS THEY ARE**

Senator Couzens of Michigan Makes the Statement That Four Per Cent of the People in the United States Received Eighty Per Cent of the National Income Last Year.

By A. M. KINNEY

As an illustration suppose that one hundred people represent the population of the United States and the income of these hundred people was five dollars. Four of these people would receive one dollar each, and one dollar would be divided among the other ninety-six persons.

The editor of this paper was criticized quite severely by one of our Congressmen over an editorial which appeared in the issue of April 9th. The article in question was called "An Indictment of our Industrial and Economic Situation," in which the statement was made that sixty percent of the wealth of the country was owned by one percent of the people, and also, that there were six million men out of work in this country.

The figures on unemployment were taken from the report compiled by the United States Jobbing Association

The income of five hundred and four millionaires for the year 1929 was equal to the total value of the wheat and cotton crops raised in that year. In other words, they received as income as much as two million three hundred and thirty-two thousand farmers, engaged in the production

Senator Capper in an editorial in the Kansas Farmer says:

"The kind of optimism that hides its head in the sand and ignores or will not face disagreeable facts, is not a constructive optimism. Gradual improvement of business will come with improved conditions. That is an unbroken law of economics and it never has been repealed. But the times, whatever they are, are going to call more and more for public-spirited leadership from our captains of business working in harmony with the Government as party of the first part. It is a responsibility that has to be shared and it may not be shirked."

In 1925, according to the government investigators, the average earnings of all classes of workers in the United States, was \$1,384.00, while the average farmer's net earnings for the same year were \$537.00. For the past ten years, the average income per farm family has been around seven hundred dollars. Added to this, the farmer has been taxed out of all proportion to other

A report of G. S. Klemmedson, associate in taxation at the Colorado Agricultural College, NATION'S COOPERA-

"Colorado farmers are paying \$33 out of each \$100 of net income in taxes—four times as much as the average citizen of the state!

The average citizen pays \$8.40 out of every \$100 of net income in federal, state Wealthy persons in the state, filing federal income tax reports, bear a smaller bur-

den of taxation than either of the above groups They pay only \$6.57 out of each \$100 of net income in taxes. In other words, farmers and ranchmen pay 33 per cent of their net incomes in

taxes; average citizens, 8.4 per cent, and wealthy persons, 6.6 per cent." You may see by this report that wealth is paying the smallest proportion of tax to the in-

come of any class in Colorado and this undoubtedly holds true generally, over the United States. So Agriculture, in addition to receiving the lowest income, is also contributing a much larger portion to the burden of government, than any other class of people.

We acknowledge that these are not pleasant things to talk about, especially to those who have been enjoying special privileges which have enabled them to amass great fortunes at the expense of the average citizen. In our opinion, if some change is not made in the near future the reckoning which will come will not be pleasant.

It was the belief of the speaker that the activities of the Farmers National Grain corporation in the competitive market of 1930 saved the farmer ferences will be held throughout the ferences will be held throughout the week of June 8 to 13 at Manhattan, where the sample of the Kansas on the campus of the American Institute of Corporation this year were made public here today by Charles W. Holman, all Grain corporation in the competitive market of 1930 saved the farmer ferences will be held throughout the week of June 8 to 13 at Manhattan, due to a reduction between 1930 and the campus of the Kansas on the campus of the Kansas of the Kansas on the campus of the campus of the campus of the campus of t

In the criticism which came to this office from the Congressman, we were accused of not offering any solution of these questions. We believe that the solution is organization of the farmers and a close affiliation with organized labor.

Raisas, on the campus of the kan-sas state college of agriculture. More than 2,000 fleaders of cooperative organizations will participate.

Recent developments in the move-

Agricultural and labor organizations have the power, both economic and political, if they will use it, to remedy these conditions. And if they do not use this power to bring about a peace-Orleans, Louisiana, vice-president and ful solution, then sometime in the future, we may look for history to repeat itself in a Revolution, which may not be so peaceful.

"Truth forever on the scaffold, wrong forever on the throne, Yet that scaffold rules the future, and behind the dim unknown, Standeth God within the shadows, keeping watch above His own." James Russell Lowell.

FARM PRICE SITUATION LARGE QUANTITY IS SLIGTLY IMPROVED

The purchasing power of farm products in terms of commodities that farmers buy improved slightly from March 15 to April 15 by reason of an estimated decrease in prices of commodities bought by farmers according to the Bureau of Agricultural Grain Economics, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

The bureau's index of prices received by farmers continued at 91 for the period March 15 to April 15, whereas the index of prices paid by

This was the highest price recorde manager, and having been associated with his father several years before that. He assumed the management of the Beloit elevator upon the death of his father. He is a young man of proven competence and will be an asset to the association. Mr. Decking the transfer of the session of the Beloit elevator upon the death accompanied by reports of moisture deficiencies in North American spring two being bound to accept delivery wheat areas and by indications that farm stocks had been reduced to more period. mal proportions. Wheat sold yesterday at 78 1-4c

TO FARM BOARD

Corporation Calls in May Wheat Futures

Today's Deliveries Total 36,000,000 without market disturbance. Bushels

group indexes for dairy products, and cottonseed declined 2 points. The farm price indexes for grains and meat animals were unchanged.

The aveage farm price of wheat advanced from 58.3 cents per bushel on the Grain Stabilization corporation.

Unofficial estimates here were the deliveries swelled wheat holdings of the Grain Stabilization corporation to more than 200,000,000 bushels. Settlement of Contracts

wheat area and by indications that and pay for wheat bought during that

bushel or 1 3-4c above the pegged minimum price of 76½c a bushel which the grain corporation agreed to pay on all its purchases if the price fell below that level.

Without Disturbance CHICAGO, May 1 (AP)—George S. Milnor, president of the Grain Stabilization corporation, said at noon today that initial deliveries on May futures contracts in wheat totaled 36,000,000 bushels, handled and stored

has taken delivery today of approximately 36,000,000 bushel of wheat against May wheat futures owned in various markets. Transfer has been made without confusion or disturbance. Additional deliveries no doubt will be made from day to day during the month. All wheat day of approximately 36,000,000 bushel of wheat against May wheat futures owned in various markets. Transfer has been made without confusion or disturbance. Additional deliveries no doubt will be made from day to day during the month. All wheat day of approximately 36,000,000 bushel of wheat against May wheat futures owned in various markets. Transfer has been made without confusion or disturbance and secretary of the American Cotton Cooperative Association.

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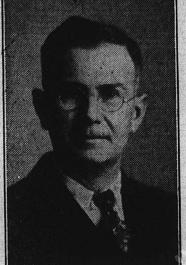
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he corner discussing family trees. "Yes, suh, man," said Ambrose. "I can trace my relations back to a family tree."

"Chase 'em back to a family tree,' said Mose. "Naw, man, trace 'em-get me?" "Well they ain't but two kinds of things dat live in trees, birds and monkeys, and you sho' ain't got no



H. E. WITHAM Sec'y-Manager Farmers Union Jobbing Ass'n

Amends By-Laws

Official Name of Organization Changed

HEAD CONFERENCE

merican Institute of Cooperation Conference To Be Held Through Week of June 8 to 13 At Manhattan

Board, to Address Sessions Friday Night, June 12

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 3—
Names of a score of cooperative leaders who will head the annual conferences of the American Leaders.

ment will be discussed during the first morning by C. O. Moser, New secretary of the American Cotton Co-operative Association; by B. H. Hib-bard. Madison, Wisconsin, chairman of the department of agricultural economics, University of Wisconsin, and by Robin Hood, Washington, D. \$667,000, which is eventually to be disconsingular t C., secretary-treasurer of the Nation-

duction to demand through coopera-tion is to be dealt with June 9 by Edward A. O'Neal, Montgomery. Alabama, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation; C. B. Denman, Washington, D. C., member of the federal farm board; E. J. Bell, Washington, D. C., grain specialist of the federal farm board, and C. O.

delived by farmers continued the period March 15 to April 15, whereas the index of prices paid by farmers is estimated at 134 as compared with 136 the preceding month, the ratio of prices received to prices paid by farmers is estimated at 134 as compared with 136 the preceding month, the ratio of prices received to prices paid is placed at 68 per cent of premiser, war, compared with 67 in March, and gring war ago the purchasing power figure was 85.

Seasonal advances in the farm price of apples and potatoes from March 15 to April 15, and slight price increases for corn, oats, barley, wheat, cotton-seed, lambs and chickens were offset by declines in prices of cotton, rye, flax, hay, cattle, calves, wool and adiry and poultry products.

The index of farm prices of cotton, rye, flax, hay, cattle, calves, wool and adiry and poultry products, and organized manufactural elevator companies which purchased it previously from northwest farmers. Most of the wheat was in elevators here and in Duluth.

The wheat was accepted by the farmers National for the account of the wheat was in elevators here and in Dulutry and poultry products, and noultry and poult

Papers will be presented at the last two mornings of the conferences evaluating the work of the federal farm board from an unbiased standpoint.

L. J. Taber, Columbus, Ohio, master of the National Grange, and C. E. Hough Hartford, Conn., geenral manager of the Connecticut Milk Producers Association will preside over these two sessions. The farm board's grape control plan will be evaluated by S. W. Shear of the University of California. Berkeley, California. Its grain plan will be explained by O. B. Jesness, chief, of agricultural economics University of Minnescota. Its cotton marketing program will be evaluated

M'KELVIE URGES REDUCED ACREAGE OF WHEAT IN U. S.

Points To the States That Have Already Cut Down

Explains Operation of Farm Marketing Act

SALINA, KANS., May 1-Declaring that domestic consumption has failed to keep pace with production by some 15 percent through the last 20 years, and that conditions abroad, largely brought about by Russia's turning of immense amounts of wheat into cash with which to buy machinery in furthering her five-year plan, have played havoc with United States exportations of wheat which have always largely influenced prices at home, Samuel R. McKelvie, mem-ber of the federal farm board and former governor of Nebraska today made a plea for diversified farming and reduction of wheat acreage in a

speech before an audience of 500 at the Masonic Temple. Mr. McKelvie was the featured speaker at a stockholders meeting of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association.

Would Reduce Acreage Changed

SALINA, Kans., May 1—The Farmers Union Jobbing Association held a special stockholders' meeting here with over four thousand shares of stock represented. H. E. Witham, Kansas City, Secretary-Manager of the organization, announced today. The name of the organization was changed from "The Jobbing Association of the Kansas Branch of the National Farmers Educational and Cooperative Union" to the "Farmers Union Jobbing Association."

There were also several minor is done.

Union Jobbing Association."

There were also several minor changes made in the by-laws, in order to comply fully with the Agricultion board for its purchases of grain, tural Marketing Act and the Capper-Volstead Act.

Staunchly defending the stabilization board for its purchases of grain, the speaker declared that board had purchased wheat first (60,000,000 bushels) in October of 1929 and again in November 1930 and that by July 1, in November 1930 and that by July 1, 1931 the organization will have purchased more than 200,000,000 bushels which will be stored throughout the country. He declared that by the purchase of wheat much of the \$500,000,000 farm board appropriation has been distributed back through the farmer and the communities in which he lives, thus averting further crisis.

No Buying After July 1

No Buying After July 1 The board, realizing that continued buying of grain above market prices and storing at a rate of 1½ cents per bushel per month does not bring sound conditions, will take no further hand in stabilization by buying after July 1, he declared, but, is pledged to hold the present purchase until such time as it can be released

1930 on carrying charge differences between cash and future grains. Competition of the Farmers National Grain corporation was credited by the speaker with having eliminated the costly embargoes of the previous year.

The Farmers National Grain corporation was declared by the speaker to be the largest grain marketing organization in the world and between July 1, 1930 and March 1, 1931 the C., secretary-treasurer of the National Cooperative Council. Nils A. Olsen, Washington, D. C., chief of the bureau of agricultural economics, will analyze the foreign agricultural communications. tributed back through the 51 organitives.

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The possibilities of adjusting production to demand through cooperatives to the deadth through cooperative to the deadth through the deadth throu branches, has three options, Mr. Mc-

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> Carryover Wrecks Prices The difference between production and domestic consumption, plus the changes brought in the export mar-ket by Russia's move and the heavy tariff in foreign countries (1.62 per bushel in Germany, 85 cents per bushel in Italy, 54 cents in France and tariff free only in Great Britain) was blamed by Mr. McKelvie for the March over has played havoc with prices, he declared.

cash, of storing for call, or of enter-

In conclusion, the speaker pointed out that Nebraska has made a 12 percent reduction in acreage, North (continued on page 2)

BROOM TO BROADCAST OVER WIBW, TOPEKA

Charles Broom, Manager of the Farmers Union Mutual Insurance Companies, Salina, will be the principal speaker during Farmers Union Hour, which will be heard from station WIBW, Topeka, Friday night, May 8th, at eight o'clock.

This feature is broadcast regularly. This feature is broadcast regularly each Friday night at eight o'clock from this station

REFERENDUM BALLOTS MUST BE IN BY MAY 9th

All referendum ballots must be received at State headquarters not later than Saturday night, May 9th.

The Executive Board of the Kansas Farmers Union will meet in Salina on Monday, May 11th, at which time they will be counted.

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SALINA, KANSAS, THURSDAY, MAY 7, 1931



FORGOTTEN BENEFITS

In another column of the paper, there is a news item telling about the delivery of 36 million bushels of wheat to the stabilization corporation.

This is probably the largest single delivery ever made in this country on a future contract. The stabilization operations of the Farm Board will end with the present crop season.

These operations have been cussed and discussed but in our opinion they have saved many thousands of farmers and business men, from bankruptcy. One of the partners in the great financial house of J. P. Morgan is quoted as saying:

"Eighteen of the nineteen partners in this House had not foreseen the slump which came about eighteen months ago, but the country was saved from a panic by the Farm Board. If the price had not been maintained by government purchase there would have been such a decrease of security that banks would have failed and carried other bbanks with them. The country can well afford to pay the cost of purchasing the wheat surplus in order to avoid a financial crisis, which probably would have made the recent slump the worst that has ever occurred in this country."

The Topeka Capital says in an editorial, May 1st: "The stabilization efforts of last fall and winter are now widely reprehended, yet when they occurred even grain dealers hailed the action of the board precisely in the terms used by the Morgan partner quoted two or three persons removed by Billy Morgan. They saved a sagging market at a precarious juncture and were credited with saving scores of country banks likewise.

Now that the time has come to pay losses on the wheat purchases, the critical situation at that time is forgotten and the Farm Board is condemned for "monkeying" with economic laws. But the wheat losses probably will be much less than would have been visited upon the country from Prairie Center to Wall street, had the market been permitted to crash six months ago."

A. M. K.

WE NEED AN HONEST DOLLAR

Many of us are paying interest-and sometimes a little on the principal -on debts contracted when dollars were cheap. Now dollars are dear. That means we are paying back a dollar and a half or two dollars for every dollar we borrowed.

This increased burden affects the farmer not only as an individual borrower but also as a tax-payer. Many taxing districts sold bonds during the high times. As a result of the fall in the price level, these districts are paying back more dollars than they borrowed. The farmer's overhead is therefore increased in two ways. In taxes and in interest, the farmer is paying through the nose for the failure of the country to provide an honest dollar.

Older people can remember when we went through this same experience, forty years ago. The price level went down steadily; business and agriculture were hurt; folks were compelled to pay back more than they had borrowed simply because of the change in the value of the dollar. That period of deflation came to an end not because of the exercise of social intelligence, but because some people stumbled onto gold deposits in South Africa.

Do we have to wait for help until some prospector runs across some new outcroppings of gold-bearing ore? We don't need to. A dozen distinguished bankers and economists have proposed sensible plans for stabilizing the value of the dollar. Any one of these plans, if approved by an international conference of central bank heads, could pull us out of the slump in short order.

The obvious first step is for President Hoover to call an international conference of this sort. To stabilize the price level at a point half way between the high times of 1919 and the low times of today would be the biggest immediate aid that could be given in ending the present world-wide depression .- Editorial in Wallace Farmer.

BROUGHT IT ABOUT

We have always had a flucuating currency in the U.S. which fluctuation has been brought about by the increasing and decreasing of its volume With an increased volume, we have always had high commodity prices, and Board were explained and all present seemed to express an attitude of prosperous times. With decreased volume we have had low commodity favoritism to the end that our farmers and producers might ultimately get prices, scarcity of money and hard times.

For some reason, really unknown to me, Congress never has passed any price levels.

law governing the volume of money in circulation. They have delegated that power to the National Banks, and the banks have proceeded to manipulate the volume of money to suit their own interest. It appears to have been their desire to have periods of high volume money in circulation, good times, getting the people into debt, and then by reducing the volume of money in circulation, and thereby forcing commodity prices down, compel people to pay their debts, when it takes twice the amount of commodity to pay the debt than it would have taken ta the time when the debt was made.

During the late world war, the volume of money was increased to a very high point. Commodity prices were very high, and for once the price of labor kept pace with commodity prices, and when the banks reduced the volume of money, thereby forcing commodity prices down; organized labor refused to come down, and the manufacturers, by means of the protective tariff, and restricted emigration laws, were able to hold their commodity prices up to the high money volume standard, but the farmer was not able to so protect himself, for by reason of having a little surplus, he is forced to sell on the open world market, and must take open world market prices for his product, such prices being governed by the volume of money in circulation. The United States being the dominant nation financially, money in the United States dominates the world.

Now the farmers may cooperate all they wish. They may sell as a unit, they may buy as a unit, they may do business just as if they were one man, but that will not bring them the prosperity that they are looking for and are entitled to.

There are two things, either one of which will restore their equality. Either the volume of money must be increased until farm commodity prices are on a par with the price of labor, or the price of labor and salaries must be brought down to the price of farm commodities. The price of farm commodities are now at the price where, if labor was in line, a pair of overalls or a work shirt could be bought retail for 50 cents, a pair of shoes for \$1.25. But the person who manufactures overalls, shirts or shoes cannot pay from four to six dollars a day for his labor and sell his product at the price mentioned. Neither can the manufacturer of binders sell their machines, retail for \$115.00 as they should, to be on par with the present condition of farmers, and pay their labor what they are paying today, and at the same time pay their officers the salary that they are receiving. It would be a hard fight for the farmer to force the manufacturer and laborer ...Osborne, Kansas down to the farmer's level. I think that it would be much easier to bring the farmer up to their level. All that is necessary to bring the farmers out of their present condition, to the level of the other fellow is to increase the volume of money in circulation, until the price of a day's work in the factory will not buy any more of the necessities of life than a farmer can produce in one day. Under present conditions, a laborer can take the price of one day's work and buy all that a farmer can produce in a week. A congressman can take the price of one year's salary and buy all that a farmer can produce in fifteen years.

R. LONG, Walnut, Kans.

EXEMPTING PERSONAL PROPERTY FROM TAXATION

In The Kansas Union Farmer of April 23rd there is editorial mention of the advisability of exempting personal property from taxation. It seems almost inconceivable that this unfair, unreasonable, and one sided proposition should be favored by farmers, or by anyone with a sense of justice.

1. We owe our grocer for the food he furnishes us. We owe our dry goods merchant for the clothing he furnishes us. We owe our doctor for the service he renders us. We recognize at once that a man who tries to escape these debts is a dead beat, a thief. But our Government renders to great gigantic combines that are working in direct opposition to the very all of us a greater service than does the grocer or the clothier or the doctor or any other. The Government furnishes to all protection to life and property, it very greatly encourages all business, it builds roads for all, it regulates all business and intercourse, it guards the public health of all, it provides schools for the education of all. Hence all owe to the Government the debt of taxes to support the Government. To exempt any industry or any class of property is rank favoritism, is gross injustice. The service of the Government is for all. There are no exemptions.

2. If the proposition was to give an EQUAL exemption to all of \$500 or \$1000, it would be fair. But to exempt all personal property means great favoritism to those whose investments are largely or entirely in personal property.

3. Exempting one man's \$100,000 of goods (personal property), and another man's \$100,000 of securities (personal property), and another man's \$100,000 of livestock (personal property), and making another man with \$100,000 of real estate pay all the taxes for all four men is a rank violation of the tax principle that all should pay taxes in proportion to

4. The Golden Rule says that we should do unto others as we would that others should do unto us. How would the men whose wealth is invested in personal property like to have all real estate exempted from taxation, and have all the tax burden fall on personal property?"

5. In 1928 total Kansas property bore taxes in proportion to the fol lowing assessment (11th Biennial Report of Tax Department, Pg. 497):

..... 46% Farm real estate City real estate ... - 18% Personal property 21% Public Service Corporations 15%

100%

If personal property were exempted in Kansas, then about 20% of the total property would be exempted 80% of Kansas property would have to

the share that belongs to personal property? JOHN FROST.

AT STRATEGIC MOMENT An Iowa farmer writes: "I think you should watch the adjustments in tariff rates which are going on. Recently, I noticed the president lowered the rates on pigskin, maple sugar and some other farm product, whereas

he raised the rates on woven wire which the farmers use. Please watch this tariff adjusting and keep the farmers posted as to how it goes." It is curious how many folks have the delusion that the tariff will some

adjustments which thus far have been made have been somewhat against the farmer rather than for him. One of these days, however, the tariff will suddenly be increased on some farm product like butter or eggs. Farm leaders who have been yelling for the increase will point to it with great leaders who have been yelling for the increase will point to it with great pride, and politicians will try to make capital out of it. We may expect several increases of this sort at a stragetic moment some time in 1932, Personally, I don't see how the American farmer can ever get any good out of a tariff as long as he has an exportable surplus. The butter and egg folks have occasionally gained for a short time from a tariff, but the net effect has been to bring about such an increase in butter and egg production as to bring trouble to butter and egg farmers just like everybody else.

HENRY A. WALLACE in Wallace Farmer.

The President's Column

By CAL. A. WARD

M'KELVIE'S ADDRESS FAVORABLY RECEIVED

Former Governor Sam R. McKelvie, member Feberal Farm Board, de livered a splendid address to more than five hundred farmers and townsmen, at Masonic Temple, Salina, Friday, May 1st. The occasion of Mr. McKelvie's coming was the special stockholders' meeting of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association which had met to revise, amend and change certain parts of the Constitution and by-laws. These changes were necessary in order that our program might be adjusted in accordance with the wishes of the Federal Farm Board and the Farmers National Grain Corporation.

Mr. McKelvie arrived in Salina at 7:30 A. M. from Washington. THE ECONOMIC CONDITION OF THE FARMERS, AND WHAT reception committee from the Farmers Union Jobbing Association met our guest at the train and immediately following, an eight o'clock breakfast was served at which more than thirty Salina business men and leaders of the Kansas Farmers Union attended.

At this breakfast, the purposes and workings of the Federal Farm worth while and beneficial results reflected in higher farm commodity

In Mr. McKelvie's address, at eleven o'clock, he discussed the present MANSAS UNION FARMED wheat situation, including the world wide surpluses that have accumulated in the last few years, because of tremendous expansion in the wheat territory. He voiced his sentiment in favor of acreage reduction and that ultimately the farmer would bring his production in line with present day requirements. It was apparent that he has an open mind as to how this should be brought about on an equitable basis. He discussed in detail the stabilization feature of the bill, and how this corporation will cease activities on July 1st. It will be remembered that the stabilization feature of the Marketing Act is an emergency measure and most farmers agree that the stabilization of wheat cannot continue indefinitely in face of over production and an accumulation of stocks. It was brought out that five hundred millions of dollars had been appropriated to be used by the Farm Board and that wheat only represented about one eighth of the value of all farm commodities.

Mention was made of the fact that because of the recent stabilization program, the country was saved from further financial ruin and that business in general received direct benefits. Even though the stabilization corporation incurs heavy losses in its operation, no one should take exception to a program that attempts to bring better prices for these commodities, thus stabilizing business in general.

The Farmers National Grain Corporation was held in the limelight and many believe that because of its activities in furnishing a ready market at all times, that the relative price of wheat in 1930 was raised from seven to ten cents per bushel.

The Farmers National Grain Corporation of which our Mr. C. E. Huff is President, was declared to be the largest grain marketing organization in the world and between July 1st, 1980 and March 1st, 1931, the organization sold one hundred and twelve million bushels of wheat and made profits of \$667,000, which is the property and belongs to the hundreds of thousands of farmers in the fifty-one organizations sharing in the corporation. Substantial reserves are being set up out of these profits to carry on the various branches of its program.

Mr. McKelvie stressed the necessity of the farmers themselves co-operating and getting in possession of their marketing program. This is made possible by the help derived from the Farm Board and the revolving fund. Constructive Building

During this meeting in Salina, some of our state-wide Boards were in session. The Farmers Union and state and local business activities were discussed. It was unanimously agreed that the existence of the Farmers Union with its thousands of members is fundamental and that if we expect to keep ourselves in a position where our influence can be felt in its relation to better agricultural conditions and the general economic structure of our whole country, then we must maintain, first of all, our membership and constantly strive for additional members until the farmers of the country are organized in such numbers that we can justly and fully realize the benefits of our efforts.

We are making a special appeal to every local and to every individual

member to cooperate, as we know you will, in this program.

Our program is largely voluntary. We pay our dues because we believe in the organization and its possibilities. We are class conscious in this. The time was when we stressed, primarily, the rebates that we hoped to receive at the end of the year. This is fine, but is secondary. We must Dear Mr. Kinney: must think in terms of boys and girls, who, after all, will be the men and women of tomorrow. We must realize that if agriculture and farming are to be and remain fundamental in this country, that we must cooperate in making it so. The love of many to the standard of th making it so. The love of money and the greed for wealth have developed life and existence of our farmers. And will our farmers see the light and

associate themselves in organizations to combat this destroying influence?

The Kansas Farmers Union has, for many years, and is today, fighting the battles of the Kansas farmers. Again we ask the thousands of our membership who have not already paid their dues, to get in touch with your local secretaries and pay them now. We ask county and local officials to take up this question and get action. We have hundreds in our or skin. ganization who are living examples of loyalty. You will get your reward by continuing in leadership in your various communities.

The State organization desires to reach all sections of the state that are interested. We ask you to write in and tell us the situation in your County or community. We court your helpfulness and cooperation in increasing our loyalty and interest in the organization and by your help, we xpect to CARRY ON, comparable to available finance and your support.

> The Insurance Corner By CHARLES A BROOM, Secretary

At our special meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday, May 2, Mr. W. J. Prescott was appointed to fill the vacancy on the Board, caused by the death of our late President, Mr. C. C. Kilian. Mr. W. J. Spencer, who has served since February. 1930 as Vice President, was elected President on the farm board, which deals by the death of our late President, Mr. C. C. Kilian. Mr. W. J. Spencer, who has served since February, 1930 as Vice President, was elected President, and Mr. C. C. Cole of Levant was chosen as Vice President. Arthur Glessner of Bison was placed on the Executive Committee.

At this meeting, Mr. H. E. Witham, manager of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association, presented his resignation to the Board. The resignation was accepted, but it was decided to wait until the annual meeting in

January, 1932, to fill this vacancy.

During the first four months of this year, our premium income fell declared. short of last year's business by about \$1900.00, but we have reduced our pay 100% of the taxes. Then real estate would have to bear one-fourth losses \$17,000.00 in the same period, so our net result on the four months more tax. Is not real estate bearing enough tax now without taking on operation is approximately \$15,000.00 better than last year. We are writing about 100 more policies in April than last year, so the amounts written in the policy are considerably less. We presume there are at least two causes for the reductions. First, hard times and tight money. Many farmers find for the reductions. First, hard times and tight money. Many farmers find facts, relative to the Farm Board's problem. From the year 1910 to can be converted into cash without a great financial sacrifice. Second, the natural depreciation of farm buildings and cheaper prices being received States increased 33½%. Wheat production for that same period instances of the second states increased 33½%. INCREASES IN TARIFFS ON FARM PRODUCTS TO BE MADE themselves entirely divested of anything resembling money or anything that for livestock, grain and other personal property.

The reductions on the present policies as compared with former policies are in line with the reductions in values. Our trouble as a rule has been under insurance rather than over insurance, except for a few isolated cases. On under insurance, we do not have sufficient premium to pay partial losses, day be used to help farmers. I am not at all surprised that most of the and this latter class constitute a large percentage of our losses. We ask adjustments which thus far have been made have been somewhat against all our people to insure for at least 50 per cent of the actual cash value of wheat production is maintained as

WHEAT MARKET

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SLIGHTLY FIRMER

Domestic wheat markets strengthened during the week ending May 2 with prospects of increased takings by deficit areas and unfavorable spring seeding conditions in the American and Canadian Northwest more than offsetting the weakening influence of the favorable outlook for domestic winter wheat, according to the Weekly Grain Market Review of the United States Bureau of Agricultural Economics. Feed grain were weak and lower reflecting the slackaged decrease to 25 per cent in the propor-

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United States Bureau of Agricultural Economics. Feed grain were weak and lower, reflecting the slackened demand as a result of improved pasturage and unsatisfactory returns from dairy and poultry products. Rye continued weak but the moderate offerings of flax were readily taken at steady prices.

become more active with a further increase to 25 per cent in the proportion of foreign wheat allowed in milling mixtures. A reduction in the German import tariff is in prospect which would tend to increase takings of foreign wheat by that country. A new law effective April 1 requires the German government to prevent any deen,

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wheat or continues to make favorable progress and is now jointing in southern and western Kansas with the second joint appearing in some fields.

Private estimates at the first of May averaged around 10,000,000 bushels over the April 1 official forecast.

Spring wheat seeding on the other hand continued to be retarded by dry weather and unfavorable soil conditions. High winds have already dried out the limited moisture received in germination and growth of the crop.

Conditions in Europe are more seasonable and spring work and seeding are now proceeding rapidly although still backward. Growth has been somewhat retarded by cool weather.

of foreign wheat by that country. A new law effective April 1 requires the German government to prevent any interests, never doing things that are primarily not designed to be beneficial to the farmer. They do not intentionally injure any-body. Their intention is to help the farmer and they are trying to do not intentionally injure any-body. Their intention is to help the farmer and they are trying to do not intentionally injure any-body. Their intention is to help the farmer and they are trying to do not intentionally injure any-body. Their intention is to help the farmer and they are trying to do not intentionally injure any-body. Their intention is to help the farmer and they are trying to do not intentionally injure any-body. Their intention is to help the farmer and they are trying to do not intentionally injure any-body. Their intention is to help the farmer and they are trying to do not intentionally injure any-body. Their intention is to help the farmer and they are trying to a trive wheat were recovered to a private and they are trying to a private and they ar

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RED CLOVER, \$10; Alsike, \$10; Alfalfa, \$8; White Sweet Clover, \$3.90; Timethy, \$4.50; Mixed Alsike and Timothy, \$5.50; Yellow Soy Beans, \$1.50; Sudas Grass \$3.40; Amber Cane, \$1.25; all perbushel, Bags free, Samples and eatalox upon request. STANDARD SEED CO., 21 East Fifth St., Kansas City, Missouri. 21 East Fifth St., Kansas City, Missouri.

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Pepper mossed and labeled Chinese Glant, Bull Nose, Ruby King, Red Cayenne Postpaid: 100, 75c; 200, \$1.00; 500, \$2.00; 1,000, \$3.50.

Pento Rico and Nancy Hall Potate Plants Postpaid: 500, \$1.75; 1,000, \$6.00; \$000, \$1.25; 50, full count, prompt shipment, sate arrival, satisfaction guaranteed.

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Hardy types \$7.00, \$9.00, \$11.00; Grimm
variety alfalfs. \$12.00 \$14.00; 316.00.
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A LETTER FROM NORTH DAKOTA

Dickinson, N. Dak., April 24, 1981. Mr. A. M. Kinney, Editor, Kansas Union Farmer,

from your paper and your pen for ma-terial and for this we wish to thank you very much.

The Kansas Union Farmer is al-

With very best regards to you and to Mrs. Riley, I am

Fraternally yours, GLADYS TALBOUT EDWARDS. Mrs. Gevald Edwards, 106-7th Ave. West, Dickinson, N. Dak.

McKELVIE URGES REDUCTION OF WHEAT ACREAGE IN U. S.

(continued from page 1)

Dakota a 15 percent reduction and that Colorado and other states are falling in line.

The former Nebraska governor dewith the problems of 30,000,000 farm people upon 6,000,000 farms. He will serve until July 1, this year, completing two years, whereas he agreed to serve only one year at the beginning. The next and not the present genera-tion will reap the greatest benefits of

that the federal farm board does not dominate the policies of the cooperative marketing groups, but is in co-operation with them.

Mr. McKelvie read some interesting duction for that same period increased only 30 percent but the domestic use of wheat increased but 15 percent. In other words, consumption did not keep up with the increase in population or production. Our current wheat surplus averages two hundred million bushels. If our wheat production is maintained as

"I am not saying we will get entirely out of the export market. We should not place ourselves in a position to be dependent on it. We must reduce our carry overs that have shown for the last 5 that have shown for the last 5 years. We are not criticising the farmer for that. It has come on him unconsciously. I know what you are going to do when I ride down this beautiful valley and see the acres of alfalfa that is not more than one or two or three weeks away from the harvest. You are going to find profit and more profits in other things than you are in growing such large you are in growing such large acreages of wheat as have been

grown.
In the Federal Farm Board you have an agency operating to your interests, never doing things that



Junior Cooperators Aunt Patience

HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THIS DEPARTMENT Any boy or girl between the ages of six and sixteen, whose father is a member in good standing of the Farmers' Union, who writes a letter for publication, can be a member of this department, and is entitled to a pin. In order to receive a book, he must signify his 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.

Osawatomie, Kans., April 21, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: How are you since I wrote to you last time? I am fine. I am going to school every sent in my essay till now. I have been very busy with my school studies every day and never thought about it. I took the examinations at the end of the year and I think I got along fine in them. Some were hard and one or two were easy. It toko three subjects. They were Kansas history, geography, and physiology or health habits, which means just the same. It rained all day yesterday but Osawatomie, Kans., April 21, 1931. Dear Jennie: We're glad to welcome you as a new member of our Club and I'll send your book and pin this week. You forgot to tell us your birthday date. Aunt Patience. same. It rained all day yesterday but today the wind is blowing and it is real cool. I sure wish the sun would come out and dry the mud up. Sure glad I got first prize with Kathleen G.Rudolph. She wrote to me the other day. School is out now and I sure am glad of it.

Well, as my letter is long, will ose.
Your niece,
Ferne Barrett.

Norton Kansas, April 23, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: I have read your column so much and liked it so well that I thought I would join.

I was in the sixth grade but passed to the seventh. Our school was out April 17.

I once lived in Detroit, Michigan, but moved to Kansas January 13, 1980. I sure like it in Kansas. I sure like hills and clouds, don't you? I am 11 years old and my birthday is October 24. I hope I have a twin.

Will you please send me a book and pin? I will send in my lessons.
Hoping my letter will be in the paper, I will close.

Velma May Culberet. Care Joe Bard, Norton, Kansas.

fish. I can't think of any more.

P. S.: I will study my lesson.

Miss Ruth Paulson, R. R.

Pleasanton Kans., April 23, 1931. Dear Aunt Patience: In the last is-

sue of the Kansas Union Farmer you

dress is not McPherson. I am sure that you made a mistake. My address

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7156. Girls' Middy Dress
Designed in Sizes: 6, 8, 10 and
12 years. An 8 year size requires 3 yards of 35 inch material (for both Middy and Shirt).
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Designed in Sizes: 84, 86, 88, 40 and 42 inches bust measure.

Dear Velma May: You're almost my twin—as my birthday is just one day before yours. We're glad you like Kansas—we native Kansans think it is the nicest state in the Union, you knew! I'll send your book and pin this week—write us again and let me know when you find your "twin". Aunt Patience.

Menlo, Kansas, April 23, 1931. Dear Aunt Patience: I am sending in my March lesson now. I wolud have sent it in before only I was so busy studying for the examinations.
Our school is out May 22. It would have been out the 16th of May but the blizzard came and we missed a week. It is snowing now. It seems to join your club.

Yours truly,

Emil Deines. week. It is snowing now. It seems pretty late for snow. I have not found my twin yet. My birthday is the 23rd of July. I do not understand how you Dear Emil: I wish you could get a bunch to join the Club—it would be more fun for you that way, too. For each new member whom you ask to join, and who joins, you get a star after your name on the Membership Roll. I'll send your pin and book this week—write us again.

Aunt Patience. find a twin. Is it in the same menth or is it the same date?

In Sunday school our class chose sides. I was one of the choosers. My side lost so our side has to give the other side a party.

Well I guess I will close and start Your niece.

on my lesson. Ethelyn Grover. P. S.: I will try to get in al lmy lessons from now on.

Dear Ethelyn: A "real" twin is supposed to have the same birthday date as your own—month and date. For instance, yours should be born on July 23rd. But until you find someone whose birthday is just the same, it's nice to write to someone who was born in the same month, or someone whose letter specially interests you. And even after you find your twin, you can keep on writing to other Club Members, you know Write and tell us about the party.

Aunt Patience.

Walnut, Kans., April 24, 1931.
Route No. 1.
Dear Aunt Patience: I have read many of the letters of your paper and I finally decided to join. I'm 11 years old and I'm in the 7th grade. I took of the read and I was a reminerations April 18. I the diploma examinations April 18. I hope I pass. My birthday is Feb. 11. Have I a twin? Please send me a book Your friend, Margaret Westhoff. Care Leo Westhoff.

Dear Margaret: I'm glad to put your name on our embership roll and I hope you'll like being a member of our Club. You must watch the paper for your twin —some day I'm going to publish a list of all the names and birthday dates I have on file here—write us soon again. Aunt Patience.

Collyer, Kans., April 24, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: How are you?

I am o. k. I would like to join your Club. My father is a member of the Farmers Union. I am 12 years old and in the seventh grade. I have a dog named Pat for a pet. Please send me my book and pin. me my book and pin.

Yours very truly,
Quentin T. Strodal.

P. S.: My birthday is Feb. 3rd.

Dear Quentin: I'm fine, too, thanks, and so glad you've decided to become a member of the Junior Cooperators. Your bok and pin will be sent very soon. "Pat" bis a nice name for a dog, I think—let is a nice name for a dog, I think—let us know when you find your twin.

Aunt Patience,

Maple Hill, Kans. April 23, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: I didn't reesive my bock and pin yet.

Our school is out tomorrow. I wish re could have nine month. We are go-

gram.
I haven't found my twin yet.
Your friend,
Mary Fauerbach.

A 88 inch size requires 3% yards of material 82 inches wide. For facing of contrasting material % yard 32 inches wide is required, cut lengthwise. To finish with bias-binding requires 4% yards 1% inch wide. Price 15c. Dear Mary: When did you write for your look and pin? I don't remember having received a letter from you before, when is your birthday? Write and tell wis about the program. Your book and pin will be sent this week. Aunt Patience.

is Gloria Thomas, Box 35, R. R. No. 2, Pleasanton, Kansas.

I am sorry this all happened but you probably could not help it. So please send my book and pin to Pleasanton, Kansas,

I certainly enjoy reading the Kansas Union Farmer. I enjoy the Junior Cooperators better when you answer each letter. I certainly will be glad when school is out. I am getting so tired that I don' know what o do. I am 14 years old and my birthday is March 11. Have I a twin? I hope

I guess that I will close. Sincerely, Gloria Thomas.

Dear Gloria: I'm so sorry about the mistake in your address—and I'll send the book and pin to you this week, at Pleasanton. When you find your twin, be sure to let me know. Aunt Patience.

Ransom, Kans., April 23, 1931. dren ha Dear Aunt Patience: How are you? am fine. If hope you are the same. stance: I saw in the paper one girl whose birthday is the 4th day of May. Is that near enough together to be

It rained here last night and today it is still raining. I got my sister. Anna, to join our Club. I will be in the 6th grade next year.

My letter is getting long so I will Yours truly, Elfrieda Lutters.

Dear Elfrieda: Yes, I think you and the girl whose hirthday is May 4th could be twins, at least until yos find one whose birthday fate is exactly the same. You can be sort of substitute twins, you knew. And, when you do find your "real" twins, I hope you'll continue writing. Congratulations on getting a new member. Please write again.

Aunt Patience. Rydal, Kansas, April 23, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: I have written to you twice for a book and a pin, but have never received them. I am anxious to get them. I wish you would Aunt Patience.

send them as soon as you can. My mother and father both belong to the Dear Ferne: I'm well, thank you, and I've been wondering how you were. I'm glad you got along well in your examinations and I'd like to congratulate you on your winning first place, with Kathleen. It always makes me happy to hear that you write each other, for I want you all to become friends, as well as just you all to become friends, as well as just members of the same Club.

Aunt Patience.

Indicater both belong to the Farmers Union, I have been having a bad cold. I hope you are well. I will be in the sixth grade next year. I am just fine. I am in the seventh of July. Have I a twin? Our school My birthday is June 20th. I am elevented was out April 18. Your niece, was out April 18. Your niece, ing our letters together. Please send was a book and pin. ing our letters together. Please send me a book and pin. Yours truly, Anna Lutters.

Dear Anna: We're glad to make you a member of the Junior Cooperators and we hope you'll like being one, as much as we like having you. Let me know when you find your twin.

Aunt Patience.

Clyde, Kansas April 22, 1931.

Dea Aunt Patience: My bithday is April 39th. I will be 10 years old. I want to join the club. Please send me a book and pin. Our school is out. It was out last Friday.

For a pet I have a dog, his name is Teddy. Next year I will be in the 5th grade. Florence, my sister, and I went fishing, but we didn't catch any For a pet I have a dog, his name is Teddy. Next year I will be in the 5th grade. Florence, my sister, and I went fishing, but we didn't catch any is going to give a play this coming
Friday. The name of the play is
"Ducks". We have just gotten some
new curtains for our stage. Our professor's name is Mr. Mohr. I would

The vote to strike out the followThe vote to strike out the follow-Dear Ruth: I'm so glad you've decided to join our Club—wouldn't Florence like to become a member, too? I like to like to hear fom somebody my age. It is to go fishing, too—but I like to catch some fish when I go. Write again soon and let us know when you find your twins.

Aunt Patience.

Collyer, Kans., April 23, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: I want to join your Club so please send me your pin and note-book. I also promise to send in the lessons. What do the members in the lessons. What do the members get for getting new members? I you were never going to write to me again.—I hope you can keep up the lessons, now. I think it's lots of fun to play baseball. Why don't you write someone whose letter you think interesting—that way, you don't need to wait until you find a "twin". Please write soon again.

Aunt Patience.

P. S.: I am 13 years old. Answer

My father is a member of the Farmers Union club. Please send me a pin and book. I will try to get my lessons

Well, I must close for this time for it is getting late. Yours truly, Robert Dreher.

Dear Robert: Did Irene ask you to join the Club? If she did, you know she has earned a "star" after her name. We're glad to have you as a new member—you'll receive your pin and book very soon. said that my book and pin had been returned from McPherson. Aunt Pa-tience, I am awfully sorry but my ad-Aunt Patience.

> Tescott, Kans., April 4, 1931.
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> Dear Aunt Patience: I have not written to you for a long time so vill as I am sending my lesson in. I have not found my twin yet, my birthday is the third of September. We have many fittle calves. They have white faces.
>
> Your friend,

Leila Leive.

Care of Peter Sauer.

Dear Celestin: We're so glad you wish to become a member of the Junior Coperators. Have you found your twin yet!

Aunt Patienee.

Codell, Kans., April 14, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: How are you getting along? I am getting along fine. How did you like the snowy weather? I have a little baby brother. His name is Lawrence Herbert. He does not say your much I am glad

Care of P. N. Roheder.

Ladies' Auxiliary

We promised you some suggestions each month for your program in Local and County Auxiliary work. Now that the rural schools are out and high schools soon will be, it would be life. In addition to that you might fine if your programs would include try:
things of interest to the Juniors.

Ist. Have members bring clippings of things of interest to the meetings. Have the Juniors and all of the children of the neighborhood at your meetings planning your program so they can have a part in it and see dren of the neighborhood at your meetings planning your program so they can have a part in it and see to it that the things you have them do tend toward the development of the cooperative idea.

Don't make your programs too long but in the parts assigned to the chil-dren have a dfeinite idea in mind and see that it is carried out. For in-

If you have a paper to read, or are to discuss "The benefits of Cooperation" have that bright-eyed child of yours or some neighbor's child make your paper more effective by giving a short reading along the same line of thought immediately following your paper or discussion. A little previous work on your part will help get the idea across to that child that you need their help to do this will give them the consciousness of helping you make your paper or discussions. The more you dig into this the more interesting it will be (this 7th suggestion). Try it.

Please send all papers and clippings used in your local or county give them the consciousness of helping you make your paper or discussion effective and will serve a two-fold purpose, first, the child will absorb the ideas and become interested in your part of the program, seconding the very fact that it is conscious of Department.

2nd. Each Auxiliary should take definite steps to develop the Junior

Department. 3rd. In procuring subjects for discussion you can find some good material in this paper covering a range of subjects we are all interested in.

4th. Is there any limit to the application of Comparation?

plication of Cooperation?

5th. What is necessary to develop "Leadership"?

6th. What is the difference between

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to others.

TEMPLIN LOCAL NO. 1891

Meeting was opened by singing "America" and "Yankee Doodle".
Seven members responded to roll call. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A card of appreciation from Mrs. Carrie Bock and children was received and read before the Union.

A motion was made, seconded and

A motion was made, seconded and carried that the membership of Temp-

ing words from division B, Article II, Sec. II. (14 for —0)

To insert and should any local re-

Dear Donald: I had begun to think shall have power to suspend such member, after the word Local in the w Div. C. Article I, Sec. 13. (12 10) To add as subdivision C under Div. C, Article II, Sec. 4 the following: Every local Secretary-Treasurer shall during the month of December of each and every year send a written notice which can be secured from the Grainfield, Kans., April 8, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: I am in the 4th grade. I go to East Big Creek school. I am 9 years old. My birthday in Time 16, 1931.

Inc. 16, 1931. owing. And provided further, that the State Secretary shall send a like notice to all members at large.

The Social Committee for the May meeting was appointed as follows: W.

R. Jimmermann, chairman; H. A. Simonton, Ernest Adams and Albert

local now has over forty members.

Tuesday held meeting northwest of Belleville at Freedom schoolhouse.

Elevator project at Belleville—six agreed to take shares. In meantime drive from house to house on elevator program and general organization work. Likewise Wednesday and Thursday afternoon drove to Salina.

Thursday afternoon in company with Mr. Wells drove to Minneapolis Friday night Ottawa county meeting. Dear Lella: Eve missed your letters—I suppose your school work has kept you very busy. I'm sure, if you keep watching, that your twin will appear soon—why don't you choose someone whose hirthday is near yours, until you find your "real" twin? Aunt Patience.

Antonio, Kans., April 15, 1931.

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Dear Aunt Patience: I am 8 years of age and I am in the 3rd grade and am going to Our Lady of Help School.

My teacher's name is Sister M. Dividica. I walk to school, I have about a mile to go. My birthday is September 20th. I would like to join the Farmers Union Club. Please send me a book and a pin. Your fried,

Celestin Sauer.

Care of Peter Sauer.

Care of Peter Sauer.

Description: We're so glad you wish to get the said company who now are ready to deliver gas and kerosene. On Friday had the pleasure of having former Gov. S. R. Mc-Kelvie of Lincoln, Mo., now a member of the Farm Board, discuss the Agricultural Marketing Act in his usual understandable language. Wish more could have heard him. I shall not take much space in this issue but Mr. and Mrs. Kansas Farmer I beg you and each of you that you at this time and Mrs. Kansas Farmer I beg you and each of you that you at this time cooperate with your servants in order that together we may forge ahead. Upon us rest the responsibility to place agriculture on a sound economic basis. Will see you in next week's

issue.
Wishing you prosperity in abund-Cooperatively, J. E. SHIPPS.

His name is Lawrence Herbert. He does not cry very much. I am glad after all that I joined the club. I can tell you lots of news. Aunt Patience. I wrote a letter to our Iowa joiner, but she did not answer it yet. I did not write for a long time, so I thought it was high time for me to write. I am answering the February lesson. It is an essay. The name is How can the Juniors best help their Local Union? This is all for tonight. I will close now. As ever a member of the Club.

Lorrine Roheder,

Care of P. N. Roheder.

Heading The Kansas Union Farmer:

In our paper of April 30 there is more good and needed information for the actual farmer than could be found in all of the daily papers printed in the United States in a whole year.

I have never read an article written by Andrew Shearer but that I can go to the rocords I have kept the past 41 years and prove what he says is the truth. Wish I could read some of his I have never read an article written by Andrew Shearer but that I can go to the records I have kept the past 41 years and prove what he says is the truth. Wish I could read some of his

Care of P. N. Roheder.

Dear Lorrine: I thought your essay was very good. Oh, aren't you lucky—to have a little baby brother? How old is he? Has our Iowa member answered by this time? It's been so long since you've written that I'd decided that you'd forgotten all about me. Don't wait so long next time.

Aunt Patience.

We, the dirt farmers, do not need to make up our minds whether we want them or not, because in reading this paper we find the gamblers on the board of trade, and the Unit-

ed States Chamber of Commerce, want them kicked out. That is enough. It proves we need them. I never have believed the board was anywhere near

all we need.

Hello, Union Members, especially of Woodson County. Please save your paper of April 30, then make a study of Trusts which are fostered by the tariff. Smiley Joins the Anvil Chorus. Smiley at the Bridge. Dealers Preparing a Campaign. One Big Family. S. M. Babbs Sees a Change. J. V. Boggs article. Let's all of us learn to talk on these questions, and be able to explain them to others.

Fraternally, S. C. Cowles, Gridley, Kansas.

CENTER LOCAL

Center Local No. 2143 Minneapolis, Kansas, met Wednesday night, April 29, with a good crowd in attendance. After a covered dish supper the meet-ing was called to order by the Pres-ident, Mrs. C. L. Rupert. The regular shall have power to suspend such order of business gone through and the amendments to constitution voted

Resolutions of sympathy were passed, ordered spread on the minutes and sent to Mrs. W. B. Gard and son. The following committee on refresh-ments were named for our next meeting time, viz., Mrs. Vern Johnson, Mrs. Harvey Ferguson and Miss Lenna Pierce. A very good program was then given and meeting adjourned to meet May 8th. MRS. W. H. NELSON, Sec'y.

EACH LOCAL SHOULD HAVE A REPORTER Waterville, Kans. April 23, 1931. M. Kinney,

Salina, Kansas Dear Mr. Kinney: I am writing you a few lines to let you know that we The meeting was adjourned after which a short program was enjoyed and lunch was served.

MRS. L. H. JOHNSON, Reporter.

Dear Cooperators:
Held meeting Monday, April 27th, Brantford One new member. This local now has over forty members.
Tuesday held meeting northwest of are having nice crowds at our meet-

> RATES GO DOWN

HOTEL BALTIMORE

Choice Rooms, \$2 to \$3

Good News-Kansas City's largest

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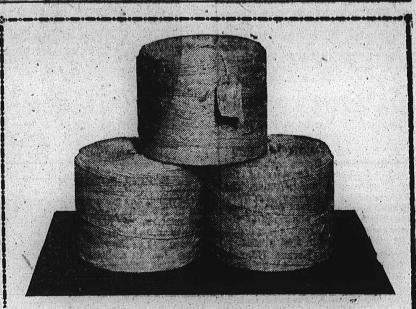
Protect Your Home and Other Property

Against All Hazards CALL THE NEAREST AGENT

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Lightning

SALINA, KANSAS Automobile Mercantile Wind Hail



PLACE YOUR ORDERS NOW FOR

Binder Twine

From present indications Kansas will use a large volume of twine this season. DEALERS should be prepared to fur-nish their customers with FARMERS UNION twine. Wheat growers in every part of the State should be able to buy this product in a Farmers Union Store or Elevator in his territory. Prices are right and the quality is guaranteed by The State of Kansas to meet all requirements of Standard

Place your orders NOW and be assured of satisfactory de-

The Farmers Union Jobbing Association

1140-46 Board of Trade

915 United Life Building Salina, Kansas

Branch Offices 1004 Corby Building St. Joseph, Mo.

Ship Often

With the warm weather setting in, it is essential that your cream be shipped often. This will preserve the quality and in these times of low price quality must be given first consideration.

Farmers Union Co-Operative Creamery Association

Kansas City, Mo.

Wakeeney, Kansas

Price List of Local Supplies

Application cards20 for 5c Credential blanks10 for 5c Dinit blanks15 for 10c Farmers Union Buttons 25c Ladies Auxiliary Pins......50c

Cash Must Accompany Order. This is Necessary to Save Expense in Postage and Labor.

WRITE A. M. KINNEY

Box 51, Salina, Kansas.

LIVE STOCK

Be a REAL Farmers Union member and market your live stock

YOUR OWN FIRM

Your own organization naturally will do more for you than some one not interested in you. You get your part of the profits returned to you from the Farmers Union firm.

Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Co.

G. W. Hobbs, Mgr.

Kansas City, Mo.

Stock Yards



EDNA SMITH

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES

(continued from page 1) the state and know exactly where, when they see what town, it would be more interesting. Another suggestion is that every Local in the state have a reporer and send in the happenings of the Locals. Maybe thereby some other Local may be able to get some help which would, of course, be greatly appreciated. By reading the articles from the different Locals it helps us to get better acquainted and thereby be of more help to each other. You can print these suggestions if you see fit,

JOHN I. TOMMER. Box 75, Rt. 2, Waterville, Kansas. President of Liberty Local No. 782.

NORTH STAR UNION NO. 1979 The North Star Union met with nice crowd present considering the rainy weather and muddy roads. The house was called to order by the president and meeting opened by singing.

Mrs. W. T. Nelson, chairman of the program committee, took charge and

the following program was given: Reading by Miss Lorane Hohner,
"A Sisterly Scheme"; song by Janice Winchester, "A Child's GoodNight", Mrs. Robert Winchester
playing the piano accompaniment.
Dr. F. W. Tretbar next gave a very interesting talk on his trip to Europe describing some of the most interesting places and happenings dur-

handling in a short time. Delicious refreshments were served in the basement during the social

The entertainment and refreshment committee for the month of May are Crawford, Joe Dale, C. A. Holmes, J. M. Dark, W. R. H. Buckle, and S. E. Blackburn. The next regular meeting will be May 8th, at the usual meeting place at 8 p. m.
MRS. HERVE PRENTICE,

Centennial Local No. 2096 meets the first Thursday of each month. May 7th is the next regular meeting date, and we expect to have Mr. E. L. Bullard with us as speaker for this meeting. Everybody come. F. C. FEUERBORN, President.

MRS. C. A. WATKINSON, Sec'y.

LIBERTY LOCAL NO. 782 Liberty Local Farmers Union No. Liberty Local Farmers Union No. 1882 of Waterville, Kansas, held its regular meeting April 22, with a fine crowd present. The meeting was opened by singing "America" erage per capita consumption of wheat in the United States is now about four and three fourths bushel, which is about one and one fourth bushel less per capita than it used to be. These crowd present. The meeting was op-ened by singing "America"

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The amendments and by-laws of the con-

tet are to prepare the program.
We adjourned to meet again May
27. Your attendance is desired.
MRS. JNO. TOMMER, Reporter.

COUNTY UNION The Cowley County Farmers Union met at Floral Monday night, April 27, in the Floral Community Hall with about 200 in attendance.

THREE FARMERS UNION AIDS

From time to time in the past, pictures of various members of the sales force and of the office force of the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Co. at Kansas City have appeared. Pictures of the different members of the board of drectors of the same firm also have appeared. In addition to that, The Co-Operator has been for-tunate in securing pictures of officers of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association and in the Farmers Union Co-

operative Creamery.

The list of pictures, however, has not been complete, and it is with a great deal of pleasure that we can offer in this issue the pictures of the three young ladies, who have a great deal of the important work to do in the office.

Miss Sophia Solomon has been with the firm several years, and has a great deal to do with the efficiency with which the work is handled. She



SOPHIA SOLOMON

has charge of the general stenographic work in the office, and it is due, in a large part, to her efficiency that the tion exists in Russia now as I have large part, to her efficiency that the accounts of sales and general correspondence get in the mails as promptly as they do. In addition to her other duties, Miss Solomon is a Notary Public, and she is glad to be of service in this capacity to Farmers Union is a Notary good idea about present conditions in Russia. customers whenever possible.

Farmers Union Cooperative Creamery, which everyone seems anxious to
have located at Stafford, and suggested those buying butter would try the
Farmers Union butter which Mr.
Honer has on sale, and which the
other merchants will probably be learning to the first of the year, has in that short time
made her services indispensible. She
is a most efficient stenographer and
secretary, and writes a large number
of letters to the various shippers,
keeping them advised as to market conditions-Cooperator.

> RIEDEL SEES UNDER CONSUMPTION AS CAUSE OF DEPRESSED AGRICULTURE

Wakeeney, Kans., April 24, 1931. Cal. A. Ward, Farmers Union President,

H. A. Berens, Marshall Co., Kansas, load steers Salina, Kans. Dear Sir: I still see in the Union paper that the only solution offered and suggested by the Farm Board and F. F. Bruening, Hendley, Nebraska, 1 load steers you leaders of the organized farmers is Cooperation and Curtailment of production. The question naturally Joe Coffman, Osage Co., Kansas, 2 loads steers. production. The question naturally arises is there an over-production, or is the over supply of what (for instance) caused by overproduction. We are told that the over supply of wheat began to accumulate in the year of 1927 and has kept on accumulating to the extent that in 1021 the carry over the extent that the e the extent that in 1931 the carry over J. Gordon McComb, Shawnee Co., Kansas, load steers..... of old wheat will be 250 to 275 mil- H. Paul Corke, Sheridan Co., Kansas, load steers..... lion bushels. We are also told the average per capita consumption of wheat figures show plainly that the over supply is caused by under consumption and by-laws of the constitution of the Farmers Union were brought up, explained and voted on. It was decided that Francis Blaser and Johnnie Winkinwader should visit Fred Winkinwader and find out what the Farmers Union members could do for him during his long illness.

It was voted on and carried that each member should at least get one new member. Let us all do our best, at the end of this drive an ice cream social is to be held.

This being all the business matters the following program was rendered:

Supply is caused by under consumption as it is consum, with the control of the farmers Union were being and not by over production as it is common knowledge that there has its common knowledge that there has been a great deal of industrial unemployment. L. D. Anderson, Riley Co., Kansas, load mixed yearlings.

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L. D. C. Ewing, Henry Co., Missouri, mixed yearlings.

L. C. Cleveland, St. Clair Co., Missouri, mi supply is caused by under consump-Livergood; 1-act play, Neva and Golding Cook; recitation, Laurence Tommer; solo, Marvin Mapes; recitation, Aaron Travelute. The program was closed by several selection by the Liberty Local sextet.

The eats committee then served cake, fruit salad, and coffee to the entire crowd, which was surely enjoyed. At our next meeting each member is to bring whatever, they please for the lunch.

The young men of the Liberty sextet are to prepare the program.

We adjourned to meet again May 27. Your attendance is desired.

MRS. JNO. TOMMER, Reporter. that everybody could have all they wanted to eat, the over-supply of food

would soon disappear.

The average wheat crop of the United States is not estimated as slight by over eight hundred million bushels with one hundred and twenty with about 200 in attendance.

The program consisted of:
Two vocal solos by Miss Helen
Schoutz; two numbers by the Winfield girls' quartet consisting of Maxine Harp, Dorothy Elliot, Mildred
Watkins, Elnore Sturm. The Tisdale
male quartet gave two numbers. The
Floral junior quartet gave two short
selecions, followed by a wonderful
address on cooperation by President
Cal A. Ward which was enjoyed very
much.

bushels with one hundred and twenty
million people on full ration, would
consume, including seed, right close
to seven hundred million bushels,
which would only leave about one hundred million for export. So in summing up the whole affair, it is under
consumption and not over production
and if our economical conditions are
to continue as they are at present,
then there is logic in the slogan of
production curtailment but can they
continue? All I wish to state here is At the close of the meeting, light that if they do continue for a while longer, there will then come the day of reckoning and God help us all, when that day comes.

Continue? All I wish to state here is ceipts. The bulk of the good to choice Whiteface stock steer calves, \$7.50 to \$8.50. Shorthorns, \$6.50 to \$7.50. Good to choice Whiteface heifer stock calves, \$6.50 to \$7.50. Plainer kinds, \$5.50 to \$6.25. Good to choice heavy bulls, \$4 to \$4.25. Fair to good, \$3.75 to \$4. Plainer kinds, \$3 to \$3.50.

tually pay off his mortgage indebt-edness. Look at the Canadian wheat edness. Look at the Canadian wheat marketing associations, known as the Pool. What has it done about their condition? When it, (the Pool) was about to succeed in demanding and receiving a fair living price for their wheat, big international financiers who are internationally organized and interlocked, so that it was very easy for them to bring on a world depression that caused a condition of unsion that caused a condition of un-employment of millions of people in all countries, thereby depriving these millions of workers of their buying power and they call it a world over production of wheat as an alibi. And In the last year or two a great deal has been said in the public press about the increase of cereal crops throughout the whole world, when a about the increase of cereal crops throughout the whole world, when a more glance at statistics reveals the fact that it is only 18 percent while meat products are about ten to twelve percent in the last thirty years. Nothing is said about the increase in population which through scientific control of infant mortality about \$1.70 a bushel in France to over \$2.00 a bushel in Germany. Even in Russian wheat production which it is said will be immense. Remember, will be. Had we not better wait until the Russians have produced it? Well do we remember the year of deflation in 1920 when the press of the Russians have produced it? Well do we remember the year of deflation in 1920 when the press of this country carried the slogan that when Russia opens her ports and ships out her many hundreds of millions bushels of wheat, she will flood the whole world with wheat. And when the real truth became known the Canadian wheat grower as well as

HAZEL HOLTZ

the whole world with wheat. And when the real truth became known

about the Russian people, it was

found that millions were starving to

death on account of food shortage. I

Wakeeney, Kans., R.F.D. 3.

venture to say that the same condi-HOPE SAYS C. E. HUFF (continued from page 1) a joint enterprise. The result of this policy has been that nearly all of the work done in the field of co-operative marketing in years past is conserved through our stockholder organizations

teresting places and happenings during his trip.

The president, B. E. Winchester, announced the county meeting would be held May 5th at the court house in St. John in the afternoon, appointing delegates and urging the members to attend. He also gave a talk on the Farmers Union Cooperative Creambars which everyone seems anxious to that will be more friendly to this Act than the present congress that goes into session next December. You, Mr. Ward, claim yourself that the marketing act will have to be amended to make it more effective.

If so, then why wait? There will al-

If so, then why wait? There will al-ways be efforts made by the opposi- they have heretofore been upon a com-

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SALES OF WEEK

Steer Alley

A. E. Robinson, Beaver City, Nebr., 47 steers

A. E. Robinson, Beaver City, Nebr., 12 steers

Amos C. Ebel, Brown Co., Kansas, load mixed yearlings ...

scarce, and are around 25c higher than last week. The bulk of the lightweight Herefords are selling from \$6.75 to \$7.50, with something outstanding bringing from \$8 to \$8.25. Plainer ones, carrying more weight, sell from \$6 to \$6.50. Shorthorn stockers of the better classes, lightweights,

bring from \$6 to \$6.50, with the medium to good kind carrying a little more weight, from \$5.50 to \$6. Plainer kinds of mixed breeds, from \$4 to \$5.50. BUTCHER MARKET (By John R. Hannon) Although receipts were only normal this week at Kansas City, all other

markets had exceptionally heavy runs of fat cattle. Our market Monday

held steady on all classes of cows, heifers and yearlings, but since then all grades of butcher stuff have declined from 25 to 40c per cwt. except the plainer kinds of killing cows. The heavier weight yearlings probably suf-

fered the most, losing about 50c per cwt. of last week's advance. Fed

calves and yearlings weighing under 675 lbs. were in fairly good demand

at about 25c under a week ago. The bulk of our better grades of mixed

yearlings and fed heifers weighing over 700 lbs. are selling from \$7.00 to

\$7.25, while choice light weights will sell from \$7.75 to \$8.25. Good heavy

cows were slow sellers all week with the better ones bringing from \$5.00

to \$5.50; canners \$2.75 to \$3.00; cutters \$3.50 to \$4.25. Stock cows and

CALVES (By Fred Seager)

top is \$8, with a few fancy ones up to \$9. Medium weight and heavy killing calves, good to choice, \$7.25 to \$8. Fair to good, \$6 to \$7. Baby beef calves weighing from 450 to 600 pounds, mostly from \$7 to \$8. Canner

calves, \$3.50 to \$5. Stock calves 50c higher this week, due to light re-

The general market is 50c higher than last week's close. Practical veal

heifers scarce at about steady prices.

yours for success in farm legislation and true Cooperation,

P. J. RIEDEL,

Websers W. Legislation to their needs, and have been administered in every instance with a view to the largest helpfulness consistent with reasonably safe financing. COOPERATION IS FARMERS The year just closed has been a strenuous one for Farmers National and for its stockholders. The work has been arduous, but it has not been without compensations. Looking backward, we may take pardonable pride customers whenever possible.

Miss Edna Smith has been with the firm nearly two years, and has proven herself to be a most valuable book-keeper and stenographer. She has charge of the details of the dividend accounts, including the work of mailing out the dividend checks and keeping out the dividend checks and keeping out the dividend case as a saists in mailing out general also assists in mailing out general correspondence and accounts of sales.

Kussia.

Now, Mr. Ward, I besieve the future, and has become the future, and has become the farmers should not wait a day longer blans and future prospects rest.

Consolidations have occurred, notably in the spring wheat area, where three of our stockholder members have bly in the spring wheat area, where three of our stockholder members have bly in the spring wheat area, where three of our stockholder members have bly in the spring wheat area, where three of our stockholder members have bly in the spring wheat area, where three of our stockholder members have bly in the spring wheat area, where three of our stockholder members have bly in the spring wheat area, where three of our stockholder members have bly in the spring wheat area, where three of our stockholder members have bly in the spring wheat area, where three of our stockholder members have bly in the spring wheat area, where three of our stockholder members have bly in the spring wheat area, where three of our stockholder members have bly in the spring wheat area, where three of our stockholder members have bly in the spring wheat area, where three of our stockholder members have bly in the spring wheat area, where three of our stockholder members have bly in the spring wheat area, where three of our stockholder members have bly in the spring wheat area, where the firm basis upon which our present to day than ever before, and the year which has ended. We are functioning better to day then ever before, and the year which las ended. We are functioning better to day then ever before, and the year which las end

tion to repeal the Act and I myself am of the opinion that we would not lose much if the Act were repealed. I am a Cooperator, have belonged to the Farmers Union for about twenty years, and still believe in Cooperation, but Cooperation alone will never solve the Agricultural problem, for through it alone we will never be able to demand and receive cost of production plus a profit large enough that would enable the farmer to eventually pay off his mortgage indebt
The hope of the American farmer for the future lies in the realm of co-operative marketing. Farmers National Grain Corporation, and finding such relationship infinitely more satisfactory and effective than one of competition.

As the first central co-operative established in connection with the Farmer National Grain Corporation, and finding such relationship infinitely more satisfactory and effective than one of competition.

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We shall go forward together—C.

E. Huff.

As the first central co-operative established in connection with the Farm ERS TO HEAD CONFERENCE (continued from page 1) modity, Farmers National quite naturally became the experimental as, assistant professor of economics, laboratory in which there was developed the policies of relationship between the Federal Farm Board and tween the Federal Farm Board and stitute of Economics, will present a stitute of Economics, will present a stitute of Economics, will present a stitute of Economics, and present a stitute of Economics as a state of Economics and Economics and Economics as a seconomic and the stitute of Economics and Economics and Economics and Economics and Economics and Economics are also as a seconomic and Economics and Ec

such co-operatives.

The Farm Board has been quick and generous in its response to our mar-keting needs, and has in every in-stance been responsive to sound suggestion or constructive criticism.

Confidence Gained

The confidence of Farmers National Grain Corporation and its members in the Federal Farm Board has strength-ened day by day thre ghout the past year, and it is to be hoped that Farm-

During a difficult marketing year
Farmers National has operated to safeguard and strengthen its stock-bolders in times of stress or crisis.

Although the Institute noise sections from June 1 to June 27, all some for or strength of the week of June 8 to 13 will be confined to credit courbolders in times of stress or crisis.

The hope of the American farmer NEW ROAD MAN FOR JOBBING ASSOCIATION

paper analyzing the livestock marketing plan. The board's wool program will be analyzed by M. R. Benedict, head of the farm economics department of the South Dakota State College of Agriculture Brookings, South Dakota. Charles W. Holman, Washington, D. C., secretary of the National Cooperative Milk Producers' Federation will explain the progress made in dairy marketing. James C. Stone, Washington, D. C. chairman of the federal farm board,

will address the sessions Friday night. June 12, in the auditorium of the college to explain the accomplishments of the body which he heads. About sixty other men of national reputation have been invited to address afternoon conferences during the entire week of June 8 to 13, but the names will not be made public until confirmations are received, according to Mr. Holman. The afternoon conferences will each be devoted to a single field of cooperative activity—livestock, grain, dairy products, wool, purchasing, educational relationships and insurance.

Cooperative editors will hold daily conferences to consider problems involved in the publication of their huse organs.

ward, we may take pardonable pride session of the Institute which is in the achievements of the year which held annually in connection with one

SPRING MEETING OF THE FARMERS UNION

MANAGERS ASSOCIATION

Coates House, Kansas City, Missouri, May 27th and 28th, 1931

PROGRAM

May 27th

Address by A. W. Ricker, St. Paul, Min

Reading of the minutes of previous meeting.

Discussion-H. E. Witham, Kansas City, Mo.

3:30 P. M. Address by C. A. Ward, Pres. Kansas Farmers Union.

May 28th

9:30 A. M. Address by H. A. Cowden, President Union Oil Co.

Subject-Co-operative Fruit Marketing.

11:00 A. M. Address by A. W. Seamans, Farmers Union Creamery,

11:15 A. M. Address by Sam. H. Ray, Success Mills, Inc., Kansas

10:00 A. M. Address by L. J. Walsh, Washburn Crosby Co.

Subject-Merchandising Feeds.

10:45 A. M. Address by Geo. M. Peet, Madison, Kans.

Kansas City, Mo.

11:45 A. M. Address by A. M. Kinney, Salina, Kans.

Means To Me.

City Mo.

Adjournment. 2:30 P. M. Ball Game at Fairmount Park. 6:00 P. M. Banquet at Fairmount Park.

Farmers Union Store.

Subject-Program of The Farmers Nat'l. Grain Cor-

A. M. Kinney, Salina, Kansas.

Discussion-Clifford Miller, Brewster, Kans., C. E.

Discussion-Mr. Kamp, Grainfield, Kans., John Fangel,

Subject-Merchandising UNION GOLD products in the

Subject-What The Farmers Union Managers Ass'n

Address by W. G. Swanson, San Francisco, Cal.

Lincolnville, Kans., Thos. Ramsay, Ottawa, Kans.,

Elder, Beloit, Kans., and C. A. Clark, Girard, Kans.

Address by Harry Neath, Kansas City, Mo.

1:00 P. M. Meeting called to order by Pres. C. B. Thowe.

Appointment of committees.

Report of C. B. Thowe.

Subject-Co-operation.

Subject-Elevator Loans.

Subject-Terminal Elevator.

Report of Committees.

and Others.

poration.

Discussion.

4:15 P. M. Address by H. E. Witham

Adjournment.

9:00 A. M. Meeting called to order.

Discussion.

10:30 A. M.



Ernest Dean, who started to work for the Farmers Union Jobbing Association, May I. as traveling representative.

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From the Boston Globe.

An "eating competition" was organized in a mining town in the north of England.

One competitor, a giant collier, six feet tall and broad in proportion, succeeded in disposing of a leg of muton, a loaf of bread, and a plentiful supply of vegetables, topping off the repast with the whole of a very substantial plum pudding.

He was declared the winner, and was being escorted triumphantly home when he turned to his admirers and

"Ah, lads, don't thee say nowt about this to my old woman, or she won't gie me no supper!"

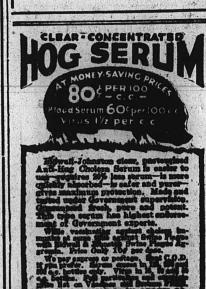
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Souvenirs will be distributed to the children

and meet these Boosters from the COME OUT Kansas City Chamber of Commerce who wish to meet old friends and make new ones.