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CLIFFORD MILLER SENDS REPORT AND SOME RESOLUTIONS

Brewster Farmers Union Association is one of the Strongest Organizations in the State

FOR INFLATION

While Report Shows Slight Loss for Year, This Cooperative Stands in Strong Position for the Future

We are in receipt of the following letter from our good friend, Clifford Miller, manager of the Farmers Cooperative Association, at Brewster, Kansas.

This Association is one of the most successful Farmers Union business organizations in the state. We are publishing Mr. Miller's letter, the Resolutions passed by the meeting together with the annual report of the manager. We feel these will be of interest to all of our Farmers Union folks.

February 12, 1936.
Mr. John Vesecky, President
Kansas Farmers Union,
Salina, Kansas.
Dear Mr. Vesecky:

We held our annual stockholders meeting of our business association yesterday. We had what I thought the best annual meeting we have had in a number of years. We had more than one hundred stockholders present out of the total of two hundred twenty and their interest was very good.

A set of resolutions was adopted and my annual report was approved with instructions that you be furnished a copy of each which I am enclosing.

Our annual operating statement shows a loss this year of \$176.93, the first net loss which we have shown in the twelve years that I have been with the company. The oil station and store both showed a profit but the fixed charges for insurance and taxes and depreciation on two elevators was more than could be overcome from the earning on a small amount of coal and feed business so we have a rather substantial loss in the elevator department which was not quite offset by the profits in the other departments.

Very truly yours,
—Clifford Miller.

Resolution Adopted by the Farmers Cooperative Association at Their Annual Meeting Held February 11, 1936

1. BE IT RESOLVED THAT: We herewith endorse the principle of inflation to the extent necessary to pay all outstanding government obligations, which would enable a debtor to pay his debts with a dollar of a value comparable with the dollar he borrowed and will lower taxes by lowering government expense in the amount of interest being paid on borrowed capital.

2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That all government obligations in the future should be financed by the issuing of currency instead of tax exempt securities and that money be taxed in the future at the same rate as tangible property.

3. BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The agricultural emergency which exists justifies the passage by congress of the Frazier-Lemke farm refinancing bill in an effort to save the homes of the farmers of this country, which are the foundation of this nation.

4. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That we commend our congress and President Roosevelt for the laws already passed in an effort to avoid foreign entanglements which might lead to war and endorse further and more drastic legislation in that respect.

5. BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The members of this association recognize that the establishment of the cooperative movement as a new economic system is the final solution of the farm problem and the solution of many of the serious problems of our democratic government as well. We accordingly recommend that congressmen that they do everything possible to assist the development of both producers and consumers cooperatives along sound lines.

6. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the policy of amalgamation and consolidation of cooperatives be followed where different cooperatives are in competition with each other, either in local or regional territories.

7. BE IT RESOLVED THAT: A copy of these resolutions and a copy of the annual report of Manager Miller be furnished to members of Congress, Gov. Landon, President Hoover, A. C. Cowden of CCA, and President Vesecky of the Kansas Farmers Union.

Manager's Annual Report, Dec. 31, 1935

To Stockholders:
This is the twenty-second annual meeting of this cooperative association. Organized in the year 1914 to operate first, a cream buying station, it has gradually broadened the scope of its activities until today, it is marketing most of the products of the farms in this territory excepting livestock, and supplying a great many of the requirements of its members

JOHN FROST TELLS OF DEVOTION OF THE PARENT ORGANIZATION

The State Farmers Union is the parent of the hundreds of local and district cooperative business associations in Kansas, and of the Jobbing Association, The Livestock Commission Co., The Insurance Co., The Produce Association, The Auditing Association, and The Royalty Co. With the true love of a parent the State Farmers Union has stood beside its children in every difficulty and trial.

It was the State Farmers Union that sensed the need of these cooperative business associations, that investigated the possibilities of their successful operation, and that often has advanced its funds to help put these institutions into operation. The State Farmers Union officers and directors, and their speakers and field men, and the State Farmers Union paper, have given the call week after week, for members of the State Farmers Union to rally to the support of their business concerns.

In the case of The Jobbing Association, the first of our state wide business associations to challenge the supremacy of the old line business corporations of Kansas, defeat after defeat seemed to doom it to failure. But the officers and directors of the State Farmers Union, again and again, after each defeat, rallied the broken ranks of the downcast farmers, and put up, again and again, a desperate fight to save their child. Success finally crowned the bull dog persistence of the parent organization, and The Jobbing Association is now on a firm foundation.

Whenever one of its children fell into trouble, the State Farmers Union hastened to its side to give succor. No call of a child for help ever failed to bring the State Farmers Union, with every resource within its power, in loving support. The officers and directors of the State Farmers Union, called in conference over a sick child, have spent many midnight hours in the sleepless vigil of a parent to save its offspring. Fighting every step of the way, they followed The Farmers Union State Bank down to find defeat, and down into the valley of the shadow of death, and wept with bitter tears of disappointment over the grave of their only child in bereavement.

True love cannot be tested in prosperity. It takes adversity, the test of fire and persecution, to prove real devotion. By this test the State Farmers Union has demonstrated in every trial the true love of a parent. Why now, should any Farmers Union business association, because of adversity or hard times, desert the State Farmers Union, the parent organization that has stood four square to every interest of agriculture, and with indomitable spirit fought thru every trial and discouragement to protect and defend the rights of farmers? Let us rally in gratitude under its banner, determined to carry to victory the flag of justice for agriculture.

Breathes there a farmer with soul so dead,
Who to himself has never said,
This is my own, my affmer band,
With them I must loyally join hand in hand.

—John Frost

RENEW FIGHT FOR FRAZIER LEMKE VOTE TO FINANCE FARMERS

House Backers Get 214 of Necessary 218 Signers to Bring Bill to Vote Had 217 at One Time, But Names Were Withdrawn

WILL PASS IF PUT UP

Rep. Shannon of K. C. Adds Name, Attacking Gag Rule and Mysterious Influence on Committee

Washington, Feb. 13.—As soon as the farm bill and neutrality legislation are out of the way, the house faces a renewed drive to bring the Frazier-Lemke farm mortgage refinancing bill to a vote. This is one of those measures that will get votes enough to pass it, in all probability, whenever there is a roll-call.

But in the house the rules committee refuses to permit a vote on it. And there is no way of getting a vote except by the petition of 218 members, a majority of the house.

Most of last session the Frazier-Lemke backers were within four or five votes of the necessary majority to force a vote. Once they reached 217, but six members immediately took their names off.

Today Rep. Joe Shannon of Kansas City, who takes as active an interest in Kansas as in Missouri matters, signed the petition, bringing the total to 214. Shannon explains that he signed the petition for two reasons.

"First," said Shannon, "the entire Kansas house delegation has signed the petition. The Kansas legislature has memorialized congress to pass the bill, as have the legislatures of more than 20 other states. Now Kansas City is the same as Kansas in national affairs, so far as I am concerned. And if Kansas wants the Frazier-Lemke bill, I say congress should be permitted to vote upon it."

"The other reason is that I am opposed to these gag rules. We in the house practically have come back to the old Cannon rules, under which bills could be absolutely smothered in



THOS. B. DUNN

Secretary-Manager
Farmers Union Auditing Association

committee. There was a while when we could force a vote upon petition of 145 members. Now we have gone back to 218 members to get a vote without the consent of the rules committee. That means eight members of the rules committee can prevent the consideration of measure.

"The committee on agriculture unanimously requested the rules committee to allow a vote on this measure. The rules committee has refused. Every time enough have signed the petition to force a vote, some mysterious influence has caused some names to be withdrawn."

"Under these circumstances it is incumbent upon those opposed to gag rules to sign this petition, signing it, a member is not bound to vote for the measure. At this moment I feel I shall not vote for it, but I am opposed to stifling a bill by any group. The bill should be brought out, discussed fully, and voted upon."

One of the underground reports is that before the session ends congress will pass the Frazier-Lemke bill, and give the president a chance to write a stirring "sound money" veto which probably would be sustained. The measure would allow the issuance of \$3,000,000,000 of currency to refinance distressed farm mortgages at one and one-half per cent interest with amortization at one and one-half per cent of the principal annually.

CLOUD COUNTY FARMERS DEMAND 1909 TO 14 PRICES

Kansans Ask Right to Control Purchasing Power

Rights of the American farmer to adjust supply and demand and to receive prices for his products which will return his purchasing power to the 1909-14 level, were demanded in a resolution adopted at a mass meeting held here and attended by more than 400 farmers. Speakers were Dean H. Umberger of Kansas state college, O. O. Wolf, of the Farm Bureau and John Frost representing the Farmers Union.

NEBRASKA STATE CONVENTION

John Frost, vice president of the Kansas Farmers Union was appointed to represent the Kansas Farmers union at the state convention of the Nebraska Farmers Union, held in Omaha on February 12 and 13.

Since we do not have Mr. Frost's report on the convention, we can only print the news item taken from the Topeka Capital of February 14.

"By a margin of a single vote, the Nebraska Farmers Union at its final convention session here today decided to reaffiliate with the national organization, from which it was suspended in 1934 as the result of differences over dues. The vote was 115 for and 114 against."

Exports of farm implements and machinery from Canada during December last had a value of \$370,414, an increase of \$157,588 over December 1934.

MANY INTERESTING BROADCASTS ARE SCHEDULED FOR THE COMING MONTHS

We will publish in each issue of the Kansas Union Farmer, broadcasts of interest to our farmer folks, together with list of stations over which the broadcasts can be found, and their time.

As we get information of new broadcasts, which we believe our folks would like to hear, we will add such broadcasts to this list.

Monthly F. U. Program
The monthly program of the Farmers' Educational Cooperative Union will be broadcast on Saturday, February 22, at 11:30 a. m. CST, over an NBC-WJZ network. E. H. Everson, national president of the organization, is expected to speak in the program.

Current Agricultural News
The progress of plans for soil conservation with the assistance of state and federal governments will be reported and commented upon by Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace each Tuesday during the National Farm and Home Hour programs of late February and early March. The Agriculture secretary in his weekly chats in the program at 11:30 a. m. CST, over an NBC-WJZ network also will comment upon other current developments in the rapidly-changing agricultural situation.

Reports of the work of farm discussion groups meeting in thirty-nine states, together with brief summaries of the lines of thought which will appear in their discussions of these questions will be heard in the programs of Monday, March 2, and Wednesday, March 11. The question,

"What Makes Prices of Farm Products" will be reviewed on March 2. "What Kind of Land Prices Would Be Best for the Nation as a Whole" will be the topic on March 11.

Sensational reports by the Farm Credit Administration on production and other credit arrangements that can be made through the federal lending agencies will be broadcast in the Farm and Home Hour on February 27 and March 5.

In the home demonstration program, Wednesday, March 4, Mrs. Anna Lee Harris, home demonstration agent for Richmond County, North Carolina, will give some interesting information on the planning of a home garden. Mrs. M. W. Fulton, a farm woman of Morgan County, West Virginia, will discuss how she and her neighbors utilize the information obtained at Farm and Home Week sessions of the West Virginia Extension Service. Caroline B. Sherman of the Department of Agriculture, will continue her discussions of rural people and their contributions to literature.

Walter Blaufuss and the Homesteaders orchestra are featured daily in the National Farm and Home Hour periods.

FARM-HOME STATIONS

The National Farm and Home Hour may be heard over the following stations associated with the National Broadcasting Company, at 11:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m. central standard time, each week day: WJZ, New York; (Continued on page four)

ORGANIZATIONS GATHER IN TOPEKA WITHAM PRESIDES

Many Different Associations Attend and Potent Resolutions Were Adopted

VESECKY PRESIDENT

Want Capper-Hope Bill; Jones Bill New Farm Legislation to Restore Commodity Prices to 1926 Level

The Committee of Kansas Farm Organizations met at Jayhawk Hotel in Topeka, Kansas on Monday, February 10, with President H. E. Witham presiding. The following organizations were represented: The Kansas State Grange, The Kansas Farmers Union, The Farmers Union Jobbing Association, The Kansas Farm Bureau, the Farmers Cooperative Grain Dealers Association, the Farmers Cooperative Commission Company, the Equity Union Grain Company, the Consumers Cooperative Association, and the Kansas Cooperative Creamery Association.

After reading of the minutes of the last previous meeting, the delegates present adopted the following resolutions pertaining to national legislation.

1. The Kansas Committee of Farm Organizations recommends to our delegation in congress that they work for the passage of the Capper-Hope Bill.

2. We endorse the Capper Jones Bill.

3. We heartily endorse the action of the national farm organizations in regard to a new farm legislation to take the place of the tripple A.

4. We urge Congress to take such action as may be necessary to restore commodity price levels which prevailed in 1926, and that when commodity prices reach that level, the dollar be stabilized at such value.

5. We approve the Pittinghill Bill HR3263.

6. We instruct our Secretary to furnish each member of Congress with a copy of these resolutions.

Upon motion, by John Frost, seconded, the following officers were elected:

President—John Vesecky, Kansas Farmers Union.

Vice President—J. H. Foltz, Kansas State Grange.

Secretary—W. O. Sand, Kansas Coop Grain Dealers' Association.

Members of Executive Committee—O. O. Wolf, Kansas Farm Bureau, Emil Gall, Farmers Coop. Commission Co.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Mr. Rafferty and Mr. Beard, representatives of the Labor Unions, were asked to make short talks. Motion was made by John Frost, seconded by O. O. Wolf, which carried, that the president and secretary of the Farm and Labor Council be called to call a meeting of the Farm Labor Council to meet in the press room of the Jayhawk hotel at 10 o'clock, Monday, March 2, 1936.

Meeting then adjourned.

FARMERS BRAVE COLD

Meet at Washington to Discuss and Approve Farm Plan

Washington, Kan.—More than 150 farmers, representing all parts of the county, braved a 4-below temperature today to attend a Washington county farmers meeting. The meeting by resolution approved the new farm plan now proposed, which would carry on certain features of the AAA and include more permanent provisions. Speakers were Dr. O. O. Wolf, Kansas Farm Bureau president; Sen. John Frost, a Farmers' Union representative, and Dean Harry Umberger of the Kansas State college extension service. A delegation of Pottawatomie county farmers also was present.

A. VANDRACEK SEEKS INFORMATION ABOUT PROCESSING RETURN

Packing Company says Products Were Sold at Market Prices No Discount Because of Any Change of Cost

PACKERS SIT SMUG

Chance for Cutting Big Melon, Says President Vesecky, President of Kansas Farmers Union

We have received the following letter from our good friend, J. A. Vandracek, manager of the Farmers Union Cooperative Mercantile Company at Tinklen.

Tinklen, Kansas,
February 15, 1936.
The Kansas Union Farmer,
Salina, Kansas.
Gentlemen:

In a recent issue of the Kansas Union Farmer, you had a little item about packers and the legalized steal, refunded to them.

In the flour milling business there were few mills which were not taking the injunctions, whereby we can turn our business to them. I wonder whether the state Union Business organizations are doing anything.

In the meat packing industry, we don't know of any concern which was not included in the fight on the processing tax. Therefore, we have no choice, but patronize concerns that made a fight on the act that really assured the very existence of I venture to say, at least 50 per cent of farmers and small business concerns of any kind in the western half of the state.

Therefore, I wonder whether it would be possible to work on the suggestion, patronize your own concerns. I don't see why small meat processing plants would not be a success. Especially in this part of the state where the farmers really realize the value of the AAA help. Yours very truly,
F. U. Coop. Merc. Assn.,
J. A. Vandracek, Mgr.

P. S. I am including a little correspondence we had with the Cudahy Packing Company.

Would like to have you, if you possibly could, to furnish me with the amount of the tax the packers charged to certain items, such as lard, pork shoulders, cured ham, bacon, pressed ham, etc., etc. I am going to try to make demand on the group we dealt with, for a refund.

Jan. 21, 1936
The Cudahy Packing Co.,
Wichita, Kansas.
Gentlemen:

We have noticed in today's news that the Supreme Court has ruled the impounded processing taxes to be returned to the processors.

We would like to have you inform us whether you are intending to refund to us the amount we had to pay on our purchases from you. We would very much like to have this information, as we shall govern our future purchases accordingly.

We believe we have as much just cause to demand refund from you as you have had from government.

Yours very truly,
—J. A. Vandracek Mgr.

January 22, 1936
Mr. J. A. Vandracek, Mgr.
The Farmers Union Coop Merc. Assn.,
Tinklen, Kansas.

We acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 21, asking for certain information as regards processing tax in connection with purchases which you made from us.

It has consistently been the policy of our Company to consider the processing tax as a part of the cost of the product, the same as wages, rent, local taxes, etc.

Our products have been sold to you at market price and not on any cost basis and our prices therefore are not subject to discount on account of change of any item of cost.

Yours very truly

THE CUDAHY PACKING CO.
E. A. Mc Mullen, Office Mgr.

These letters are self explanatory, but I am very sorry that we cannot give Mr. Vandracek the information for which he asks in the supplement part of his letter.

The Packing Industry is the only industry in the United States, as far as we know, which does not permit even the United States government to look into its books. Of course, there is no way for us, or any one else, especially one connected with the Farmers Union, to find out anything about their business, except what they want to publish themselves.

It seems rather peculiar that the poor packers, after absorbing all of the processors tax, out of their already very small profits, as they always claim they have, could still make more money during the last two years than they ever have made before. Now, with the addition of the processors tax, so kindly returned to them by our Supreme Court, they should certainly be enabled to cut a nice melon for their stockholders at their next annual meeting.

We like Mr. Vandracek's suggestion of farmer owned packing houses. The sooner we realize that we have to follow our products further than just to local markets, the sooner we will be on the way towards real prosperity.

Don't let our enemies say "I told you so." Show them the Union is strong.

Welcome, Senator Long, Says Senator Caraway



Whatever the senator from Arkansas, Mrs. Hattie W. Caraway, left, said to the new senator from Louisiana, Mrs. Rose McConnell Long, when the only two lady senators met in the Capitol, there was real welcome in it, as the late Huey Long played a major part in Mrs. Caraway's election. Announcing that she was "100 per cent for the farmers and labor," and that her late husband's "Share the Wealth" activities would go on, Mrs. Long, anxiously seized a black, with a white at her shoulder, took her seat after being sworn in by President Cramer.

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SALINA, KANSAS, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1936

EDITOR'S COMMENT

This is the first copy of the Kansas Union Farmer which the substitutes have prepared. The state board of the Kansas Farmers Union has decided not to fill the position of Secretary and Editor at the present time, so it devolves upon the state president and our efficient secretary Pauline Cowger, to get out the state paper, in addition to their regular duties.

In case there is any part of the paper you do not like, just consider we are novices at the work and pass it by. But, if there is any part that you really like, do not forget to write us about it because we will need all the encouragement we can get. We will welcome your comments.

FRAZIER LEMKE BILL

It begins to appear that there is no chance of passage of the Frazier Lemke farm refinancing bill in the present session of Congress. For some reason the political moguls do not desire the bill to pass.

Any one taking time to study the situation will know that the opposition of the money powers whose grip upon this land of ours would be loosened by the passage of this bill, is the real reason why it cannot come to a vote. Those connected with our big banking institutions, mortgage companies, or the great insurance companies, be they republican or democrat, are all opposed to the passage of this bill. It takes millions of dollars to conduct a presidential campaign and since we common folks do not contribute very liberally to the war chests of either party, political leaders must depend upon contributions from these same moneyed folks. Naturally they are very reluctant to do anything to offend them.

If this is to be a Government of the people, by the people and for the people, we must some way abolish the present system of excessive campaign expenditures before we can expect either party to be free from dollar influence.

NEW FARM BILL

I really expected to publish in this issue of the paper a copy of the new farm bill, designed to take the place of the AAA. There are several amendments to this bill pending, one or more of which are certain to be made a part of the bill. I do not believe it will serve any useful purpose to incubate the pages of our Farmers Union paper with the bill in its present incomplete form. So, we will not publish it until it is passed and signed by the President.

ELEVATOR ASSOCIATIONS

This is the time of the year when most of our business associations hold their annual meetings. We often do not realize the importance of these annual meetings and as a result, unless there is a big dividend to be paid, the attendance at the annual meeting is rather small.

The very life and existence of our

cooperative business associations depends upon the kind of men who are elected as directors of our business associations. It is very important that every member make a special effort to attend the annual meeting of his organization and intelligently help to select the proper men to direct his organization during the coming year.

Some of the qualifications of a good director are:

1. Understanding of the principles of cooperative marketing and purchasing.
2. Loyalty to the principles of co-operation and to his organization.
3. Understanding and appreciation of the importance of a live active local of the Kansas Farmers Union working in connection with the business organization.
4. Good judgment on business matters, but not a desire to be both a director and the manager.
5. The directors should direct the business but the management must be done by a manager whom the board selects for his special fitness for the position and backs up by their united support.
6. Monthly reports giving all the important facts about the business should be required of all managers of our business associations. They are a safe guard, both to the association and to the manager. These reports should be carefully studied by the Board, and it might be well to discuss them at the local Farmers Union meetings.

Presidents Travelogue BY JOHN VESECKY

On Tuesday, February 11, I went to Winfield for a series of speaking dates in Cowley county. Upon arrival in Winfield, I got in touch with Mr. Servis, manager of the Winfield Farmers Union Cooperative association, and with Neil Dulaney, president of the Cowley county Farmers Union.

Mr. Dulaney, his wife and two children took me along with them to the meeting of Bethel local, held at Akron Hall. In spite of the cold there were about 100 or 125 present at the meeting. The first part of the meeting was in charge of the local president. The program was a take-off on Major Bowes' amateur hour. It would have done credit to most any of our Kansas vaudeville shows.

After the program, the local president called upon Mr. Dulaney, the county President to take charge of the meeting and introduce me as the speaker of the evening. I talked on the Farmers Union program and work. Frank Ewall, O. C. Servis, and a few of the other old stand-bys of the county were called upon to talk, but on account of the inclement weather, they did not take up much time.

The ladies of the local served an excellent lunch consisting of doughnuts and coffee.

The locals of Cowley county are en-

The Cloak Room

By
W. P. Lambertson

There were three things in the public life of Charley Curtis that were outstanding in his earlier political days—he was not puffed-up, he wanted to know the people personally, and he answered correspondence promptly.

The appropriation for the War Department, which passed the House yesterday providing for the next fiscal year is 50-million more than all current expenses of the Government thirty years ago. The subcommittee members from both parties reporting this bill agreed unanimously.

There are only 30 areas left in the United States comprising 200-thousand acres or more where there is no motorized traffic. Foresters say roads carved through mountainous timber make wind-tunnels and drain the soil from above resulting in fallen trees. Testimony before a House Committee disclosed that one river project cost 20-million dollars and to this time it has been used by only two row boats.

The part of the Supreme Court decision which galls the farmers is that their problem is not a national one. During the previous ten years no one had raised this point and none of the opponents of the AAA argued this theory before that body.

Two huge bombing planes are being built costing more than a half-million apiece and 13, with costs of above 200-thousand each.

Rep. Bierman, of Iowa, says that all of our expenditures for the Army and Navy is not for national defense but is preparation for war. He insists that we are not threatened on any side by invasion.

The difference between the opinions of Fess and Borah on the tactics of the Republican campaign is—the former believes that no one should lead the G. O. P. that has supported any portion of the new deal, while the latter is of the opinion that his party needs only a straight-out definite program of action to win back the party members that "took a walk" in 1932.

gaged in a membership drive and Bethel local had 8 new applications to be voted on at this meeting.

Wednesday afternoon I visited with O. C. Servis, manager of the Winfield Farmers Union Cooperative Association, and inspected their fine plant.

The President of the Kellogg local, at which place we were to hold the meeting on Wednesday night, telephoned that the weather was so bad they felt it would be best to cancel the meeting.

Thursday afternoon my old friend U. S. Alexander came for me and took me home with him. After an excellent supper, we went to the meeting of Beaver local, held at Hackney Hall. There were about 75 or 100 present at this meeting in spite of the terrible roads and cold weather.

A fine program consisting of musical and vocal solos, and some excellent orchestra music was presented. Mr. Fred Abel, President of the local called on Neil Dulaney to introduce me, and I spoke at some length. At the conclusion of my talk, we ate cookies and drank coffee and discussed farm questions until about 11 o'clock.

That night and until about 3 o'clock the next day I visited with U. S. Alexander and his good wife in their home. I ate so much of Mrs. Alexander's good cooking that I was afraid I would not be able to move around enough to make the meeting at Udall that evening. My fears, however were needless, because such good cooking does not cause any trouble to any one.

Friday evening Brother Servis, his two sons, and Neil Dulaney stopped for me, to take me to Udall. The sub-zero weather kept most of the Udall folks at home. In spite of the cold, there were about 20 or 25 present, who listened to what I had to say with fine attention.

After the meeting we proceeded to talk over ways and means to revive the Udall local and also put the business association back in shape to operate this coming year. The elevator at Udall has been rented to an outside Mr. Blumenschein, President of the Elevator Association, and his board of directors have decided to operate the elevator as a Farmers Union Cooperative elevator this coming year.

I am sure that the folks at Udall will make a success, both of their reorganized local and of their business association. I assured them that the state office is ready to do whatever we can to help them reorganize. Mr. Dulaney and Mr. Servis of Winfield volunteered to come up to Udall next week and help set up both the local and the elevator. The Winfield Farmers Union operates the cooperative oil station at Udall at the present time.

I enjoyed my meetings with the Cowley county folks. I met many old friends, among whom are our old Farmers Union wheel horses, Mr. Gottlieb, Mr. Hunt, and others too numerous to mention. I hope I will again soon be privileged to meet

with the good folks of Cowley county. From assurances given me while there, I feel certain that they will more than double their membership this year.

STUBBORN FACTS

Not in the history of the Farmers Union have we heard or read a more convincing declaration of principles upon which the ultimate welfare of the whole nation depends, than that which we read in last week's paper.

One concise and convincing statement made, and I ask no one to doubt the truth of the statement, "the present mortgage foreclosure system is fast changing our farm population into a class of moving tenants, thus resulting in the destruction of the American type of civilization. When agriculture is destroyed, the United States must take in its sign as a free country."

This is food for serious thought for those who are outside of the farm organizations, which are working as a unit for legislation looking forward to averting such a condition.

Few men have a more comprehensive conception of national affairs that has been made this statement. South Mound with two members, Labette with four and Oswego with two.

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By "Blondie" Crooks,
Corresponding Secretary.
Local 1304.

Neighborhood Notes

FARMERS UNION SOCIAL MEETING

The Parsons Farmers Union Social Meeting met February 12th in the Farmers Union hall.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. George Reinhart.

The meeting was opened by a three act play, entitled, "The Deacons Honeymoon." The characters of the play consisted of eleven young people of Parsons and vicinity. The play was under the supervision of Mrs. Hazel Daniels, teacher of the M. K. T. school. Music between acts was furnished by Mr. John Hungerford.

Following the play responses were given by members of other locals who were present, each of whom gave a short speech. In each response the idea of cooperation and fellowship not only between members of each local but among all the locals of the organization was emphasized.

The visiting local represented were as follows: South Mound with two members, Labette with four and Oswego with two.

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FARMERS UNION JOBBING ASSOCIATION—For Tank Heaters and Stock Tanks.

JOHNSTOWN LOCAL 747

Emil O. Deere, head of the Liberal Arts and Science Department, Bethany College will be the speaker of our next meeting on Monday, February 24th. As usual at our regular meeting place, Morning Star School house.

Music will be furnished by our local talent consisting of Gottfried Swenson, Reuben Peterson and Elmer Helme.

An order for fish was taken at our last meeting to be distributed at our next meeting. It might be well for those wanting fish to bring their containers.

Plans were made to serve refreshments.

Carl O. Larson, Reporter.

FARMERS UNION JOBBING ASSOCIATION—For Prime Corrugated Sheets.

LOCAL ACTS ON MILITARY BILL

Brazilton, Kansas.
February 15, 1936.

Mr. Floyd H. Lynn,
Salina, Kansas.

Dear Sir:
At our last local meeting, it was moved and seconded, that Fair Oak Local Union No. 450, Crawford County, go on record as being opposed to the Military Disfranchisement Bill (Tydings-McCormick Bill S. 2253).

That copy of our action be sent to our Congressmen and Senators and that a copy be sent to the Kansas Union Farmer for publication. Motion carried unanimously.

Yours truly,
I. N. McClelland, Sec.-Treas.
W. W. Coester, President.

FARMERS UNION JOBBING ASSOCIATION—For Union Gold, Union Pride and Union Standard Flour.

CORRECTION—CENTER HILL LOCAL RESOLUTION

Waterville, Kansas.

Mr. Editor:

In last week's issue of the Kansas Union Farmer you carried report of the Center Hill local meeting, and copy of the resolutions passed. There is an error in those resolutions. Your report states, "Business left off when N. R. A. was upset," while the real resolution, as it was passed, read, "Business left off when N. R. A. went on, and picked up when N. R. A. was upset."

Please make correction in this resolution.

Verneal Anderson.

FARMERS UNION JOBBING ASSOCIATION—For Feed Ingredients.

CLAY COUNTY ACTIVITIES

Clay Center—Contrary to the trend in most Kansas counties and the trend up the nation, there has been no increase in farm tenancy in Clay County. In the 5-year period since 1930 there has been an increase of sixty-seven tenant operated farms compared with a gain of eighty-seven owner operated farms.

Clay Center—The Farmers Union Cooperative Association of Clay County has declared a 5 per cent patronage dividend in addition to the usual 8 per cent stock dividend, and the checks will be distributed at the annual meeting here February 19. Mrs. Elsie Olsen of the Consumers' Cooperative Association will address the gathering following the organization's annual dinner.

FARMERS UNION JOBBING ASSOCIATION—For KFU and Union Standard Egg Mash.

Plan Now—It pays to plan the vegetable garden carefully at this time of year so as to have plenty of each crop planted and not too much of the less desirable things. Each family has a separate problem in this regard. Fresh, good seed should be used even if it costs a little more than other seed.

LILLIS LOCAL 951 PASSES RESOLUTIONS

Vermillion, Kansas.

Dear Editor:

I come to your paper as a member of the farmers, and ask your cooperation to battle for a just cause.

Processors should be prevented from retaining the funds held in escrow, that are turned to them by the Supreme Court's decision of January 13.

Secretary of Agriculture Henry Wallace brands it the greatest legal steal in history. But has no commitment to make on the legality of tax he placed on our hogs to raise funds to pay for our own six million pigs slaughtered in a very expensive way, from producers stand point. The profit was so interesting to the packers that when they had finished the killing, they asked Mr. Wallace for more pigs.

It seems to me a single word describes the whole program "confusion" under which the packers have lowered the price paid producers and raised the finished cuts. This shows an extra huge profit for their fiscal year.

This procedure in the history of the "mortgage lifter" has irked the producer to white heat. Now they stand gasping for breath as they see their own money accumulated in escrow to be made a lovely gift to the packers.

Lillis Local No. 951 passed the following resolution:

Resolved—That we uphold the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States on January 6, as an important step to business recovery.

That we ask the government to pay the producers the balance due on the 1935 contracts, as signed. Then discontinue the program of paying premiums for the reduction of agricultural crops.

That there be appointed a national board to sell our industrial and agricultural surpluses on the world markets.

Be It Further Resolved—That we strongly approve the "Supreme Court's decision of January 13, which releases the money held in escrow, into the hands of the processors.

All of this \$200,000,000 was paid, either by producer or consumer, and the processors have no legal title thereto.

We urgently demand that all such funds collected up to January 6, 1936 be paid into the hands of those who produced the commodity, or better yet, into the United States Treasury.

The taxpayers will have to pay the bill in the end, anyway, and this \$200,000,000 would help Uncle Sam make valid his contracts to the farmers.

A. C. Bergmann,
Vermillion, Kansas.

FARMERS OIL COMPANY HELD ANNUAL MEETING

The annual stockholders meeting of the Farmers Union Co-op Ass'n Oil Co., was held at the Scout Hut Tuesday.

President Ben Rice presided and Ed Small was secretary.

John Orr gave an analysis of the Farmers Educational program, and was followed by an interesting talk by E. W. Barth of Kansas City, field man for the west half of Kansas for the Consumers' Cooperative Ass'n.

Following the auditor's report which showed a substantial profit for the local station in 1935 besides a considerable increase in fixed assets, the stockholders voted to take out of the 1935 profits 10 per cent for the reserve and sum for other purposes of expansion, then to pay a cash dividend of 8 per cent on all outstanding stock in addition to a five and one-half per cent patronage dividend.

Holdover directors of the corporation are Ben Rice, Gal Hamilton, Roy Somers and Art Freund. Ed Small and Robt. Jodon were re-elected and Vance Clark was elected to replace John Beal on the board. Geo. Pillsbury is manager of the business which did a gross of over \$28,000 during 1935.

The directors will meet to reorganize that board Friday night—Conway Springs Star.

FARMERS UNION JOBBING ASSOCIATION—For Coal.

RESOLUTION FROM PAGE CITY BUSINESS ASSOCIATION.

Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Farmers Cooperative Ass'n at Page City, Kansas, February 12, 1936.

Be It Resolved: That we the Directors of the Farmers Cooperative Ass'n of Page City, Kansas, deplore the action of the various milling companies in their securing of injunctions impounding the processing tax thereby showing their true attitude toward the producer.

Therefore: We realize that the producer and the consumer, whose interest are nearly the same, would be greatly benefited by the establishment of a mill producing good mill products.

Be it further Resolved: That we ask that cooperative interests investigate and if favorable reports are received that a mill be established.

We pledge that such action will receive our fullest cooperation.

J. H. Stover, President.
Frank Koons, Vice-president.
Guy Ellison, Secretary-treasurer.
C. F. Moyer, Director.
L. A. Gfeller, Director.
E. R. Wesene, Director.
E. J. Gfeller, Director.
Emil Gustafson, Manager.

FARMERS UNION JOBBING ASSOCIATION—For all kinds of Wire and Steel Posts.

RILEY COUNTY QUARTERLY MEETING

The first quarterly meeting of Riley county Farmers Union, Number 45, will be held at Walsburg school

house Saturday, March 7th, beginning at 11 o'clock A. M.

All members are urged to be present. Basket dinner at noon. Coffee will be furnished by the Walsburg local. John Graham, President. Gust Larson, Secretary.

FARMERS UNION JOBBING ASSOCIATION—For Tankage and Meat Scraps.

NOTICE TO ELLSWORTH COUNTY LOCALS

Ellsworth County Farmers Union No. 41, at its business meeting January 11, voted to offer each member of all Locals in Ellsworth County a premium of fifty cents for each new member secured by them during 1936.

Application cards are to be given to the county secretary, signed by applicant; also, sponsor is to sign his name on the back of each card as such, and the Local secretary is to certify on the back of each card that the applicant has joined his Local and has paid his dues for 1936.

We will furnish you with application cards for the asking.

—Chester A. Chapman,
County Secretary.

CRAWFORD COUNTY MEETING

The regular quarterly meeting of the Crawford County Farmers Union will be held in Girard, Tuesday, February 25, 1936 at 1 p. m.

If you are not with us, you are against us. Help us go over the top, with a real farmers' organization.

George H. Hamm, President
J. Henry Meyer, Secretary.

BUSINESS BY FARMERS' MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANIES

The amount of fire insurance on farm property carried by farmers' mutual insurance companies in the United States at the close of 1933, the latest year for which figures are available, totaled \$10,487,863,637, according to the Bureau of Agricultural Economics. This represents a decrease of about half a billion from the 1932 total which was \$10,974,082,182.

The decrease probably was due not to a reduction in the number of properties insured but to a reduction in the amount of insurance carried on the properties as a result of decreased farm values, says the bureau. There were 1,831 farmers' mutuals doing business at the close of 1933. Approximately one-half of all the farm property in the country is insured by these mutuals.

Fire losses paid by farmers' mutual insurance companies in 1933 amounted to \$22,735,361 or 74.4 per cent of the total expenditures, and operation expenses amounted to \$7,608,748 or 25.6 per cent. Losses amounted to 25.4 cents per hundred dollars of insurance and expenses amounted to 7.3 cents.

Total cost in 1933 of 28.6 cents per hundred dollars of insurance compares favorably with total costs of 32.0 cents per hundred in 1932. The reduction was due entirely to a reduction in losses.

GENETICS PROVIDES GUIDES FOR GROWERS OF SORGHUM

One of the newest sciences, genetics, is making the work of the plant breeder easier. Sorghum improvement is an example. It has about a dozen objectives, all of which are more readily attainable because of what plant breeders are learning about this science that deals with inheritance in plants and animals.

Among the qualities which plant breeders seek in new sorghums are earlier maturity, white or yellow palatable seed, dwarf types for easy machine harvesting, juicier, forage low-chlorophyll content, improved stover production—resistance to insects, seed and root rots and smut

Junior and Juvenile Department

Juniors from 16 to 21

Juvenile's from 16 to 6

February Birthdays

Dear Juniors:
It has seemed to me that you are rather neglecting me the last few weeks. I've had very few letters from either the Juniors or your leaders, over the state. Maybe it's been a little too cold to get out and attend the meetings, but just the same, I want to hear what you are doing.

February is the month of birthdays of some of our outstanding patriots. In your meetings discuss how their patriotism has affected Ueace. This links right up with our study topic for the year of "Peace and Patriotism."

We are now receiving material from the National Junior Leader, and each week we want to give you some of the thoughts received from the National office.

By the time of the next state convention we want a thousand or more active Juniors in Kansas. Then we want to go to the national convention and show what fine work Kansas has done. Be sure and write me about any problems you might have.

The record here at the state office does not list near all the birthdays of the members. Below you will find the names and addresses of some of the members whose birthdays are in February.

If you have a birthday this month, and your name is not listed, write and tell us about it.

Norbert Arnoldy, Tipton—February 24.
Pearl Ruth Albin, Gove—February 6.

Norma Alberts—Conway Springs—February 1.
Hazel Pauline Boergircher, Richland, Route 2—February 17.

Lucile Buzard, McCune—February 1.
Lee A. Combrow, Greenleaf—February 6.

Mildred J. Dawson, Toronto—February 24.
Ruth Dobson, Manhattan—February 22.

Vernon Gensch, Wellington—February 24.
Veronica Hajek, Tampa—February 9.

Barbara Hanson, Jamestown—February 10.
Abbie Herrman, LaCrosse—February 8.

Henrietta Hauschild, Hays—February 2.
Marcet Koester, Walnut, February 22.

Mattie Pearce, Oak Hill—February 24.
Mabel Ritz, Cawker, February 13.

A PACKAGE OF DATES

Characters

Announcer—Ground Hog Day—Wears Night Cap.
February 12—Lincoln—Carries a Flag.

February 14—Valentine—Decorated with Hearts.
February 15—Susan B. Anthony—Banner.

February 22, Washington—Tricorn hat—Hatchet.
February 22—Lowell—Pen and Paper—Flag.

February 27, Longfellow—Pen, and Paper—Flag.
Announcer—Holds package of dates in his hand.

Ladies and Gentlemen! Tonight, I am going to present to you a package of dates.

Now, there are three kinds of dates. If you are a Juvenile and still in the grades, you hate the word date, because it sounds like history. If you are a Junior and hear the word date, you begin to straighten your tie if you are a boy, or powder your nose if you are a girl.

If you are older than a Juvenile or a Junior, you think of a date as being the time you have to pay the interest on the mortgage, or merely as something good to eat.

The package of dates I present to you is a little different from any of these. Juveniles may recognize some familiar faces, but they won't hurt you. These are February dates.

(Steps back with a flourish and bows in first child.)
February 2—Carries card with large number 2 on it. Wears night cap and yawns.)

"I am February Second. Men call me Ground Hog Day. For if that piggie sees his shadow, He'll sleep six more weeks away."

Enter February 12—Carries card with large number 12. Carries a flag, also, and may carry a split log.)
"I am the date of Lincoln's birth. His words are still treasured here on earth."

These are Lincoln's words. Mark them well:
"With malice toward none; with charity for all; with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right, let us strive to finish the work we are in; x x x to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations."

(EXIT)

Enter February 14—Carries card with large number 14 on it. Wears costume decorated with large hearts.
Gay red hearts and flowers entwined.

Mark the birthday of St. Valentine. Kind and loving to all he knew, His story will tell to you.

He lived many years ago in a time when men were even more cruel to each other than they are today. There were no doctors to help the sick, so Valentine went among them and tried to help their suffering. He went among the poor, too, and tried to help them bear their sorrows. He believed that wealth should be divided among all people and because he said these things, he was put in prison. But he continued to send messages of love to his friends until he died. After he

was dead, the people who loved him sent messages to each other in his memory, and we do the same today, in honor of his birthday.

(EXIT)

Enter February 15—Carries card with large 15 on it. Also a banner, bearing the words—"Votes for Women".

I am a birthday all should know. For more than a hundred years ago

A woman was born upon this date Who was a patriot true and great. Susan B. Anthony was her name And votes for women, her campaign.

To her whose birthday was today, This nation owes a debt today.

(EXIT)

Enter February 22—Carries card with 22 on it. Wears tricorn hat and carries a small hatchet and a bunch of cherries.)

I am the birthday of Washington I need no introduction to anyone. His country's father, brave and strong

He won freedom from a tyrant's wrong.

(EXIT)

Enter February 22—Carries card with large 22 on it. Also a pen and a pad of paper or a book.)

Another great man was born this day. James Russell Lowell was his name, and he

Is remembered best by his poetry. The words he wrote are as true today As they were in the past of yesterday.

These are his words—
"True Freedom is to share
All the chains our brothers wear,
And with heart and hand to be
Earnest to make others free."

They are slaves who fear to speak
For the fallen and the weak;
They are slaves who will not choose
Hated, scoffing and abuse,
Rather than in silence shrink
From the truth they needs must think.

They are slaves who dare not be
In the right with two or three."

(EXIT)

Enter February 27—Carries card with 27 on it. Also pen and large Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Was born upon this day.
The patriot he felt then
Is what we feel today.

This is what he said—
Trust no future, how'er pleasant;
Let the dead past bury its dead;
Act, act in the living present;
Heart within and God o'erhead.

Lives of great Men all remind us
We make our lives sublime
And departing leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time.

Footprints that perhaps another
Sailing o'er life's solemn main
A forlorn and shipwrecked brother
Seeing shall take heart again.

(EXIT)

Announcer—That is the last of the package, friends. The messages brought to you by this package are the footprints left on the sands of time, by the men who wrote them. They help us to take heart again, to carry on the great work of our time. May the spirit of their bringing about sooner, the freedom of which all of them wrote, and for which all of them worked, the true freedom of the cooperative democracy.

(CURTAIN)

FARMERS STRONG FOR PEACE
SAYS CONGRESSMAN LEMKE

"I know that the farmers of this nation are for universal peace, because they are always the economic backbone of a war," asserted Congressman William Lemke, Republican of North Dakota, in a radio speech arranged last week by the National Council for Prevention of War.

"During the war," Congressman Lemke said, "the price on some farm commodities was fixed and limited by law, while at the same time the sky was the limit for the munition and other manufacturers. After the war the farmer, because he was unorganized, was made the financial shock absorber. Since 1921, the prices paid to the farmers for their commodities on an average did not equal the cost of producing them. In short, he fed the nation and lost his home. Over 60 per cent of the farmers who were well-to-do when we entered the war have now either lost their homes or are in process of losing them."

Congressman Lemke voiced the view that the farmers are now aware of the hypocrisy that raged during the World War and that they do not intend to be dragged into another war. Indication of this sentiment is reflected in recent resolutions urging passage of neutrality legislation adopted by various national farm organizations.

George Washington on War:
"My first wish is to see this plague to mankind banished from the earth and the sons and daughters of this world employed in more pleasing and innocent amusements, than in preparing implements and exercising them for the destruction of mankind."

The day or days you spend in helping get more members into your Local may be the most effective days of work you'll do for yourself during the entire year.

FARMERS UNION JOBBING ASSOCIATION—For Cottonseed and

With a large membership right at the starting of the year, the Farmers Union will be more effective than ever before.

Send orders to
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Box 48, Salina, Kansas

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WASHINGTON WONDERS

THE Father of our Country was born in Westmoreland County, Virginia, two hundred and one years ago. If he could see his progeny now, he would undoubtedly be impressed, and possibly a little bit dismayed.

The population of the thirteen original states was less than 4,000,000. The population of our forty-eight states today is more than 122,000,000, or more than thirty times as large. Washington was an eminently practical man. How, he well might ask, are so many people to be fed? But he might be gratified if he was told that they are not only all fed, and very much better fed than in his day, but they make a special feast day of the date upon which he was born.

That is one reason why we called this story "Washington Wonders," but that title can also have another significance. It might refer to some of the culinary wonders which are created on his birthday. These are the wonders that we're going to confine ourselves to writing about because (confidentially) we really don't know what Washington would wonder if he could see us now.

Red, White and Blue
Of course the decorations of a Washington dinner must carry out our national color scheme—red, white and blue. There are many ways to do it—with ribbons, flowers, crepe paper, plates and glasses, even with the foods themselves. But we promised to tell what some of these foods which constitute Washington wonders are, so here is a menu for such a patriotic dinner:

Ice-d Orange and Grapefruit Juice
French Lamb Chops
Duchess Potatoes
Peas in Cream
Buttered Diced Beets
Hot Finger Rolls
Grapefruit, cucumber and Pineapple Salad
Deep Dish Cherry Tarts
Demi-Tasse

The syrup from the canned grapefruit in the salad is used in the first course. If desired, some of the syrup from the cherries may also be added to this drink to make it red.

The Recipes
Grapefruit, cucumber and Pineapple Salad: Cut the contents of a No. 2 can of grapefruit, and chill the fruit. Peel one cucumber, cut in water thin slices and crisp in ice water. Drain the cucumber slices, and arrange them and the grapefruit in nests of lettuce. Decorate with strips of cubes of canned pineapple. Pour over a very cold French dressing to which little grapefruit juice and a little chopped green pepper has been added.

Deep Dish Cherry Tarts: Drain the contents of a No. 2 can of red pitted cherries, and divide among eight deep individual tart tins, or custard cups, or ramekins. Mix one-half cup sugar with four tablespoons flour, and sprinkle over cherries. Put bits of butter on top. Pour over two-thirds cup cherry syrup. Cut out rounds of pie pastry, cut slit in tops and press into shape over tops of tins or custard cups. Bake about thirty minutes, having oven hot at first,

425°, then reduced to 350°. This makes eight tarts.

Or, if you prefer to serve a Washington supper, here's another suggested menu:

Creamy Chicken in Cream Sauce
Omelette
Sweet Pickles
Cheese Biscuits
Washington Cherry Cream Tarts
Coffee

Creamy Chicken in Cream Sauce: Sauté one tablespoon chopped onion in two tablespoons butter, add three tablespoons flour, and stir smooth. Add the contents of a 12½-ounce can of chicken broth, and cook until creamy. Add one cup canned tomato, salt, pepper, the cut up contents of a 13-ounce can of chicken, one-fourth cup diced celery and one teaspoon slightly beaten eggs. Cook a minute longer, cool, and add one-half teaspoon vanilla. Fill bottoms of small baked tart shells with this. Meanwhile, cook the contents of a No. 3 can of red pitted cherries, and sugar gently with two-thirds cup sugar until the syrup is thick. Cool and cover custard in tarts with the glazed cherries and thick syrup. This makes eight to ten tarts.

Peel small onions. Scald in strong salt water (4 tablespoons to 1 quart of water) and drain. Pack in jars and sprinkle white mustard and pepper over the onions. Cover them with boiling hot solution of vinegar. When cold, put in clean cold jars and seal. A tablespoon of salad oil may be added to the top of the mixture.

Cocktail
The way to make the bracer is to combine two cups of bottled prune juice with the contents of a No. 2 can pineapple juice. Combine these the night before and let them chill overnight. These proportions will make enough bracer to brace eight.

Pumpkin Ice
Beat 1 egg yolk. Add 1 can pumpkin, 1-2 cup milk, 3-4 cup sugar, 1-2 teaspoon vanilla, 1-8 teaspoon each clove and salt. Stir until sugar dissolves. Add 1 egg white beaten stiff, 1 tablespoon sugar, 1 cup cream whipped until thick as custard. Freeze.

Cherry Dumplings
Pastry
One No. 2 can Pitted Cherries
One fourth cup sugar
Two tablespoons butter
f g nutmeg
Cherry syrup
Two tablespoons sugar
One tablespoon butter
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Roll pastry out thin, cut in 5 inch squares. Drain cherries and put a mound of them in the center of each square. There are enough cherries for 8 squares. Sprinkle with sugar and dot with butter. Dust with nutmeg. Moisten edges of squares, bring corners together and pinch edges firmly, leaving a small opening at the top for escape of steam. Bake in a hot 400 degree oven for 25 minutes. Meanwhile turn the cherry syrup into a sauce pan, add 2 Tablespoon sugar, 1 tablespoon butter and

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kets and they could easily have been pushed higher except receivers realized that to do so would only be temporary, and it is probably just as well they are being held as conservatively as possible.

Seldom do producers ever reap the benefit of an extremely sudden jump in eggs when the advance is due to a pinch on account of weather. By the time the eggs begin to come through from the country, the markets are dropped so rapidly that, as above stated, producers seldom receive much benefit.

There is a good deal of discussion as to how long it will be, even should the weather moderate, before flocks could recuperate and get back to normal production. At any rate it is well to keep generally conceded that it will take two or three weeks from the present time to get egg production back to where it was on January 22nd when the cold wave started.

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Of Interest To Women

Consider Cornmeal Mush

No wonder we so often consider cornmeal mush a famine food. As it is frequently cooked, it possesses no virtue but warmth. Texture, flavor—everything seems against it. Yet to make a really delectable bowl of mush, one has but to follow some such simple procedure as this:

Mix one cup of cornmeal with one and one-half cups of cold water. (This will prevent lumping.) Add immediately to three cups of scalded milk. Season with one teaspoon of salt. As soon as mixture starts to bubble up, put over hot water and cook for from one to three hours—the longer the better. Serve with sugar—brown or white and half cream or good, rich top milk.

"Cooking in milk" is a practice which so improves the average cereal dish that I frequently wonder why it is not more common. For supper, we particularly like a bowl of rice, or cracked wheat, or cream of wheat, or even rolled oats cooked in milk and with a sprinkling of nuts, raisins, chopped dates, raisins, prunes or something which gives it real suppertive character.

One scant cup of rice added to a quart of scalded milk, plus one-half teaspoon of salt, needs only one hour of cooking over hot water to make it a dish eminently worthy to close the day. A layer of crisp corn flakes on a bowl of rice is a popular addition with us.

Cracked or whole wheat acquires a mellow

FARMERS UNION LIVE STOCK SALES

Below is published a representative list of the sales my Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Company of Kansas City.

Week Ending Feb. 14th, 1936	
E. A. Latzke—Geary Co Ks—8 vrlgs 787	9.00
Claude Baker—Ottawa Co Ks—46 str 1023	8.50
W. E. Rector—Johnson Co Ks—11 hfs 650	8.25
Walter Ellis—Osage Co Ks—24 str 1031	8.10
Virgil Schwarz—Douglas Co Ks—21 str 1085	8.00
B. N. Cooper—Osage Co Ks—5 str 1036	7.50
Russell Hamilton—Marshall Co Ks—5 str 814	7.50
Chas. H. Martin—Henry Co Mo—7 str 1151	7.50
P. Reistoffer—Allen Co Ks—9 str 982	7.35
C. L. Bremen—Andrew Co Mo—25 str 1090	7.15
Paul Kloster—Lafayette Co Mo—9 str 868	7.10
E. W. Wren—Anderson Co Ks—5 str 1184	7.00
Dan Jensen—Cloud Co Ks—4 str 622	7.00
C. N. Reed—Osage Co Ks—10 str 670	6.75
T. E. Edwards—Montgomery Co Ks—13 str 1082	6.75
R. E. Stanley—Jackson Co Mo—14 clvs 260	6.50
Tabor Edmonds—Jefferson Co Ks—9 str 786	6.25
Chas. L. Ramsberg—Allen Co Ks—9 hfs 681	6.25
R. Cadman—Stafford Co Ks—9 hfs 597	5.75
R. E. Cole—Wyandotte Co Ks—15 cows 940	5.50
R. E. Cole—Wyandotte Co Ks—14 cows 921	5.00
H. C. Derz—Johnson Co Ks—11 cows 1030	5.00
C. T. Pritchard—Ray Co Mo—15 cows 980	4.50
H. E. Derz—Johnson Co Ks—13 cows 897	4.50
C. T. Pritchard—Ray Co Mo—13 cows 860	4.10
R. Cadman—Stafford Co Ks—6 cows 698	4.00
C. E. Wright—Ray Co Mo—12 cows 781	4.00

HOGS

Medium and Heavy Butchers 230 Avgs. Up	10.30
G. M. Miller—Chase Co Ks—12 str 237	10.20
H. H. Willenbring—Henry Co Mo—5 str 250	10.10
E. W. Wren—Anderson Co Ks—24 str 250	10.10
Noah Shuler—Osage Co Ks—12 str 255	10.00
Dan Yunkin—Clay Co Ks—14 str 242	10.00
J. G. Collins—Franklin Co Ks—10 str 233	10.00
Otto Genschorek—Washington Co Ks—8 str 245	9.30
E. L. Hennessey—Linn Co Ks—7 str 274	9.30
Carl Bros—Shawnee Co Ks—16 str 285	9.85
Joseph Stallbaumer—Marshall Co Ks—10 str 286	9.85
R. D. Anderson—Lafayette Co Mo—7 str 275	9.85
Ralph Mathews—Miami Co Ks—5 str 282	9.75
Philip Morsdorf—Osage Co Ks—6 str 328	9.60
W. R. Stump—Marshall Co Ks—54 str 275	8.75

Light Butchers 170 to 230 Lbs. Avg.

L. E. Weber—Lafayette Co Mo—11 str 206	10.35
Marion Syster—Miami Co Ks—8 str 173	10.35
Myrl Rodgers—Coffey Co Ks—33 str 229	10.30
S. C. Nelson—Linn Co Ks—5 str 180	10.30

What Our Neighbors Are Doing

The following extract from the Arkansas Union Farmer shows that old Arkansas is going to push to the front again.

FARMERS UNION SPIRIT IS INCREASING

We are very much encouraged by the many letters we are receiving from over the state asking for permission to organize Farmers Union Locals and to solicit business for the Farmers Union Mutual Insurance Company. It looks like the old spirit that built the Farmers Union to 65,000 a quarter of a century ago is returning. We expect this to be the biggest year, not only for our Insurance Company but for membership building that we have had in many years. If you need extra copies of the paper to assist you in reviving the Farmers Union spirit in your community, write us, 116 Glover building, Little Rock, Ark. The farmers now realize more than ever before the importance of organization. Let's strike while the iron is hot.

MADE A HOUSE-TO-HOUSE CALL

As you will see in other columns of the paper, Brother Dickinson makes a suggestion that we make a house-to-house call for new members and to collect dues in the old members. This is a splendid suggestion and has been tried in some parts of the state. Our State Vice President, A. H. Baker, had the secretary of his local try it and he collected and took in together 11 members the first one-half day he was out.

The Farm Bureau was organized in other states in exactly this manner. It does not require big speeches to organize but rather a quiet talk in the farmer's home around the fire-side with his wife and children. Oftentimes the wife is the dominating factor and unless she is sold you will not have a good member even though you take the man in.

Why not call your local together and talk this matter over. Organize two or three teams and let them go out either singly or in pairs and canvass every man in your territory.

After the round is made let them change territories and another team visit all families that the first team failed to get. Keep this up until the ones who have not come in have been visited by eight or ten of their neighbors. He will finally realize that his neighbors consider him important, and feeling his responsibility will eventually come in and probably make the best member you have.

When your neighborhood is worked out let these teams start in another neighborhood. As soon as they have ten or twelve members signed up call a meeting and organize a Local. Then let them organize teams and finish the neighborhood. This system if vigorously followed up will mean an increased membership in Arkansas of at least 25,000 new members.

In Oklahoma the Farmers Union works with the 4-H clubs, the same as the Farm Bureau does in Kansas. Following extract is taken from an editorial by Wm. Simpson of the Oklahoma Union Farmer, and will be of interest, not only to our juniors, but also to all of our members who are interested in junior education, along Farmers Union lines:

A COMING LEADER

I am going to start this little discussion off with the words, Grace Smolo. That does not mean much to you, and it probably does not mean anything to very many other people, save her father, other relatives and close friends. I venture this prophecy that some day a great number of the farm folk of Oklahoma will know Grace Smolo. She is a 4-H Club Girl, whose father is president of the Trail Creek Local, Kingfisher County. She

is the county president of the 4-H Clubs.

At the recent meeting of the Trail Creek Local, Monday night, February 10th, she was asked to say a few words. Smiling sweetly, this seventeen year old girl walked to the front, addressed the chairman and the audience in customary fashion and interestingly plunged into an exhortation to farmers to stay with the Union regardless of future disappointments, or past failures. The whole talk was impromptu. The first of it was rendered to such a degree of excellence that I thought it had been memorized, but when she was about half through, I knew she was speaking impromptu. After the talk I learned that the whole speech was impromptu.

There are many young people in Oklahoma who cannot make the talk that she did, even by memorizing. With a father to inspire her to devote her life to farmers, her place at the top in farm life in Oklahoma is just a matter of time. With the approach of womanhood, obligations and requirements of citizen leadership will be forced upon her if she will keep studying all phases of farm life, social and economic. I hope she will keep in touch with me in the next three or four years. I would like to watch her develop.

I must add this—the farmers there are as fine a group as any I have ever seen. Zed Lawler organized this local about a year ago. I told them, and I want to tell you readers that in attending some of the meetings recently, I have been impressed with the remarkable sleuth-like reputation he is gaining with me in hunting out good communities for locals. We know there are lots of good communities, but Zed has the world beat in finding them.

From A. W. Rickers paper, the Farmers Union Herald published at St. Paul, Minnesota, we clip the following article, written by him upon learning of the resignation of our State Secretary P. H. Lynn.

ANOTHER GOOD MAN GONE

The Kansas Union Farmer of February 13th contains the resignation of State Secretary Floyd H. Lynn, who is also the editor of the paper. Floyd has resigned to become project manager of resettlement work in Kansas.

It will be remembered that C. A. Ward, former president of the Kansas Union, was appointed late in 1935 as resettlement director of the states of Kansas, Nebraska, South Dakota and North Dakota. Later E. E. Greene, secretary of the North Dakota Union, was made director for the four states of the cooperative division. Then Howard Wood of North Dakota was made resettlement director of that state. Lynn is the fourth prominent Union official who has gone with resettlement work.

Out in the dust blown areas of western Kansas there are thousands of farmers on relief. All that these farmers have had in the way of income for the past three years is their wheat allotment insurance checks, seed and feed loans, and when necessary direct relief.

Relief work among farmers was turned over in 1935 to Rexford Tugwell, and incorporated in resettlement and rehabilitation. This governmental department has the job of moving farmers from land where making a living is hazardous or impossible. Where it is possible to make a living rehabilitation work comprises resettling the farmer in business by making loans for the purchase of livestock, machinery, etc.

There are probably a million down, but not necessarily our farmers who can be taken off direct relief and by rehabilitating them, which means set-

ting them up in business again, made self-supporting.

If you ask us what we think of this field of work, we will say it is one of the most, if not the most, important things the government is doing. No man in government service has had to endure more criticism than Tugwell and for just one reason, namely, his known liberal, if not radical views. But the President sticks to and with Tugwell, and Tugwell is carrying on and making progress in getting a job done.

It is a compliment to the Farmers Union, of course, that Tugwell has picked so many of our trained officials as executives. We dislike to lose them from active Farmers Union service, but we know of no place we would rather have them go than into resettlement work, where they can and will do good work for farmers. Congratulations, Floyd, but when you get your job done we want you back in the Farmers Union harness.

CLIFFORD MILLER SENDS MANAGERIAL REPORT AND SOME RESOLUTIONS

(Continued from page one)

organization and including a provision for setting up the earnings of non-members to their credit which will enable us to secure income tax exemption, secure the support of members of general farm organizations and consumers who are not producers of agricultural products. It may not be the time to make this change now, but I recommend it for your careful study.

The Kansas Farmers Union is now engaged in an educational campaign. We could likely secure President Vesecky for meetings in the near future. We can, I am sure, secure a speaker from C. C. A. for a series of meetings sometime in the near future. The meetings would be comparatively inexpensive and I am sure would be very helpful to us. We are affiliated with both these organizations and they will be glad to furnish us assistance with our educational activities. I recommend to our educational committee that such a program be considered along with other activities of an educational nature.

The combined profit and loss statement shows a small net loss for our operations in the year of 1935. This is, of course, regrettable but not the most difficult thing with which we have had to deal in these depression years. The auditor's report shows that our most serious weakness is the continually increasing accounts and notes receivable which is reflected by the large amount of our assets represented by those items on our current balance sheet and our weak position. The extension of credit by a Cooperative Association is not according to the Rochdale Principles of Cooperation and not sound practice. I am convinced that we must sooner or later discontinue this service to our customers in the interest of efficiency. Your board of directors is now giving this matter careful thought and study in connection with next year's plan for operations.

The C. C. A. of Kansas City, who has for a number of years been our supplier of petroleum products on a cooperative basis, is expanding their

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operations to include a farm tractor of advance design and groceries, both on a wholesale basis. We have already purchased some groceries from them and I hope it will be possible for our Association to handle these tractors.

This Cooperative connection for our supply of groceries, I am sure will prove highly beneficial. The National Cooperatives Incorporated has a buying power which permits of savings and is gradually providing an outlet for quantities of Consumers goods which will permit their manufacture. In fact they are now roasting coffee, manufacturing paint, and grease, blending lubricating oils and have developed and manufactured their own Co-op tractor.

I cannot close this annual report without mentioning the fact that we have an almost ideal setup in many ways. First, our members are all members of the Kansas Farmers Union, the most militant general farm organization which has been for years, and still is, doing good work in the educational field and in support of legislation beneficial to farmers. Second, we are a stockholder of the C. C. A., who, on account of their national and international connections are able to supply consumers goods on an advantageous basis. Third, through the Farmers Union Jobbing Association we have the services of the Farmers National Grain Corporation available. Those connections, in addition to our sound local organization with a large strong financial position and efficient personal makes me hopeful that this organization will be able to do its full share in advancing the cooperative cause in years to come.

I am proud to have my small part in this development and assure you that should I be your manager for another year, I will continue to give my best efforts toward the maintaining of sound business practice and a sound educational program.

Respectfully submitted,
Clifford Miller,
Secretary-Manager.

With the membership campaign going on, now is the time for all members in the state to be doing the same thing at the same time.

BROADCASTS OF INTEREST

(Continued from page one)

WBZ, Boston; WBZA, Springfield; WMAL, Washington; WHAM, Rochester; KDKA, Pittsburgh; WBAL, Baltimore; WGAR, Cleveland; WGEF, Chicago; KWK, St. Louis; WREN, Lawrence; WKYZ, Detroit; WKY, Covington; WLW, Cincinnati; WSYR, Syracuse; WRVA, Richmond; WHITE, Raleigh; WJAX, Jacksonville; WIOD, Miami Beach; WWNC, Asheville; WIS, Columbia; WFLA, Tampa; WHO, Des Moines; WOW, Omaha; WDAF, Kansas City; KOA, Denver; KSTP, St. Paul; WIBA, Madison; WEBC, Superior; WDAY, Fargo; WSM, Nashville; WMC, Memphis; WSB, Atlanta; KAPL, Birmingham; WJDX, Jackson; WSMB, New Orleans; KTB, Shreveport; KVOO, Tulsa; WKY, Oklahoma City; KPRC, Houston; WOAI, San Antonio; WFAA, Dallas; KTHS, Hot Springs; WIRE, Indianapolis; KFVR, Bismark; WSOC, Charlotte; WAVE, Louisville; WTAR, Norfolk; WFL, Philadelphia. On Saturdays only, the following stations also carry the National Farm and Home Hour: KFI, Los Angeles; KOMO, Seattle; KTAR, Phoenix; KHQ, Spokane; KGIR, Butte; KGH, Billings; KPO, San Francisco; KFSD, San Diego.

The success of the 1936 Membership Campaign depends on the wholehearted cooperation of every one who believes in cooperation and organization.

YOU KEEP ON PAYING FOR WAR

Few people know it, but we are still paying for the War of 1812. According to the annual report of Brigadier General Frank T. Hines, administrator of veterans' affairs, three widows and one daughter are receiving pensions from that war.

The total expenditures of the veterans' administration during the last fiscal year amounted to \$605,573,274.31.

It has been estimated that the veterans' bonus and relief costs from the World War alone will finally amount to between twenty and twenty-five million dollars.

WHO narrowed the spread in butterfat prices?

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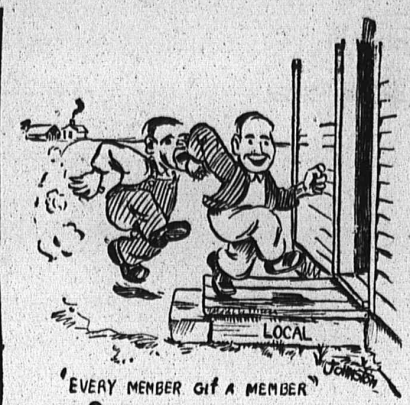
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HAVE YOU

made any definite plans for the campaign in your Local or County Union?

HAVE YOU

actually contacted any of your neighbors, urging them to become members of the organization which

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Get in line with progressive and cooperating farmers all over the state by helping to build your Local up to the membership strength it should have.

Try to double the membership in your Local. It may not be as hard to do as you think.

You believe in strength of cooperation; so cooperate with other members, form a team of membership workers, and go in pairs, bunches or droves, and round up your neighbors.

This can be a good Farmers Union Year in your Local.