

# Farmers Union Join Support of 'White Spot'

### Meetings at Omaha Favor the Movement to Advertise Nebraska Throughout Nation.

OMAHA, Feb. 12.—Ten Nebraska farmers attending the state Farmers Union convention in Omaha, praised the Nebraska White Spot advertising campaign for calling attention to this state's normally abundant farm crops and other advantages Nebraska offers to food processors.

All of them also stressed Nebraska's financial and tax situation as one of the most important factors in interesting new industries to locate here.

"I think it's a very good plan to advertise Nebraska and increase the demand for our farm products, rather than to curtail production," M. B. Jordan, of Kearney, declared. "Nebraska is in a sound financial condition with no need to add new forms

of taxes or seek to shift present taxes by adopting such levies as the sales tax," he added.

"It's a good plan to tell the world about Nebraska, for in comparison with other states we are in mighty fine condition," Alex Campbell of Kearney, commented. "There may be ways of improving our tax program," he added, "but addition of new forms of taxes won't do it. It would help a great deal if mortgages were to be taxed and the great amount of personal property now escaping taxation were ferreted out and assessed its share. If this were done our property taxes could be reduced even more than it has been."

"It's just what Nebraska needs," Ben Howell, of Ravenna, said regarding the White Spot advertising campaign. "We are in good financial condition and have been able to get by without any state indebtedness. We are over the hump of the depression, and if Nebraska gets normal rainfall we will produce an abundance of raw materials for manufacturing."

J. D. Goertz, president of the Gage County Farmers Union, of Beatrice, expressed the hope that Nebraska

would not be looked upon by job-seekers as an "oasis in a desert" and come flocking here ahead of the industrial development of the state. "It is, however, a good thing to get industries to locate here," he said. "As a whole we do have a right to brag about Nebraska's resources and financial condition. The only revision I could suggest for our tax program would be to lower the gasoline tax to make it uniform with that in surrounding states."

"We have the resources for industry. Our taxation and financial situation is above par as compared with other states, and with our present economical state government we can look for continued improvement and further decreases in our tax levies without resorting to any new forms of taxes," D. J. Foley, president of the Farmers Union elevator at Hemingford, said.

Otto Bentzen of Naper praised the White Spot advertising campaign and added that Nebraska's constitutional provision which prevents state bond issues has been this state's greatest blessing. "It is that which has kept Nebraska from going into debt and from the necessity of pay-

ing double through principal and interest for public works and government expenditures," he explained. "Being debt free Nebraska has had no need for those many nuisance taxes other states have been forced to add to pay their debts."

Iver Johnson of Stanton said he favors the White Spot campaign so long as it keeps itself free from politics. He, too, believes that Nebraska has many advantages for industry, among them its freedom from nuisance taxes. "On a trip into nearby states last summer," he said, "I got so tired of forever paying sales taxes that I'm thoroughly against such a tax. In answer to people of those states who predicted that Nebraska would soon join other states in levying sales taxes, I replied again and again that Nebraska never would add such taxes, as our state is debt free and doesn't need any new taxes."

"Although agriculture, in my opinion still pays more than its share of taxes, that situation cannot be remedied by adding new forms of taxes," M. Witzenberg, president of the Farmers Union Cooperative Insurance company, of Grand Island,

declared. "Seeking new industries to increase our farm markets and opportunities for labor is certainly a move in the right direction," he added.

More industries, such as corn alcohol distilleries, scattered over the state, would be of great benefit to Nebraska, Emil Broberg of Newman Grove, said. "The Nebraska White Spot campaign should be of great benefit in stimulating our industrial development," he added.

"Boost our home state as much as possible, for Nebraska, has a great future, Emil Becker of Clarks, a former director of both the state and national Farmers Union, prophesied. "We can lick subnormal crops by irrigation. We should encourage home manufacture of Nebraska's raw materials, and we should not, of course, penalize industry by adding new forms of taxes as has been done in so many states that are loaded down with debts."

Housewives will find the Betty Crocker column most interesting. It's just another of the improved features the Journal is bringing to its readers.

Want ads sell all kinds of odd household goods.

## CHINESE CLAIM JAPS STOPPED

SHANGHAI, China, Feb. 11 (UP)—Chinese claimed today that the western advance of Japanese troops had been checked at Seullipo on the central front where Chinese forces repulsed the Japanese vanguard.

It was claimed also that the Chinese had made a successful counter attack against Hwaiyuan from the west after consolidating their positions.

Heavy artillery exchanges were reported continuing across the Kwei river which the Japanese had not yet crossed.

Chinese reports said that serious fighting took place at Liutu when Japanese attacked. Both sides suffered heavy casualties it was said.

It was reported that Chinese troops were forced to retreat from Wuhu which they reportedly retook after 10,000 Japanese were withdrawn and sent to Nanjing to meet an expected Chinese attack there. The Chinese said that Japanese reinforcements sent back to Wuhu forced their withdrawal after heavy fighting.

## BIG FAMILIES ON FARM NO LONGER THE CUSTOM

BERKELEY, Cal. (UP)—The old-time tradition of big families on the farm has gone out of date just as much as the custom of having large families in the city, a survey by Prof. George M. Peterson of the University of California reveals.

Statistics gathered in California show that the average farm family consists of 3.65 individuals; as against 5.3 for Japanese and 4.38 for the Negroes.

Peterson points out the farm birth-rate in California is fast approaching the French peasant ideal of a one-son family.

## GEN. VON FRITSCH IS UNDER OBSERVATION

LONDON, Feb. 10 (UP)—The Daily Express reported today that Col.-Gen. Werner Von Fritsch, who resigned as commander-in-chief of the German army as part of the shakeup of February 4, was under observation by the secret police along with 13 other army and air force generals whose retirement was ordered.

The Daily Express asserted that all officers under observation were suspected of being members of a monarchist group and that the observation under which they were kept approximated a state of confinement to barracks.

## URGE USE OF MORE EGGS

LINCOLN, Feb. 12 (UP)—Nebraska poultry producers are planning to participate actively in a national campaign starting March 14 to stimulate consumption of eggs during the spring months, J. R. Reddit, state extension poultryman said today.

Purpose of the campaign is to keep the supply of cold eggs to a minimum. There are fewer hens on farms now but they are laying more eggs.

A similar campaign last year in which grocers cooperated increased consumption 16 per cent.

## PRESIDENT HONORS LINCOLN

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12 (UP)—President Roosevelt today paid homage to the memory of Abraham Lincoln at services at the Lincoln memorial here.

Mr. Roosevelt accompanied by Mrs. Roosevelt and his military and naval aides motored to the memorial and participated in the services which included the laying of a wreath at the base of the Lincoln statue.

Colonel Edwin M. Watson, Sr., White House military aide acted for the president in placing the wreath.

## HIGH SCHOOL TRAINS DRIVERS

BERKELEY, Cal. (UP)—The high school here has added an auto driving course to its curriculum for the purpose of teaching students "intelligent and sane driving." A dual control car constitutes the "laboratory" material.

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## SUSPEND PRICES

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11 (UP)—The U. S. circuit-court of appeals today signed orders temporarily suspending minimum prices established December 16 by the national bituminous coal commission for 209 railroads and two mining companies.

Ruling that sufficient showing of injury had been made to warrant temporary suspension of the minimum prices the court stayed application of the price schedule pending final judicial review of the legality of the minima.

The court did not rule on validity of the coal commission's act but merely sustained the plaintiffs in their demand for relief pending final determination of legality of the minima.

Railroads affected in the order are members of the American Association of Railroads and the American Short Line Railroads association. The mining companies are the Saxon Coal-mining company and the Enos Coal Mining company, both of Indiana.

## LUCKY URGED LOANS TO THE SMALL BUSINESS MAN

OMAHA, Feb. 11 (UP)—The loans to small business men proposal recently enunciated by President Roosevelt originally was the idea of Congressman Henry B. Luckey of Lincoln, the first district congressman's friends here said today.

Two years ago Luckey made the suggestion to the House Banking committee. It was well received and the first district congressman was asked to draft a tentative bill. The bill was drawn up by A. Staderman of Luckey's secretarial staff. Hearings were had on the measure, but nothing was done with it.

Testimony at the hearings predicted many of the things which have since happened to the little business man. Luckey's friends who read the evidence, asserted.

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Baseball Personalities - Left Cecil Travis, slugging shortstop of the Washington Senators, gets in shape for his drive on the American League batting championship next season. Right Jimmy Dykes, manager of the Chicago White Sox, achieved his life-long desire to be a fireman when the Oakmont, Pa. Volunteer Fire Department recently made him an honorary member of their company.



Icicle Turns Cat - Boston, Mass. - Thawed out with hot water bottles and a radiator, this cat, after being rescued from a sheath of ice in a sewer, hardly seems the worse for her experience.



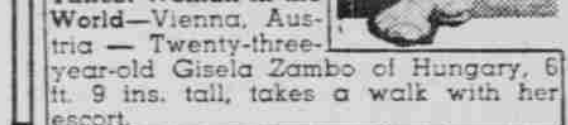
Hits the Spot - Ann Sheridan, judging from the condition of this target, would make a swell running mate for Dan Cupid.



Beauty Represents City - Venice, Calif. - Miss Jean Myros, sunning herself on the beach here, was chosen to represent this city in all winter sports activities to be held in the mountains—two and one-half hours from her seaside home.



That's what these hundred youngsters take—2,200,000 steps each 24 hours—and their activity is being put to good use by a large manufacturer who employs them to test newly developed sneakers, articles and other footwear, by actually wearing them before they are put on the market. Consumers Information cites this as its latest example of the methods of modern American industry, which utilizes innumerable tests, both in the field and in the laboratory, in its efforts to provide new and better products.



Tallest Woman in the World - Vienna, Austria - Twenty-three-year-old Gisela Zambor of Hungary, 8 ft. 9 ins. tall, takes a walk with her escort.



Barbara's Son - St. Moritz, Switzerland - Lance, the one year and nine months old son of Countess Haugwitz von Reventlow, the former Barbara Hutton, Woolworth heiress.



Walking Five-and-Ten Store - Phila., Pa. - Edward McCormick, as he appeared in the annual Mummers' Parade recently, when 18,000 'showers' danced five miles through the streets.



Five Champions - Coral Gables, Fla. - Watching a first tee shot are, left to right: Katherine Rawls, Olympic swimming star; Betty Grant, Jr., No. 4 ranking tennis player; Bobby Riggs, tennis ace who ranks No. 2; Denny Shute, pro golf champion, and Ralph Guldahl, National Open Golf Champion.



World's Smallest Baby Celebrates Birthday - Chicago, Ill. - Jacqueline Jean Benson, who weighed 12 ounces at birth, presents a picture of health as she points to her doll, on the occasion of her 2nd birthday.

TAXES 26.6¢ AMOUNT LEFT TO BUY GASOLINE 73.4¢

Deflation is Here! - Chart shows how 26.6 cents taxes, collected by state and federal governments, deflate the gasoline dollar by reducing its buying power to 73.4 cents. These data, revealing a 35 per cent retail sales tax on motor fuel, show the national average based upon reports from a survey of retail gasoline prices and taxes made by the American Association of State Highway Officials.



For Skiing and Skating - The ski ensemble at the left is the made in Paris. The British ice skater, is popular with skaters at St. Moritz.



Silk Stockings Lend Allure - To these lovely American women shown discussing their objections to the silk boycott. They are among the millions who refuse to join in the campaign lest America be harmed far more than Japan. Experts say that the raw silk from the cocoons (shown here) represents only about 10 cents of the purchase price of a dollar pair of stockings, the other 90 cents going to American workers and industry. They fear, too, that a widespread boycott would cost us our third most important foreign market.