

## Farmers Need Aid of Business Men, Committee Is Told

### Officers and Directors of State Union in Meeting With Chamber of Commerce Agricultural Body.

The needs and aims of the farming industry were presented to the agricultural committee of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce by the officers and directors of the Nebraska Farmers' union at a luncheon yesterday. Through Carl R. Gray, chairman of the committee and president of the Union Pacific railway system, the business men expressed their desire to help restore prosperous conditions on the farm.

"There are people in this city who are hungry, and a few hundred miles away there is food rotting in the ground for a lack of a market," H. G. Keeney, a farmer of Cowles, Neb., told them. "It is the duty of the city people as well as of farmers, to bring producers and consumers into closer contact. The problem can never be entirely solved without the aid of the business men. There are too many engaged in the business of handling farm products, and freight rates are too high."

#### Farmers Under Handicap.

Mr. Gray in turn remarked that the railroads knew that the farmers were under a handicap in shipping their products, and that the rate structure would have to be revised in such a way as to give low priced and bulky farm products lower rates. He said that previous reductions of freight rates had been made unwillingly, "by the ax method" of chopping rates on all sorts of commodities instead of considering each class separately. He told of buying new engines at \$80,000 each, double the pre-war cost, and of the general increase in the expenses of railroad operation.

"Farmers need two things most," said A. A. Elmore, former president of the Oregon Farmers' union. "One of these is better marketing methods and the other is credit for orderly marketing." He told of thousands of boxes of apples dumped in the Wenatchee river because it did not pay to ship them to market.

#### To Eliminate Waste.

C. J. Osborne, president of the Nebraska Farmers' union, spoke of the efforts of the organized farmers to eliminate waste and install business-like methods in the distribution of their products, pointing out that more profit for the farmers meant more purchasing power, and hence more business for those who sell goods to the farmers. J. O. Shroyer of Humboldt, vice president, discussed credit legislation.

The agricultural committee recently petitioned congress for the early passage of a new rural credit act and for the suspension of payments due from the irrigation farmers of western Nebraska. At yesterday's meeting it invited the national irrigation congress to meet in Omaha.

#### City of Hastings Wins

**in 75,000 Damage Suit**  
Hastings, Neb., Jan. 12.—(Special)—The jury in the district court found for the defendant in the suit of Otto Koehn of Norfolk against the city of Hastings for \$75,000 damages which he demanded as payment as administrator of the estate of his wife, who was killed by a pike pole projecting from a city truck here in July, 1916, while she was riding in a taxicab.

**Farmer Robbed of \$532.**  
Beatrice, Neb., Jan. 12.—(Special)—Thieves entered the home of Thomas Remmers, farmer living near Filley, and stole \$532, which he had placed in a drawer after he had sold several loads of grain at the town of Virginia.

### Crippled Woman Struck in Face by Prowler

A night prowler struck terror to the heart of Mrs. Emma Overling, 4007 North Forty-second street Thursday night when he aroused her by breaking in the window of the room where she was sleeping and demanding admittance.

Mrs. Overling, who has been a cripple for eight years, said that she was badly frightened but went to the back door in her wheel chair to let the marauder in. He claimed that he wanted to get warm. Once inside he cursed her and struck her in the face, according to Mrs. Overling, who was thrown to the floor by the blow.

The man departed, apparently moved by her pleas, but it was daylight before the crippled woman recovered sufficiently to notify neighbors of the incident. Her husband, Theodore Overling, is in the hospital. Doctors have been assigned to the case.

### Contempt Citation to Be Asked in U. S. Court

Hastings, Neb., Jan. 12.—(Special)—Papers are being prepared, F. P. Olmstead said today, in an application which will go to Federal District Judge Munger at Omaha for an order to cite the county attorney, sheriff and county judge of Clay county for contempt for their refusal to release George Elgrett, a Clay county farmer, from custody on the order of Judge Norberg, referee in bank ruptcy.

Mr. Olmstead said that Elgrett would offer his appearance bond to Judge Krebs at Clay Center. The Clay county arrest was made on the charge of selling mortgaged wheat. Elgrett's bond was fixed at \$1,000. Because he was in custody in Clay county, he was unable to appear in bankruptcy court here for a meeting with creditors.

#### Chain Stores Will Give All Employes Insurance

Fairbury, Neb., Jan. 12.—(Special)—E. J. Hested, who is at the head of The Hested Stores company at Fairbury, Beatrice, Geneva, Auburn, Hebron, Superior and Holdrege, will furnish all his employes, who have been on the payroll for 30 days, a life insurance policy and keep it in force as long as the individual remains in his employ.

After a service of two years the policy will be increased to \$1,000. In case of total disability or death, the insurance will be paid to relatives or dependants. The object is to make the employes feel a closer interest in the affairs of the company and encourage continuous service.

#### Scottsbluff Will Pave 20 Business Blocks

Scottsbluff, Neb., Jan. 12.—(Special)—Rejecting the pleas of residents of Fourth avenue to grant a petition for paving seven blocks of that thoroughfare, the Scottsbluff city council, instead, ordered plans made for going ahead with the paving of the business district of the city, and gave protesting property owners a right to file objections within 20 days.

The proposed district was formed in 1919, but never paved because of soaring costs. Unless 51 per cent of the interested property objects, it will be paved this spring, and will comprise a total of 20 blocks.

One residence section of Scottsbluff was paved last fall.

#### Man Who Fell From Window Dies, Victim of Pneumonia

Grand Island, Neb., Jan. 12.—(Special)—W. H. Hansell, who came here from Loveland, Colo., in December for treatment, and whose fall Wednesday night from an upper story window to the cement pavement resulted in a fractured wrist, died today, physicians certifying the cause of death to have been pneumonia.

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### Mystery Clouds Pastor's Suicide

Ex-Rector of St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church in N. Y. Shoots Self.

New York, Jan. 12.—The motive for the apparent suicide of Rev. Dr. Percy Gordon, former assistant rector of St. Bartholomew's Episcopal church, whose body was found yesterday in a bathtub in his apartment in the Wolcott, remained undiscovered today.

There was a bullet wound in his right temple and a revolver with one empty chamber lay beneath his right hand.

The contents of two letters, found near the body and evidently written shortly before he had shot himself, were not made public.

One of the letters was addressed

to Dr. Leighton Parks, rector of St. Bartholomew's, and the other to Dr. Gordon's son, George, an under-secretary of the American embassy in Paris.

Dr. Gordon resigned from St. Bartholomew's about six months ago. Soon afterwards, he sailed for Europe. Only a few of his close friends knew he had returned to America. They said he seemed nervous and apparently was not benefited by his sea voyage.

Dr. Gordon was separated from his wife several years ago and she now lives in Florida.

Barrows Files \$1,800 Claim for Acting as Governor

Lincoln, Jan. 12.—(Special)—Former Lieutenant Governor P. A. Barrows filed a claim with the house committee on claims and deficiencies for \$1,801.54. It covers 185 days which Mr. Barrows served as acting governor. Barrows recently sued the state to recover after the auditor refused to draw warrants for his claim.

Selection of officers was held. How-

### Soda Water Makers in Convention Here

Nebraska soda water manufacturers held their annual meeting at the Fontenelle hotel yesterday. Registration, address of welcome by Mayor James C. Dahlman and reports of the president, secretary and treasurer consumed the morning.

Sidney W. Lee, president of the American Bottlers of Carbonated Beverages addressed the meeting. Thomas Zazek, chief inspector of food and drugs, read a paper on "Co-operation Between Manufacturers and State Officials;" C. C. Buchanan of the Buchanan Advertising company gave a brief talk on "You and Your Advertising Problems;" C. B. Cheshire, vice president of the American Bottlers of Carbonated Beverages, spoke on "The Years Gone By, the Years to Come."

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ard M. Goulding of Omaha was elected president; John Rohrig of Lincoln, vice president, and O. H. Zumwinkel, secretary and treasurer. William Yeager of Omaha, J. M. Silver of Superior, and W. J. Fischer of West Point, were elected trustees. There were about 60 members in attendance. A banquet at the Fontenelle hotel closed the meeting.

### Irrigation Commissioners Will Meet at North Platte

Ogallala, Neb., Jan. 12.—(Special)—A meeting of the irrigation commissioners of Colorado and Nebraska will be held in North Platte Saturday. Settlement of disputed waters of the South Platte will be made if possible, in order to hurry the work on the Keith, Deuel, Perkins and Lincoln county tableland project. Settlement of the law suit now in United States supreme court between the western irrigation district of Keith county and Colorado over prior rights on the river will also be undertaken. The meeting will be attended by a number of in-

terested citizens from Grant, Ogallala, Brule and Paxton.

### Scotia Farmer Wounded by Friend at Wolf Hunt

Scotia, Neb., Jan. 12.—(Special)—J. V. Sautter was accidentally shot by his friend, Louis Schilling, when both men were after the same wolf in the annual wolf hunt staged by men of Scotia and vicinity.

The injured man was brought to town and Dr. Frandsen found several shot had entered his shoulder and a number were imbedded in the knee. Both men are prominent young farmers.

The accident stopped the hunt. Three wolves were killed.

### Clarks Loses Fair.

Central City, Neb., Jan. 12.—(Special)—At the annual meeting of the Merrick County Fair association held in Clarks, it was voted to transfer the fair from Clarks to Central City.

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