

### Better Times Are Ahead for Farmer, Claim

#### Note of Optimism Sounded by Union President and Secretary—Work of Organization Praised.

"We are justified in our pride for our organization, and we are more than justified for our faith that better times are at hand for American farmers," declared Charles S. Barrett, president of the National Farmers' union, in his talk before that body in Hotel Castle Wednesday morning.

"The Farmers' union through years of experience has been at last successful in driving home the principles on which such an improvement must be based."

A. C. Davis of Springfield, Mo., secretary-treasurer of the union, gave his annual report Wednesday, declaring that while not all of the union's moves had been successful, still its "larger activities have shown such a marked success and their transactions have been so highly remunerative to its membership that the few failures have hardly made a ripple at the surface."

#### Millions Invested.

"The membership now has millions of dollars invested in co-operative elevators, flour mills, lumber and coal yards, stores, creameries, state exchanges, cotton gins and tanneries," said Secretary Davis. "In addition to the millions of dollars in co-operative turnover of these capitalized institutions, the membership shares in the co-operative profits of numerous non-profit commodity marketing associations."

Secretary Davis spoke of the recent effort to sell grain at terminal markets, declaring that the first month of business by the Nebraska farmers' union on the market at Omaha, where it acquired a seat on the exchange a short time ago, "is remarkable for the fact that a co-operative institution made a profit the first 30 days of operation."

"The farmers organized the first Co-operative Livestock Commission company ever attempted in the United States," continued Secretary Davis. "This company began business in the Omaha yards some years ago, and was so successful that the union has its own selling agencies in St. Joseph, Mo., Sioux City, Ia., Kansas City, Mo., South St. Paul, Minn., Chicago, Denver, Wichita, and affiliates with the Missouri Farmers association in the East St. Louis market."

#### National Organizer Speaks.

A third talk which occupied the attention of the convention was by W. C. Lansdon, national organizer and lecturer. Commenting on the recent formation meeting of the National Advisory Wheat committee in Chicago, Mr. Lansdon explained that "it is the plan of the committee to support and assist all existing wheat organizations that are properly constituted and in this work it desires, and if successful must have, the confidence and active support of all interests, agricultural or otherwise."

"The Farmers union is in position, in most of the big wheat states, to make or break the wheat pooling movement. I feel that this is a matter that should have serious consideration at this meeting."

#### Pinchot on Program.

Reports of executive committee and other committees were heard at the morning meeting. The educational committee in its report, urges that the law which makes it necessary for the child to get at least a practical education be enforced, and also urges a rigid censorship of motion pictures.

Governor Gifford Pinchot of Pennsylvania, was to address the convention Wednesday afternoon.

#### Will Use Explosives to Clear Off Stumpy Land

Syracuse, Neb., Nov. 21.—A carload of dynamite, a government explosive, was unloaded at Dunbar the last of the week for use by Otoo and Cass county farmers by County Agent E. Long. This explosive will be used for clearing land of stumps and ditching work and was all taken out the day it was unloaded. A lot of this work is being done in this community by land owners and is proving very profitable as well as an easy way of clearing land.

#### Callaway Legion Post Elects New Officers

Callaway, Neb., Nov. 21.—Callaway post of the American Legion held its annual election of officers. The following were chosen: C. F. Brabham, commander; Frank Legola, adjutant; and C. M. Frederick, finance officer. Paul Chase, sergeant-at-arms, was re-elected, as were the members of the executive committee, J. C. Overgard, R. D. Bryson and W. F. Haycock. T. W. Brynkof was chosen as chaplain.

#### Forty Wool Dresses Values Up to \$35.00 on Sale

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#### Cotton Crosses 35 Cents

New York, Nov. 21.—December cotton crossed 35 cents shortly after the opening of the market today, a new high record for the season and the highest price since 1920. It rose to 35.10 on heavy mill and commission house buying.

### Governor Pinchot Here Says Dry Law Effective in Pennsylvania

#### Noted State Executive and Friend of Late President Roosevelt Addresses Farmers' Convention.



Gifford Pinchot

"The prohibition law is being enforced in Pennsylvania."

This statement was made by no less authority than Gifford Pinchot, governor of Pennsylvania.

Governor Pinchot, who since the death of Senator Penrose has become a great political figure in his own state and in the nation, arrived in Omaha Wednesday to address the National Farmers' union convention at Hotel Castle.

"I'm sorry, but I can't talk politics," said Governor Pinchot, and he really seemed to regret the fact. "I'm here to talk to the farmers, and for no other reason. I'll hold no political conferences either while I'm in Omaha."

"How about prohibition? That really isn't a political question, is it?" the question was asked.

"No, I can talk about prohibition freely. We are enforcing prohibition in Pennsylvania. We're doing it with the aid of the state police."

"No, I wouldn't care to give advice to other states on how prohibition should be enforced. I only want to say the first serious effort to enforce prohibition in Pennsylvania is being made and we are making real progress."

Governor Pinchot said progress in clearing up the coal situation is being made.

"A satisfactory market for farm products is the fundamental need of the farmer and this can be aided by extension of co-operative endeavor and construction of deep waterways," said Governor Pinchot.

"Co-operation, more than any other

single remedy, points out the way," continued the governor, emphasizing his belief that the farmers' market lies mainly in American towns and cities.

"We need an enormous increase of co-operation—co-operative storage, co-operative buying and co-operative selling by farmers. We also need to see production adapted to the market."

Distribution is the farmers' next biggest problem, the governor believes. So long as it costs as much or more to market what the farmer grows as it does to grow it, the consumer will pay too much for his food and the farmer get too little for his crops, he declared.

### Ford Man Compares Declares Tin Wizard Maintains Indifference Henry With Lincoln

Henry Ford was compared with Abraham Lincoln at the Castle hotel by Robert R. Pointer of Dearborn, Mich., secretary of the Dearborn Ford-for-President club, and chairman of the committee on arrangement of Independent-Farmer-Labor-Progressive-Liberal elements in progress at the hotel.

The chief point of likeness appeared to be Mr. Pointer's conviction that Mr. Ford is not seeking the presidency, that the presidency is seeking him.

"He wouldn't give a dime to be nominated," Mr. Pointer declared. "He wouldn't contribute to any campaign fund."

"What party would he affiliate with?" Mr. Pointer was asked.

"Wait until after the meeting on December 12 at Dearborn of the people who want him to run," was the answer.

#### Man Who Sued for Child's Death Loses Damage Case

Lincoln, Nov. 21.—A verdict for the defendants was directed by Federal Judge Munger here this afternoon in a damage case brought against the city of Crete, Edward G. Campbell and Televina Jednota sokel by Fred Rethmeier.

Rethmeier, whose infant son lost his life through electrocution while playing about the stage during the rehearsal of a play that was to have been produced by the sokel, claimed \$10,000 damages for negligence.

The baby was almost instantly killed when he touched an electric switch.

Judge Munger found that the baby had no part in the play and the defendants owed no responsibility to him, except that nothing should be done to actually hurt him.

### Burgess Bedtime Stories

By THORNTON W. BURGESS.

Also, how often "is our fate, Mistakes to recognize too late." —Nanny Meadow Mouse.

#### The New Home Is Discovered.

Because no human folk had for several days been near the airplane resting on the Green Meadows near the edge of Farmer Brown's cornfield Danny and Nanny Meadow Mouse had made up their minds that they would not be disturbed there. They had made up their minds that the big man-bird was to be left there and would fly no more. They had built a splendid nest in a tiny cupboard in the man-bird and now spent all their time there, excepting when they were out hunting for food.

So it happened that early one morning they were surprised by the aviator and Farmer Brown's Boy. Danny and Nanny had been out most of the night and were asleep in their nest in that tiny cupboard, so that they did not hear the approach of their visitors. They were awakened by voices. Nanny poked her head out to see what it meant. Then she drew it back again in a hurry, but she was too late. Farmer Brown's Boy had seen her.

"There's a Meadow Mouse in that little cupboard," he said to his cousin, the aviator.

"Probably it is the same one that made my last trip with me," replied his cousin. "I wonder if by any chance he has made a nest in there."

He climbed into the machine and



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opened the little cupboard door still wider. At once he saw the new nest in there. He chuckled as he partly closed the door. "There's a nest in there," he said. "As sure as you live, there is a nest in there. That little scamp has come back. I believe I'll make a regular flier of him. I have a notion to take him down south with me this winter. We'll keep still a while and see if he will come out."

So the aviator and Farmer Brown's Boy kept perfectly still. They waited and waited. At last Danny poked his head out. Then he came wholly out. The aviator and Farmer Brown's Boy kept perfectly still. They wanted to see what he would do. Farmer Brown's Boy happened to glance at the door of that little cupboard. Nanny Meadow Mouse was peeping out. Then Farmer Brown's Boy moved. Nanny disappeared. Danny ran back into the little cupboard.

Farmer Brown's Boy laughed right out. "You've got a pair of them in there," said he. "They've actually made their home in that little cupboard. Why don't you take both along?"

"I will," said the aviator, and, reaching over, he closed the little cupboard door. "I didn't expect to take any passengers on this trip," he continued, "but as long as these little scamps have made their home here I believe I'll take them along. Run back up to the house and get that cage I used before."

"All right," said Farmer Brown's Boy and away he went. Presently he returned, bringing the cage in which Danny had traveled on such a wonderful journey.

#### West Point to Sell \$63,500 Intersection Paving Bonds

West Point, Neb., Nov. 21.—The city council has authorized the sale of \$63,500 intersection paving bonds. At a recent meeting the levy for district paving was made, and as an inducement to pay early, a special discount will be allowed on all payments made before January 1, after which time paving district bonds will be issued.

### Farmer Praises Grain Exchange

#### Grain Association Official Declares Institution Big Help to Growers.

Belief that the Omaha Grain exchange is a great help to the farmers of Nebraska was expressed Wednesday by M. L. Crandell, Nebraska City, president of the farmers' organization of the Nebraska Farmers' Co-operative Grain and Livestock association. Other members of the organization endorsed Mr. Crandell's statement.

"The Omaha Grain exchange is as essential with us as an elevator," Mr. Crandell said. "It is not a band of men who are out to ruin us, but a constructive organization that aims to help us in every way possible. When the crops are a failure the grain exchange shares our suffering."

#### May Pass Resolution.

It was suggested that a resolution be passed embodying the views of the delegates on the grain exchange.

An address by M. R. Myers, manager of the American Co-operative Publishing company, Chicago, followed the opening of the meeting of the elevator association. Aside from the speech the morning was devoted to routine business.

Three talks, dealing with railroads and their relation to the farmer were heard during the afternoon. A general discussion of problems confronting the Nebraska farmer followed the talks.

#### Banquet Held.

The day closed with a banquet at the Omaha Grain exchange last night. Today will be the final day of the convention and will be devoted to hearing committee reports and to closing the general business of the session.

#### Market in Omaha.

J. W. Shorttill, secretary of the association, told of the necessity for a marketing plan whereby a "farmer's market" would be established in Omaha. The necessity for such a market was not only for the disposal of grain, but for other farm produce.

"The grain and the livestock is well handled from our elevators," Mr. Shorttill said. "But there are other products that are sold in any way possible. Eggs, for instance, often are sold to a store for less than they

would bring in other places. Potatoes, onions and other vegetables are the same way.

"This market would provide for the disposal of all those things. Omaha is suggested as the place for such an institution because of its location."

#### Two Killed in Cave-In.

Fond Du Lac, Wis., Nov. 21.—Two men, Anton Christanson and C. L. Percy, employees of the water department, were killed this morning by a cave-in of a trench on West Twelfth street. The bodies were recovered by the fire department after half hour's work.

#### May Not Join Progressives.

St. Paul, Nov. 21.—The farm-labor party in Minnesota may not join the

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