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This collection contains correspondence regarding indemnities for cattle killed by tuberculosis, concerns over the findings of veterinary inspection, discussion of an outbreak of rabies among Kansas dogs that affected cattle, complaints of veterinary treatments killing animals, and general discussion about livestock diseases. The correspondence is mostly between the Livestock Sanitary Commissioner and various livestock owners throughout Kansas.

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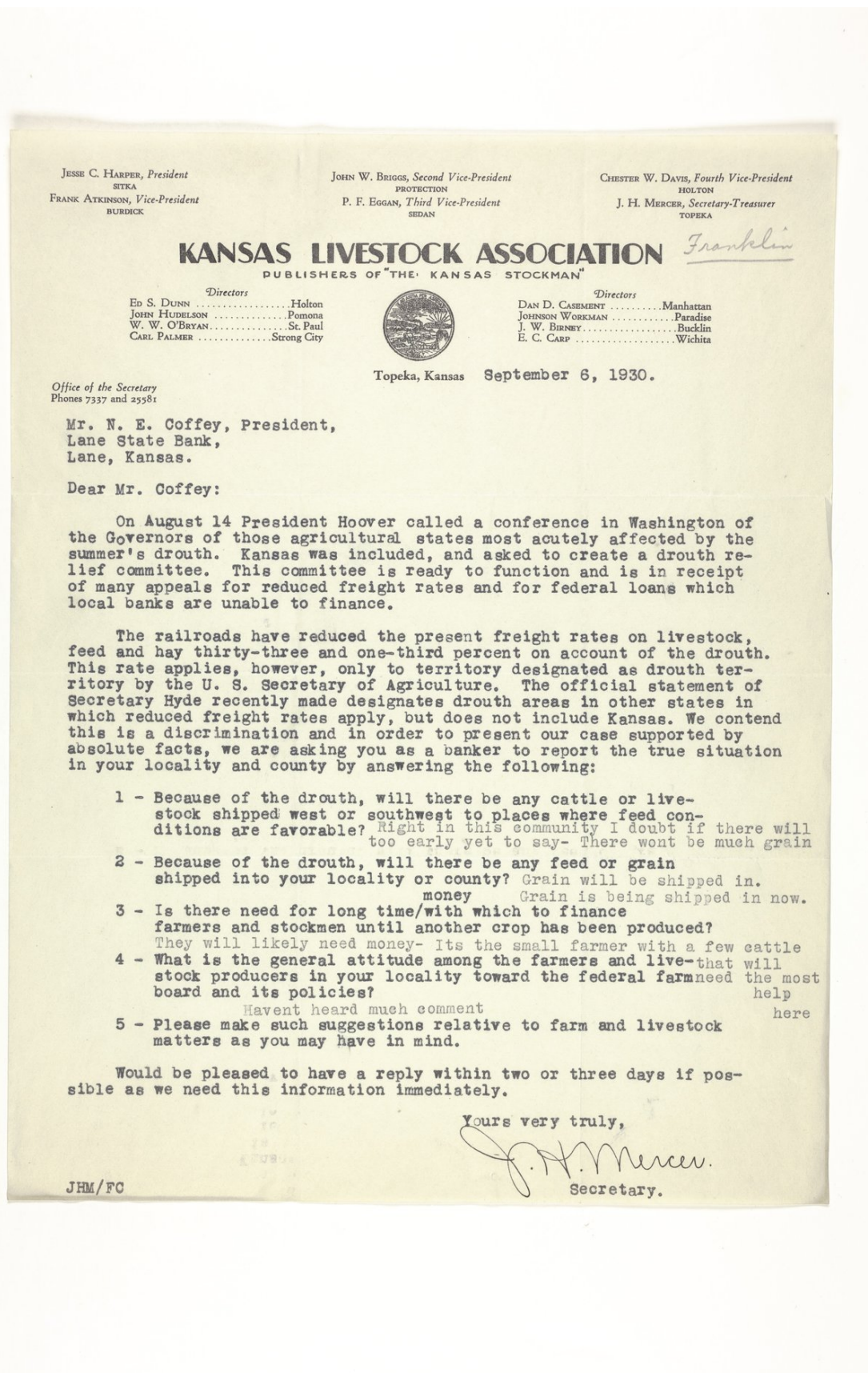
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Topeka, Kansas September 5, 1930.

Mr. Hale Powers,
Junction City, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Power:

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- 1 - Because of the drouth, will there be any cattle or livestock shipped west or southwest to places where feed conditions are favorable? *A great many cattle will be shipped back Texas*
- 2 - Because of the drouth, will there be any feed or grain shipped into your locality or county? *yes*
- 3 - Is there need for long time money with which to finance farmers and stockmen until another crop has been produced? *yes*
- 4 - What is the general attitude among farmers and livestock producers in your locality towards the federal farm board and its policies? *If they can keep down freight rates and interest rates they will be helping us considerably*
- 5 - Please make such suggestions relative to farm and livestock matters as you may have in mind. *above*

Would be pleased to have a reply within two or three days if possible as we need this information quick.

Yours very truly,
J. H. Mercer
Secretary.

Greenwood

Hamilton Kans

Sept 6 - 1930

Mr. J. H. Merren
Topeka Kans

Friend Jol

Yours of the 6th received
Will try and answer your
questions

No. 1 if there is any full feeding
done in this country grain
and all fat making feeds
will have to be shipped in
Some cattle like heavy skin
out to be put on full feed

No. 2 Yes the bulk of the grain
used will have to be shipped in
Some is coming in now. Cas of
Barley & Cas of Wheat this
week. all for feed

No. 3 Yes long time money is
needed very badly and would
sure be a God send to
this country

No 4 This question is a Hard
one to answer. But the general
feeling as to the Farm Board
in this community as I see it
is that the Board means all
right. But have done damage
to the Farmers By the general
sneer they have caused in
Business. And the fight
that Speculators have made
at the Farm Board, has hurt
the Farmers, more than the
Board has benefited.

We have plenty of Range feed
in sight with the use of a
little cotton cake for winter
more cattle than we will have
in sight at present time

Very Truly Yours
T. B. Pratt



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Clinway Banker
Dear Mr. Rice:
E.H.

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- 2nd. Because of drouth, will there be any feed or grain shipped into your locality or county? *Yes, about coming in for hay feed*
- 3rd. Is there need for long time money with which to finance farmers and stockmen until another crop has been produced? *I would like to furnish*
- 4th. What is the general attitude among the farmers and livestock producers in your locality toward the federal farm board and its policies? *They do not understand principle*
- 5th. Please make such suggestions relative to farm and livestock matters as you may have in mind. *Believe every thing will come and if every body*

Would be pleased to have a reply within two or three days if possible as we need this information immediately. *starting for*

Very truly yours,
J.H. Mercer
Secretary

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J. H. Mercer
Secretary

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Neal Kans. Sept 10. 1930

Kansas Live Stock Association
Topeka Kans. Dear Sir. I in answer
to your questions as follows.

question No 1. I think not.

" " 2 Nothing but grain and coke

" " 3 Yes if the interest rate is
around 6%

" " 4 They are not expecting any
relief from it.

" " 5 Reduce the price of thing a
farmer has to buy in line with
the things he has to sell. Our
manufactured articles enjoy too much
tariff.

Sincerely yours
C. W. Boone

Very truly yours,
C. W. Boone

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- 3rd. Is there need for long time money with which to finance farmers and stockmen until another crop has been produced? *yes*
- 4th. What is the general attitude among the farmers and livestock producers in your locality toward the federal farm board and its policies? *they do not thoroughly understand it*
- 5th. Please make such suggestions relative to farm and livestock matters as you may have in mind. *People need light to come back*

Would be pleased to have a reply within two or three days if possible as we need this information immediately.

Very truly yours,
J. H. Mercer
Secretary

over

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Piedmont, Kansas
Sept. 9-1930

Mr. Merri: The people need time
and will need more financial
assistance than the local
banks can extend them.

Yours truly,
W. D. Wilson
Pres

Greenwood Co.

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the following:

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ped west or southward to places where feed conditions are favorable?

2nd. Because of drouth, will there be any feed or grain shipped into
your locality or county?

3rd. Is there need for long time money with which to finance farmers and
stockmen until another crop has been produced?

4th. What is the general attitude among the farmers and livestock produc-
ers in your locality toward the federal loan fund and its policies?

5th. Please make such suggestions relative to farm and livestock matters
as you may have in mind.

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Very truly yours,
[Signature]
Secretary

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Mr. Harry Hover,
Eureka, Kansas.

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- 2 - Because of the drouth, will there be any feed or grain shipped into your locality or county? *All feed & grain will have to be shipped in we have none*
- 3 - Is there need for long time money with which to finance farmers and stockmen until another crop has been produced? *Yes.*
- 4 - What is the general attitude among the farmers and livestock producers in your locality towards the federal farm board and its policies? *Both for and against*
- 5 - Please make such suggestions relative to farm and livestock matters as you may have in mind. *We are entitled to this reduction in freight as an other community.*

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Yours very truly, *H. J. Hoover*

J. H. Mercer
Secretary

JHM/FC



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STATE OF KANSAS

CLYDE M. REED, GOVERNOR

DEPARTMENT OF THE BUDGET

E. L. BARRIER, DIRECTOR

BERTHA WETHERTON

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

TOPEKA

September 8, 1930

Greenwood

Mr. J. H. Mercer, Secretary
Kansas Live Stock Association
Topeka, Kansas

Dear Mr. Mercer:

There will be many cattle shipped south and southwest from Greenwood County on account of feeding conditions and there will be a great deal of grain shipped into that county.

There is need for long-time money to finance farmers and stockmen until another crop has been produced.

Yours very truly,

E. L. Barrier

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W. H. Dalton

Dear Mr. Dalton: *Virgil Kaus*

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Do not think so
- 2nd. Because of drouth, will there be any feed or grain shipped into your locality or county? *Yes*
- 3rd. Is there need for long time money with which to finance farmers and stockmen until another crop has been produced? *No*
- 4th. What is the general attitude among the farmers and livestock producers in your locality toward the federal farm board and its policies?
Do not think they fully understand. Very little said about it
- 5th. Please make such suggestions relative to farm and livestock matters as you may have in mind. *Think there will be the usual number of cattle wintered here. There is more ensilage than usual.*

Would be pleased to have a reply within two or three days if possible as we need this information immediately.

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J. H. Mercer
Secretary



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Severy State Bank

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS
\$25,000.00

Greenwood

SEVERY, KANSAS September 9th 1930

Kansas Livestock Association

Mr. J. H. Mercer Secretary

Topeka Kansas,

I received your Inquiry, as to the need of the Farmers of this southern part of Greenwood County, and in reply will say, there will not be any stock shipped out of this part of the County for want of Feed, as we have plenty of feed to carry all the Stock thru the Winter,

Second, I really think there will half to be some Grain shipped into this County this Fall and Winter,

third, yes I really think the Farmers will need some longtime money to carry them thru until another Crop can be raised,

Fourth, the Farmers in general are verry much interested in this locality as to the Policies of the federal Farm board, but some donot understand just what is Required of them to receive this help.

Yours Truely

S. H. Reed

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Mr. John B. Potter,
Harper, Kansas.

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- 4 - What is the general attitude among the farmers and livestock producers in your locality toward the federal farm board and its policies? *Think it useless, is not functioning and do not believe in being told to reduce.*
- 5 - Please make such suggestions relative to farm and livestock matters as you may have in mind.

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C. F. Claassen, Pres.,
Kansas State Bank,
Newton, Kansas.

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Very truly yours,
J. H. Mercer
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Chas. B. Harling, Pres.,
Farmers' State Bank,
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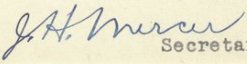
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5. Please make such suggestions relative to farm and livestock matters as you may have in mind. It seems to me that their fate is very much in the hands of their local banker and the Banking Dpt. Would be pleased to have your reply within two or three days if possible as we need this information immediately.

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 Secretary.

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Hesston State Bank,
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2. Because of the drouth, will there be any feed or grain shipped into your locality or county? *I think considerable will be shipped in this season.*
3. Is there need for long time money with which to finance farmers and stockmen until another crop has been produced? *There is some need.*
4. What is the general attitude among the farmers and livestock producers in your locality toward the federal farm board and its policies? *The help the farmers and stockmen in the locality from the federal farm board is not noticeable rather it is a help on other side.*
5. Please make such suggestions relative to farm and livestock matters as you may have in mind. *have received activity*

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Very truly yours,
J. H. Mercer
Secretary.

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The price of farm products with the exception of a few such as hogs corn and cream, are much below normal. It takes so much of the crop etc. at present low price to pay off debts. Would like to see something done in this regard. Corn is you might say a total failure.

Respectfully,
J. H. McMane, Secretary

On August 14, 1930, a conference in Washington of the representatives of agricultural states most acutely affected by the drought in Kansas was held and asked to create a committee to study the situation and to report on the situation in your locality and county by answering the following:

1. Because of the drought, will there be any cattle on other livestock shipped west or southwest to places where feed conditions are favorable?
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Citizens State Bank,
Netawaka, Kansas.

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Secretary.

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S. Bernard, President

S. T. Osterhold, Secretary

Jackson County Oil & Gasoline Company
Edward S. Dunn, Mgr.
Distributors of Shell Products
Holton, Kansas

Jackson

Sept 6 - 1930

J. H. Brown, Esq.
Topeka
Kansas

Dear Mr. Brown:

It will not be many
far us to ship any cattle on
account of drought.

We would like to have a better
rate on corn from Topeka & Iowa so
that we could furnish more cattle
& sheep.

It would be a hard job to get
many of our farmers to borrow much
money from the Farmers Board on
cattle.

I don't think that the Federal Farm
Board is going over very strong
here at this time.

Yours truly
E. S. Dunn

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Bank of Winchester,
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3. Is there need for long time money with which to finance farmers and stockmen until another crop has been produced? *Yes*
4. What is the general attitude among the farmers and livestock producers in your locality toward the federal farm board and its policies? *They don't think much has been done to help*
5. Please make such suggestions relative to farm and livestock matters as you may have in mind. *I would not know what suggestions to make*

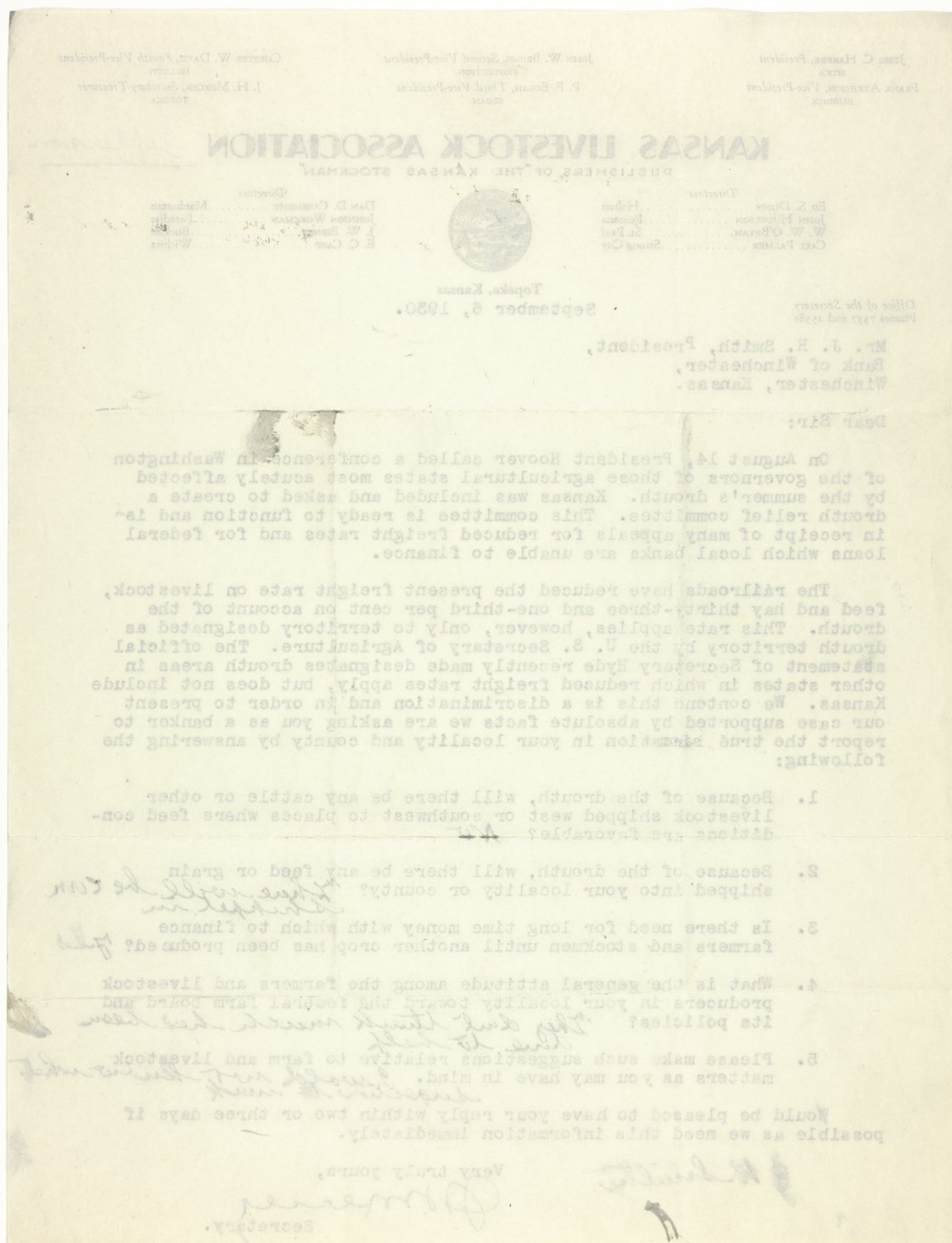
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J. R. Smith

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J. H. Mercer
Secretary.

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3. Is there need for long time money with which to finance farmers and stockmen until another crop has been produced? *Yes*
4. What is the general attitude among the farmers and livestock producers in your locality toward the federal farm board and its policies? *Favorable*
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State Bank of Meriden,
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3. Is there need for long time money with which to finance farmers and stockmen until another crop has been produced? *Yes*
4. What is the general attitude among the farmers and livestock producers in your locality toward the federal farm board and its policies? *Not very good*
5. Please make such suggestions relative to farm and livestock matters as you may have in mind. *Over*

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J. H. Mercer
Secretary.

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These farmers financially able
they inclined to hold their cattle
which I think is a thing
corn will probably make 44 crop
Storage will be sufficient
Kaffir cane promise 88% crop
if frost don't get it
Things look pretty bad
as before
People will not have money if they
can get and use it for things they
should not. We have them
for this reason. And for the
reason they already have all they
should have

Adam Becker Pres.
State Bank of Meriden

I layed this on some or some fly paper
after writing it



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Sept - 9 - 1930

E. L. MORTON, D. D. S.
NORTONVILLE, KANSAS

Mr J. H. Mercer
Topeka 14

Jefferson

Dear Sir:

Your letter of recent date at hand and
Contents noted

Question No 1 No

" " 2 { Some corn shipped in to feeders

" " 3 { In some cases I believe loans would be
advisable to strictly responsible parties

" " 4 Since receiving this letter I ask 10 good
reasonable farmers what they thought of the farm board
and none of the 10 had a good word to say for the board
in fact they believe that prices would have been better

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with out the board, and I really believe any
article bought by this Bd and held for future
marketing is very detrimental to the price
of that article as long as it is held in store
Now we never any time I can be of any
use to you let me know

Yours respect
E. L. Morton

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State Bank of Oskaloosa,
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