

## Joanna Western Workers Reject Union Affiliation

Joanna — In an election held on Thursday, May 5, in Chicago, the employees of the finishing plant of Joanna Western Mills Company, of which Joanna Cotton Mills, at Joanna, is a division, rejected affiliation with the Textile Workers Union of America, AFL-CIO by a vote of 488 to 171. This third consecutive defeat for union affiliation in less than three years was the most overwhelming rejection of the union organizing effort.

Walter Rognery, general manager of the local Joanna plant, who is also vice-president of the Chicago company, upon learning of the results of the election at Joanna Western, issued the following statement to employees of Joanna Cotton Mills:

Joanna Western employees in our finishing plant in Chicago, Illinois, have again rejected organization by a union—the Textile Workers Union of America, AFL-CIO. For the third time in less than three years Joanna Western employees have shown that they prefer the cooperative type of management which prevails in all future to union bosses. The vote this Joanna plants to turning over their time, 488-171, is the most overwhelming defeat for the union in three elections.

The rebuff of union efforts is the more remarkable because of the intensive campaign the union carried on. Not only did union organizers employ masses of letters and

pamphlets, as well as personal contacts with all workers, to push their cause, but they made house-to-house visits in efforts to enlist the whole family on their side. But they failed! And this failure occurred in a hotbed of unionism: Joanna Western is thought to be the only plant its size in Chicago which is not a union plant.

It is a tribute to the intelligence of Joanna Western employees that they think for themselves instead of falling for the propaganda (often misleading or false) of agitators. Courage and wisdom were shown in the refusal of Joanna Western employees to follow the pattern in the Chicago area. Too, it is to the credit of both employees and management that they can work out their problems together, arriving at the best solutions for the good of all, so that employees have no need or desire to pay dues to outsiders to get fair treatment and good working conditions.

The union defeat is a real vote of confidence for the cooperative multiple-management system which prevails at Joanna Western (and at Joanna Cotton Mills Company). The Chicago plant has an Advisory Committee Plan similar to ours.

At both Chicago and Joanna all employees and all segments of management have an opportunity to work together, all contributing suggestions for solving problems and im-

proving operations. With all working together for one common goal—the best interests of all of us—success is achieved. Our business prospers, and we all share in the security and profits which result. We understand each other; we work toward the best interests of each other; our relations are friendly and unstrained. As a team we achieve far more for the benefit of all of us than we could with outside interference—interference that employees would pay dues for if they were not intelligent, wise, and courageous enough to reject it.

A heartening note for all of America is a fact that more and more groups of employees in all sections of our country are thinking for themselves and are becoming disgusted with the dishonesty of some union bosses, the violent tactics employed by agitators, and the failure of the unions to produce good for any except the top rulers who enjoy great wealth and power. Reports of recent elections show the trend everywhere to be a decrease of interest in affiliating with unions.

### Farmers Home Adm. Moves Laurens Offices

The Farmers Home Administration has moved its offices in Laurens. After twenty-five years of continuous operation in the Dial Building the organization has moved its headquarters to the second floor of the Federal Savings and Loan Building, next door to the post office. The office will occupy Rooms 206 and 208 in the upstairs rear of the Federal Savings and Loan Building. The personnel will remain unchanged. Henry Mitchell is the county supervisor and Miss Evelyn Culbertson is county office clerk.

### HERE FOR FUNERAL

Among out of town relatives and friends here for the funeral of Mrs. Albert Sidney Rumph on Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Rumph, Mrs. G. P. Skinner, Miss Elsie Cannon, of Charleston; Miss Mable Haynes, Mrs. Ione Elkins, Macon, Ga.; Mrs. Given Scott and son, Mrs. Ben Cain and son, Savannah, Mrs. Gena Prater, Mrs. Clara Nichols, Greenwood; Jack Rumph, Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. George Edgar Hollingsworth, Jr., Union; Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Rumph, Cross Anchor; Dr. and Mrs. John G. Barden, Boone, N. C.; Lewis Pitts, Lewis, Jr., Paul, Margaret, Bethune; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Pitts, Greensboro, N. C.; Miss Alliene Copeland, Spartanburg.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Mark Pitts, Aiken; Edd Pitts, Columbia; Claire and Jerry Pitts, Charlotte, N. C.; Mrs. Jerry Davis, Greenville; Miss Myra Pitts, Rock Hill. Members of the family who were with Mrs. Rumph's sister, Mrs. W. C. Milam, and Mr. Milam, and who have now returned to their homes were: Mr. Rumph, Savannah, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. Martin Theford, Mrs. Charles Bell, Tyler, Texas; John Pitts Rumph, Orlando, Fla. FIRST BAPTIST 14

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Mobile cattle scales which were purchased by the Laurens Exchange Club and local beef cattle producers for Laurens County's new performance testing program were placed in use this week. The new program is expected to raise the quality of area herds. Shown looking on, left to right, are: John Gatlin, county fair manager; Chester Aiken, vice-president, Exchange Club; Henry Eason, assistant county agent; and Ken Reynolds, Exchange Club president.—(Clemson Extension Service Photo)

### Performance Testing of Beef Cattle Herds In Laurens County Is New Program

Beef cattle "loafers" and low producers are being culled from Laurens County herds under a new program of performance testing.

Slow gainers, and those lacking proper conformation, will be headed for the slaughter house. "It's the fast gainers that make money for you," M. L. Outz, county agent, said.

Pointing up the new program this week was the presentation to producers of a set of mobile scales for periodic farm checks on weight gains of individual calves.

Paying half the cost of the scales was the Laurens Exchange club. Beef producers paid the remainder of the cost.

Assistant County Agent H. L. Eason will be the custodian of the scales. He will supervise weighing, and recording and other pertinent facts such as sex, sire and dam, conformation, and weight for each calf and record the information on IBM cards.

Testing is done under the supervision of the South Carolina Experiment Station and the Clemson Extension Service. Information on each animal will be summarized on the IBM facilities at Clemson. Results will go back to the producers concerned. The county agent will retain a copy of records in his office. Otherwise, the results will remain unknown to all except the owner himself.

"Beef cattle producers in the past placed most emphasis on type without much regard to rate of gain. Performance testing combines the two important factors of conformation and rate of gain. This program

of culling and selection, guided by performance records, should give us animals that will make more profit for producers," Outz said.

This is the way the program works. The cow and calf are identified and marked. Birth dates and birth weight are recorded. At about 7 months of age, the calf is weighed again and given a grade. The calf will be "scored" on rate of gain and conformation. Using 100 as an "average" score, calves scoring above will be kept—those below, probably sold.

Outz said that Laurens County had perhaps a larger number of registered beef cattle than any other county in the state. Most of the testing would be done with the registered cattle, but commercial herds would be offered the service also.

### Martin L. Flow, Formerly of Joanna, Passes in Chester

Joanna—Martin Luther Flow, 59, died late Monday night at his home in Chester County after several years of declining health.

He was a native of Lancaster County, but had made his home in Joanna most of his life. For the past five years he had made his home in Chester County. He was a son of the late Amos C. and Henrietta Threath Flow. He was a member of the Methodist Church.

Surviving are three brothers, Thomas C. B. C., and J. E. Flow, all of Joanna; and three sisters, Mrs. Minnie Dean of Columbus, Ga.; Mrs. Maggie McCluney of Chester; and Mrs. Robert McMeekin of Newberry.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday at 4:00 p. m. at Epworth Methodist Church in Joanna by the Rev. Hugh Bickley and the Rev. Perry E. Turner. Burial was in Rosemont Cemetery, Clinton.

### CROWE INFANT

The infant daughter of Billy and Barbara Wyatt Crowe of Rt. 2 Laurens, died Thursday.

Surviving besides the parents are a brother, Randy Earl Crowe of the home; paternal grandmother, Mrs. Grace Crowe of Laurens; maternal

grandmother, Mrs. Emma Eubanks of Rt. 2 Laurens; and step-grandfather, Jimmy Eubanks of Rt. 2 Laurens.

Graveside services were conducted at Rosemont Cemetery, Friday at 11 a. m. by the Rev. R. D. Parker.

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