

FLOOD CONTROL - For several months the Committee has aggressively been working with the various interests in the Lower Kaw Valley, the Blue River Valley, Greater Kansas City and the United States Army Engineers in a broad program designed to give flood protection to the Kaw Valley. Various plans are under consideration; some of them providing for navigation and possibly power, depending largely on the size and type of reservoirs to be built. While there are many factors to be considered and agreed on, everything indicates a determination on the part of those interested to unite on a program so that work may be started soon after the war. From the very beginning the only interest and activity of our committee has been flood control.

GOODWILL - The Rural Acquaintance Smoke established some years ago as an annual event to bring about better acquaintance, understanding and good fellowship between town and country will be held again this year, the date to be announced later - probably early in March. Last year the event was cancelled, largely because of the difficulty in getting food for the thousand to twelve hundred that may be expected. This year Joe and his committee say that it will be done somehow. May be short on food but long on entertainment and good fellowship.

HOUSING - This Committee in co-operation with Hercules Officials and others has been working for months to locate as many families as possible in Lawrence who are essential in the operation of the Sunflower Ordnance Works. Our duty is to help maintain production schedules on rocket powder and other explosives that are so badly needed on all fronts. The crying need is still for more houses and apartments. The Chamber Housing phone is 1004.

INDUSTRIAL PLANNING - The Committee has been negotiating with several industrial prospects and right now is trying hard to secure a suitable building to house the operations of one of the nations leading greeting card manufacturers. Recent advertising and publicity produced a great deal of interest on the part of Lawrence women and girls willing to work for this concern. Floor space requirements and other facilities are such that the Committee is having difficulty on location.

LEGISLATIVE - The No. 1 job of this Committee every two years is to assist in the matter of appropriations for the University. Because of transportation difficulties and other factors, it is not practical to invite the entire Legislature to visit the University as has been done in former years. Arrangements are now being completed for the Ways and Means Committees of the House and Senate to visit the University Tuesday Afternoon, February 13th; inspect the buildings, receive information as to needs; dinner at the University and attend the basketball game in the evening. The Chamber of Commerce has agreed to furnish the necessary transportation.

MEETINGS - Solon and his Committee deserve great credit for a splendid series of strong programs during the fall months. From now until hot weather when regular meetings will be discontinued, the Committee has some important meetings scheduled with top-notch speakers, all dealing with subjects of vital importance to this community.

MEMBERSHIP - Our hats off to Joe and his two team captains, Ship and Mike, and to the hustling members of the two teams who brought in 50 new members during the recent snappy one-day campaign. Several more have been secured since the campaign ended. If you know of a good prospect, call the office, 485.