

ARM FRACTURE GRUDGE CAUSE OF DYNAMITING

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W. H. Settle, president of the Indiana Farm Bureau, will preside Monday afternoon at the national co-operative marketing session of American Farm Bureau Federation convention in Boston. The entire afternoon will be devoted to a discussion of progress in co-operative marketing of farm products. The convention opened Friday to continue through Wednesday.

The executive heads of three great national marketing associations created by the federal farm board will participate. In addition a member of the federal farm board will deliver an address and an official of a fourth co-operative of great importance to farmers will also speak.

This extensive presentation of agricultural co-operation is expected to give the industrial east a clear and correct conception of what this new farm movement is striving to accomplish.

Settle, who has had an active part in establishing various state and national co-operative marketing enterprises will present some of his co-workers at the session. They will be C. E. Huff, Chicago, president of the Farmers National Grain Corporation; C. A. Ewing, Chicago, president of the National Live Stock Marketing Association; and E. F. Creekmore, New Orleans, vice-president and general manager of the American Cotton Co-operative Association, who will set forth in their addresses the progress made in marketing wheat, cattle and cotton since creation of the farm board.

Charles W. Holman, Washington, secretary of the National Co-operative Milk Producers Federation, will describe the development of co-operative marketing of dairy products.

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