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SHELTER HOUSE AT SILOAM SPRINGS STATE PARK

APPLICATION TO ADAMS ELECTRICAL CO-OPERATIVE FOR
ALL-ELECTRIC FARM SIGN

I wish to submit the following statements and list of equipment to qualify for the All-Electric Farm Sign. I certify that I use electric power exclusively for the following purposes:

1. Water Pumping
2. Cooking
3. Refrigeration
4. Water Heating

I also have the following equipment in use which will total at least 100 points: (Check equipment in use)

☐ Freezer 50
☐ Automatic Washer 50
☐ Clothes Dryer 50

☐ Dishwasher 50
☐ Air Conditioner 50
☐ Complete Home Heating 100

Small Appliances (10 points each)

☐ Iron 10
☐ Toaster 10
☐ Mixer 10
☐ Fry Pan 10
☐ T.V. 10
☐ Welder 10

☐ Roaster 10
☐ Percolator 10
☐ Milker 10
☐ Brooder 10
☐ Tank Heater 10
☐ Milk Cooler 10

☐ Bench Grinder 10
☐ Air Compressor 10
☐ Milk House Heater 10
☐ Blanket or Sheet 10
☐ Motors - 10 point/HP

Total Points _____

I agree to display prominently the All-Electric Farm Sign at the entrance to my farmstead within 30 days after receipt of sign. I further agree that if at any time in the future I am not qualified to display this sign in accordance with the above rules, I will forfeit sign to the Co-operative, or permit Co-operative to remove the same.

Date

Sign to be lettered as follows:

Please Print



Signature

Address

Map No. (For Co-op use only)

FREE

"ALL ELECTRIC FARM" SIGN

FREE



You can be the proud owner of one of these beautiful signs if you can meet the requirements recently established by your co-operative. The signs are 18" x 24" and are made of 22 gauge steel. They have a baked on enamel finish with a red background and white lettering. In the designated area at the top of the sign your name will appear in 2½" letters of reflective Scotchlite so that it will show up at night, as well as in daytime. The signs are double-faced so that they may be mounted at right angle to the road and easily read by

persons passing by your house from either direction. Remember, this is an "All Electric Farm" sign—not an electric sign. It does not plug in—uses no current—but it does identify your home or farm as a place that the occupant is proud to call "home".

Here's how to get your sign. Read through the application blank on the adjoining page and check off your uses of the various equipment. You must be 100% regarding the first four uses of electric power. Then, if you total at least 100 points on the other uses listed (their point values are listed at the right of each appliance), total your points, sign your name and address and indicate how you want your name lettered on the sign. Mail your application blanks to our office in Camp Point.

I DON'T CARE WHO SERVES ME

As long As I Get Good Service—Reasonably!

"I don't care if I get electricity from a private utility or from an electric co-op, just as long as I get good service at reasonable rates," a farmer recently stated. In making this statement, the farmer forgot a few important facts of life. In the first place, if it weren't for the rural electric co-operatives of the nation the farmer wouldn't even be getting electricity—or he'd be paying through the nose to get it.

Your electric co-op and all the others in the nation have built lines to serve rural people with considerably more investment per member than is necessary to serve the same member in the urban areas. Your electric co-op and the others are serving the "skim milk" territory as far as the electric distribution business is concerned. Private utilities who had the opportunity to serve the rural areas were just not interested.

"A farmer would not use electricity if he had it and if he used it he couldn't afford to pay for it," was the favorite saying of utility spokesmen before the electric co-operative program got under way. So what does this farmer mean that he doesn't care from whom he gets electricity as long as he gets good service at reasonable rates? He wouldn't be getting electricity at all if it weren't for his electric co-op.

That's a good reason why every member should be intensely interested in the success of his own co-op and should be willing to defend it against all those who oppose it.

**WATCH FOR THIS BANNER
AT YOUR LOCAL APPLIANCE DEALER**



SEE IT
HERE

The **RURAL ELECTRIC CO-OP.**

HOME FREEZER *Special*

We Honor Your **VALUABLE** Coupons



Simply clip the coupons from mailing piece
being sent to you.

ONE COUPON is good for a **FREE** Soft light when presented to dealer.
SECOND COUPON has a cash value when applied to the purchase of
his 'Home Freezer Specials' and he will assist you in
obtaining \$18.00 worth of **FREE** electricity and big handy
Freezer Packaging Kit.



\$18 00

WORTH OF
FREE
ELECTRICITY

➤ **This Offer good May and June only!** ◀



Homemakers' Outlet

BY VIVIAN WENNIE,

HOME ELECTRIFICATION ADVISER



Home freezing is the modern, easier way to preserve the products of the family garden and those purchased at the height of their growing season for later consumption. Be sure to freeze the best foods as to quality and freshness and in proper packaging material. The wrapping material should be moisture-proof and vapor-proof and non-odorous (watch plastics especially). Follow reliable instructions as to how to prepare foods for the Home Freezer. Use meal size packages so there are no "left overs" to use again. Fill containers properly. Freeze approximately 5 lbs. per cu.ft. of storage space at one time (a 12 cu.ft. freezer will freeze 60 lbs. of freshly prepared food at one time). Be sure the label is clear and descriptive and a good record of freezer contents is kept. Remember each food has a specific length of storage time at zero° F temperature for maximum quality in food frozen. Be sure you use your freezer as you would a "checking account" and not as a "savings account" even though it is an ideal and safe place to store most every type of food.

RED CHERRY LATTICE-TOP PIE

An unbaked pie frozen solid in a glass or metal pan, then removed from pan and wrapped for storing.

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| 1 pkg. pie crust mix | 2 tablespoons flour |
| 1 No. 2 can ($2\frac{1}{2}$ cups) pitted
sour, red cherries | 1 cup sugar |
| | Cinnamon |
| 2 tablespoons butter or margarine | |

Prepare pie crust mix according to package directions. Line 8-inch pie pan with half the pastry, trim, leaving $\frac{1}{2}$ inch around edge. Combine cherries, sugar and flour; spoon into pie pan. Dot with butter or margarine; sprinkle with cinnamon. Roll out remaining pastry. Cut with pastry wheel, making strips about 10" long, $\frac{1}{2}$ " wide; arrange over cherries, lattice-fashion. Fold $\frac{1}{2}$ " rim of lower crust over strips; flute. Wrap for freezing. Label.

SAVORY HAMBURGERS

Uncooked, shaped hamburgers ready for cooking, a time saver.

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| 1 cup soft bread crumbs | $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ cup milk | Few grains pepper |
| 1 lb. lean beef, ground | $\frac{1}{4}$ cup ketchup |
| 1 tablespoon grated onion | 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce |
- Combine all ingredients; mix well. Shape into 8 patties. Separate each patty with 2 circles of cellophane or freezer foil. Then pack in freezer carton, or wrap in freezer foil.

5 HINTS FOR FREEZING: Opened packages of appetizer crackers will keep fresh in freezer. Try this for potato chips too.

Baked cakes freeze better and longer than batters or doughs.



Co-op Power Aids State Park Development

Residents of Adams, Brown and Schuyler Counties are just beginning to realize how fortunate we are to have the Siloam Springs State Park. Located about 25 miles east of Quincy on the Adams-Brown line, the park is just starting to bloom into the recreational area which the site will offer eventually. The pictures in this newsletter show the beautiful shelter house with a concession stand, a typical picnic area, two recreational areas featuring playground equipment, and a view of Crab Apple Lake that is just now reaching its capacity. Not too noticeable in these black and white shots are the beautiful wild flowers which grow everywhere.

The park has a great deal to offer visitors in addition to its beauty. There are picnic areas with pure water, fireplaces with wood and picnic tables at designated areas. No cooking may be done except on park stoves. Sites for tents or trailers are available without cost. A camping permit must be obtained from the park custodian, Virgil Johnson, who will assign a site. Permits are issued up to one week. Also, the remains of the village of Siloam, the old swimming pool and several old stone houses in other parts of the park are of interest to many people.

One of the largest of the Illinois State Parks, Siloam Springs State Park is a rough glaciated terrain of hills and valleys, the land is generally beautifully wooded. The forest belongs to the oak-hickory association and prairie willows, smooth sumac, saplings of sassafras, Indian grass and gooseberry shrubs are representative of the interesting plant life blanketing the area. Many ferns are found in the lower places where there is fairly dense shade, high humidity and considerable soil moisture.

In the park is a village site and within a mile of the park springs is an Indian graveyard and a place where they burned their dead. It is probable that much of the park land was originally used by the Indians. About 1840 the land was acquired by George Meyers who died in 1882 at the age of 102 and his longevity is said to have been due to drinking water from the medicinal springs in the park.

Quincy Burgesser, a stock dealer looking for water for his cattle, became acquainted with the springs and their curative value. Water from the springs was analyzed and found to have twelve times the strength of the waters from Eureka Springs in Missouri and three times the strength of Wisconsin's Waukesha Springs. This Burgesser believed, gave the waters the ability to make wonderful cures including drunkenness and the morphine and opium habit. To make the waters easily available to the public the Siloam Forest Home hotel, bathing houses, swimming pool and other facilities were built in 1884 and for a number of years this was a popular resort.

In the delightful little valley grew the small village of Siloam with about 75 people, two general stores, post office, blacksmith shop and grist mill. Among notable guests registering at the hotel were Philip D. Armour, the founder of the great meat packing firm, and C. E. and A. G. Ringling and P. T. Barnum of circus fame. Siloam Springs was bypassed by railroads and hard roads, and medical science offered more effective remedies than medicinal waters so visitors became fewer, resulting in a decline in the hotel business and the town. About 1935 a movement was started to reclaim the springs and surrounding land for recreational purposes, and the Siloam Recreation Club was formed for the preservation of the site as a park or game refuge. That year the hotel was renovated, playground equipment purchased and the site leased to civic organizations for their use.

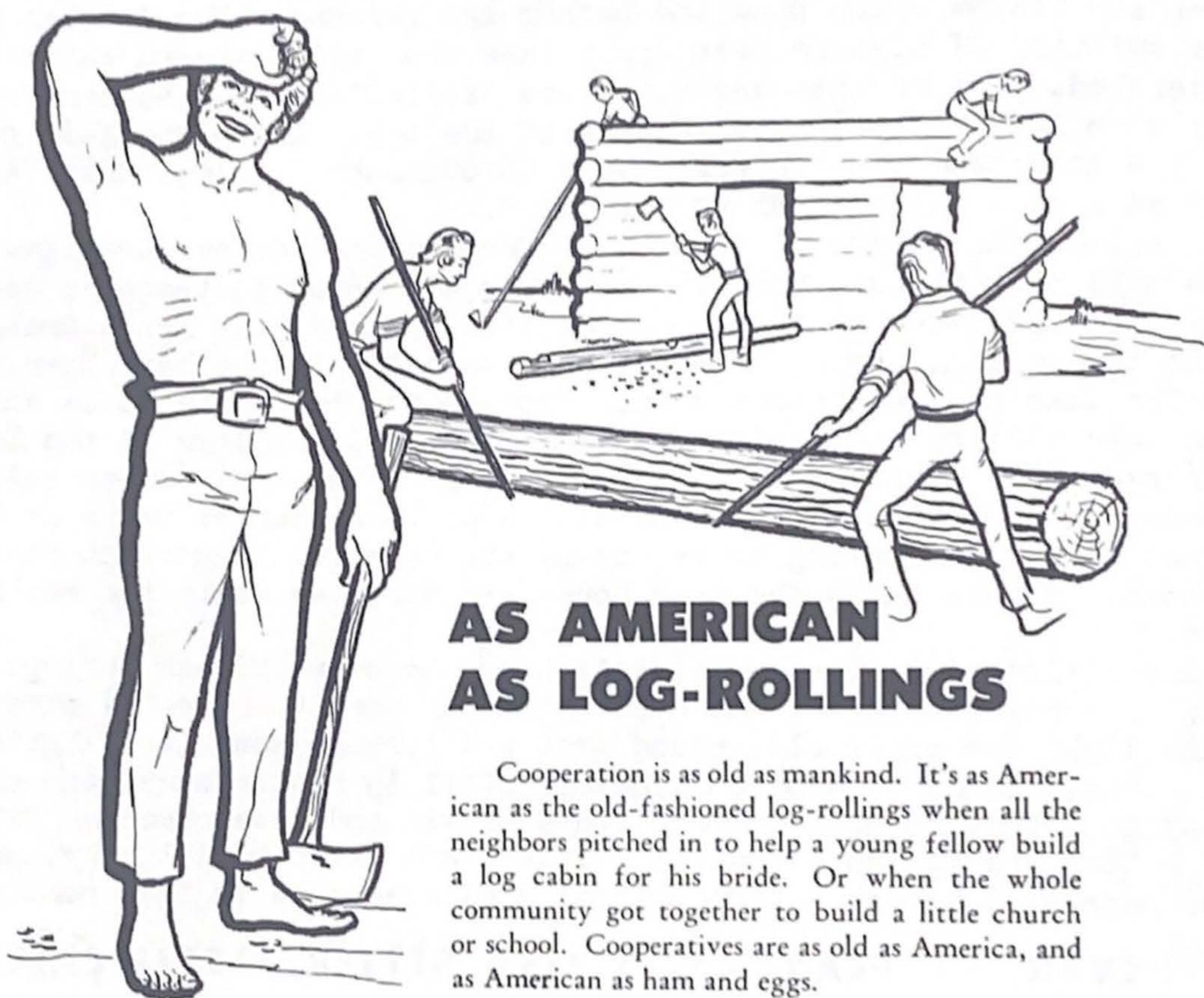
Siloam Springs remained in private hands until 1940 when an agreement to make it a State recreational area was made. Citizens of Brown and Adams Counties raised the money to match State funds in purchasing the land. The old hotel was torn down and the swimming pool and bathhouses removed. The largest project has been the building of 68-acre Crab Apple Lake that will impound water from a 1280-acre watershed. The earthen dam stretches 320 feet across the deep ravine and is 362 feet wide at the bottom and 18 feet at the top. A considerable part of the cost of the lake came from Federal funds through the Dingle-Johnson Act which provides an excise tax on fishing equipment.

When filled, the lake will be 51 feet deep at the face of the dam. Normal overflow will pour through the 225-foot long and seven-foot-square concrete riser, or mechanical spillway, that extends out into the old Crab Apple Creek bed at the bottom of the deep ravine. Engineers have termed this the best lake site in the state. The lake has been stocked with Sunfish and Bass, and it is anticipated that the lake will be opened for fishing either this Fall or in the Spring of 1958. A recent announcement by the Illinois Department of Conservation stated that funds are available to go ahead with additional improvements at Siloam. It is planned to build a spring house, using the existing foundation of the old spring house, and to build the boat house and purchase boats for rental use on the lake.

The Adams Electrical Co-operative is happy to serve Siloam Springs State Park with electric power. Here co-op electricity is used to pump the pure drinking water and light the upper playground area and furnish power and lights in the shelter house. As a State park Siloam is still in its infancy, and electricity will play an important part in its future growth and development. With the advent of better roads, additional facilities, and greater publicity, we believe that the park will become a recreational area unequalled in this part of the State.

EVEN AT PLAY -- YOU LIVE BETTER ELECTRICALLY!





AS AMERICAN AS LOG-ROLLINGS

Cooperation is as old as mankind. It's as American as the old-fashioned log-rollings when all the neighbors pitched in to help a young fellow build a log cabin for his bride. Or when the whole community got together to build a little church or school. Cooperatives are as old as America, and as American as ham and eggs.

Rural electric cooperatives were set up for exactly the same reasons that folks used to hold log-rollings. They were organized to bring electric power to rural farms, homes, schools and businesses. Nobody made a profit out of the log-rollings. Nobody makes a profit out of a cooperative. But both the log-rollings and the cooperatives help folks SAVE a lot of money or get something they couldn't get at all otherwise.

Our rural electric cooperative is owned by the very consumers it serves. It is operated on a non-profit basis to provide these rural families, schools and businesses with all the electricity they want—at the lowest possible cost. Today, working shoulder to shoulder with nearly 1000 other rural electric cooperatives throughout the nation, we serve a total of over 14 million rural people.

We got together on this electric log-rolling because there was no other way to get the job done. And we are proud to say we have been successful.