

APRIL 7 IS DATE SET FOR FARMERS TO SMOTHER OPPOSITION UNDER BIG BARRAGE OF INCOME TAX PETITIONS

Farm Bureau and Grange are Uniting in Effort To Have Men in Each Polling Place to Secure Necessary Names to Put Income Tax on Fall Ballot

A state-wide organization is practically complete whereby there will be a representative of the Grange and of the Farm Bureau in practically every polling place on election day, April 7, to secure signatures to the income tax constitutional amendment now being pushed by Michigan farm organizations. Sixty thousand signatures are required to insure the placing of this important matter on the ballot for the Fall Election in November, 1924.

Read the following summary which gives you the facts about the proposed income tax in a nutshell. When you go to vote, look and see if there is anyone there with one of these petitions. If not, let us know and we shall be glad to send you a petition to sign and to have your neighbors sign.

This Is Your Opportunity

The proposed amendment is carefully drafted. The principle of the income tax is just and fair. The need to relieve over-burdened real estate is very apparent; it is acute. Something must be done to help the owners of Michigan property. Here is a real remedy. Let's do something for ourselves and our neighbors.

A State Income Tax has been endorsed by every Michigan farm organization and the State Federation of Labor. It is the tax that the big fellow can't Pass On to you. Sign the Income Tax amendment. Boost the Income Tax amendment this summer. Vote for the Income Tax amendment in November!

THE STATE INCOME TAX IDEA IN A NUTSHELL

Do we need an Income Tax? Read this and see.

Real estate in Michigan is 35% of the wealth. It now pays 80% of all the taxes.

Who would pay it? Incomes over \$4,000.

Only those whose annual net income exceeds \$4,000. One per cent of the people of Michigan have a net income of \$420,000-000. This is equal to the total gross value of farm products.

How much would it raise? About \$12,000,000.

The rate would range from 5 to 10% on net incomes. \$4,000 exemption from all incomes. On this basis it would produce about \$12,000,000 annually.

Who would Benefit? Every real estate owner. This is not class legislation.

Farmers would save \$4,000,000 on real estate. City home owners would save \$4,000,000. Corporations would save \$4,000,000.

Is this an additional tax? No. We have no State Income Tax.

The amendment provides that the amount so raised shall be deducted from the amount which must otherwise be levied on real estate.

Can We Get an Income Tax? We can if—?

Everyone who is in favor of reducing taxes on real estate and who favors this proposition is sure to sign initiatory petitions which are being circulated here today. Sixty thousand names will insure the placing of this important amendment on the ballot at the regular fall election, November, 1924.

Mr. Average Voter, What will you do about it?

The Average Farmer is driven to the wall. He can hardly make enough to pay his taxes. The Average City Man is unable to pay taxes on his own home.

Sign Petitions Now. Vote "Yes" in November.

Sign, Talk, Boost, Vote for the State Income Tax an honest, just measure to relieve over-burdened Michigan real estate.

State Income Tax Amendment Petitioned The Secretary of State, Lansing, Mich.

An initiative petition proposing an amendment to Section Three of Article Ten of the constitution, authorizing the enactment of a graduated personal income tax law.

We, the undersigned qualified electors of the state of Michigan hereby petition that there be submitted to the electors of the state, at the first regular election, a proposed amendment to Section Three of Article Ten of the constitution, authorizing the enactment of a graduated personal income tax law, so that the said Section Three amended shall read as follows:

Section 3: The legislature shall provide by law a uniform rule of taxation, except on property paying specific taxes, and taxes shall be levied on such property as shall be prescribed by law. The legislature shall provide by law a scheme of taxes upon the net gains, profits and incomes of all citizens and inhabitants of this state, from whatever source said gains, profits and incomes are derived, which shall be graduated and progressive as follows:

There shall be an exemption of \$4,000 per annum of all incomes. Incomes of from \$4,000 to \$20,000 per annum shall be taxed at the rate of 5 per centum. All incomes above \$20,000 up to and including \$40,000, shall be taxed at the rate of 6 per centum. All incomes above \$40,000 up to and including \$60,000, shall be taxed at the rate of 7 per centum. All incomes above \$60,000 up to and including \$80,000, shall be taxed at the rate of 8 per centum. All incomes above \$80,000 up to and including \$100,000, shall be taxed at the rate of 9 per centum. All incomes above \$100,000 shall be taxed at the rate of 10 per centum. The Income Tax law herein authorized shall be administered by a Board of State Tax commissioners. All monies paid to a board of state commissioners under the provisions

of this amendment shall be paid into the state treasury and shall then be credited to the general fund of the state, and shall be used for defraying the general expenses of the state government and for the payment of principal and interest on state bonds.

On or before the first day of September of each year, the auditor general shall deduct from the total amount directed by the legislature to be included in the state tax for that year, the amount of money received under the provisions of this amendment and credited to the general fund of the state for the current year and the balance if any shall be deemed to constitute the state tax to be apportioned among the various counties of the state in accordance with the provisions of the general tax law.

Instructions for Circulating Petitions Men and women signing petitions must be qualified electors of the township or city stated opposite their names.

Women signing petitions must sign their own names, not "Mrs. John Jones" or "Mrs. J. Jones." Such signatures will not be counted.

Sign like this—"Jennie Jones" or "Sally Smith."

The department has no authority to remove names from petitions after same has been filed.

For residence address give township in which you live and vote. Give street and number in cities of 5,000 or more.

Petitions must be circulated by a qualified elector. Names must be signed in his presence; so that he can swear to the statement at the bottom of the petition.

Read it carefully.

The sworn statement is imperative.

Do not sign more than one petition.

Do not use ditto marks for address and dates.

Do not date signatures on Sunday.

Calhoun County wool growers will meet at New Methodist church, Marshall Thursday, April 10, at 1:30 p. m. standard time.

You Fellows Who Buy Coal, Look Here

Decker, March 22.—Alex Lindsay, manager of the Decker Farm Bureau local, has a live tip for everyone who buys coal by the carload. In one instance it was worth \$55.25 to him.

A shortage of coal on every car received by the Decker Farm Bureau caused Mr. Lindsay to have all bills of lading on all cars of coal marked "To be re-weighed at the last railroad scales previous to handing over to the delivering line." The re-weigh check on the first car showed a shortage of 6 1/2 tons. The re-weigh cost \$2.70 and the value of the 6 1/2 tons found short was \$55.25. "It pays to re-weigh in this manner," quoth Mr. Lindsay.

GENESEE BUREAU HAS A BIG TIME

340 Attend Annual Banquet at Flint; Pres. Bradfute of A. F. B. F. There

Flint, March 27.—Three hundred and forty attended the third annual Farm Bureau banquet of the Genesee County Farm Bureau, held at Elks Temple, Flint, March 12. Pres. Oscar E. Bradfute of the American Farm Bureau Federation, came over from Chicago to be the speaker of the evening. The Genesee members had a great time, a big feed and declared the evening was a howling success. What's the matter with some more County Farm Bureau's pulling off a get-together like this?

Among the other speakers at the Genesee meeting were M. B. McPherson of Lowell (Kent Co.) and Mrs. Edith Wagar of Carleton (Monroe Co.), both members of the State Farm Bureau Board of Directors. McPherson gave an authoritative talk on the tax situation and what the Farm Bureau is doing about it. Mrs. Wagar, chairman of Home and Community work in Michigan, spoke along those lines. Pres. W. E. Billings of the Genesee Bureau introduced C. H. Reed as toastmaster.

C. W. Otto, secretary of the Flint Chamber of Commerce, pointed out the many ways in which an organization can help its members and said that he would like to see an arrangement where the Farm Bureau and Chamber of Commerce could unite their efforts to the benefit of both organizations.

Horace E. Potter, cashier of the Citizens Commercial and Saving Bank, a prominent Flint banker, who knows what the Genesee County Farm Bureau is doing, said that the work of the organization in that county is something that its members can well be proud of.

WOOL BUYERS DISCUSS MARKET

Meet at Lansing, Exchange Opinions on Value of 1924 Clip

Michigan wool dealers are generally agreed upon a policy of very conservative buying, at least for the immediate future. This situation was plainly manifested at a meeting of some 70 representative Michigan wool dealers at Lansing Wednesday, March 28.

"Buy carefully" was the keynote of the meeting. The opinion seemed to be that a "fair price" to be paid the Michigan wool grower this year is approximately 40 cents a pound for his clip.

That any organized attempt at grading the farmers' wool before accepting it would result in lighter buying and less satisfactory to the dealers was generally agreed by 70 or more dealers present.

The only way that grading of the producers' clip could be handled efficiently would be through some system such as the Michigan State Farm Bureau has adopted, it was stated in the meeting by one of the dealers.

Fine wools, it was brought out at the meeting, find little demand on the big markets at present and in sections where fine and mediums are found the buyers were advised to be careful in selecting their fleeces.

Buyers Say They've Learned That local buyers, who admitted they had been "knifing" one another during the past few seasons in an effort to buy in quantities, have learned their lesson at their own expense and are going out to "buy right at prices fair to the farmer and to themselves," was quite evident in the dealers' opinion of basic price.

Wool is bound to "come into its own" in time, it was brought out by the association. With the foreign markets offering more for wools than the eastern mills of the United States, and with this country consuming more than twice as much wool as it produces, it was declared quite probable that the present depression in the market would be overcome so that the small buyer could afford to pay what seemed to

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POTATO EXCHANGE OFFERS GROWERS NEW CONTRACT

Half of State's Tonnage is Sought in Present Campaign

STRENGTHENS GROWERS Producers and Their Sales Organization Sign Up For 5 Years

By H. L. Baraun Traverse City, March 27.—The campaign for new members in the Michigan Potato Growers Exchange has been started in the Grand Traverse region. The ultimate aim of the Exchange is to get at least 50 per cent of the tonnage in the leading potato shipping counties. Potato growers in these counties will be asked to sign the new 5-year pooling contracts which have been prepared for the organization by the Markets Dept. of the Michigan Agricultural College. This contract, as will be shown, strengthens the power of the farmers as a marketing organization.

The Michigan Potato Growers' Exchange has made some wonderful changes in the potato industry in the state during the past five years. A market has been furnished at all times, and the profits of speculating buyers have been pared down to reasonable figures. During the time the Exchange has been in operation many cash buyers, not being able to meet the returns made by the co-operative associations, have gone out of business. Only the older and stronger buyers, who have loading stations widely scattered in this state and Wisconsin, have survived competition with the organized farmers.

Formerly, as most potato growers know, certain buyers, by practicing discrimination in prices paid in various towns, were able to keep up the fight against the co-operatives. After the organized farmers of the state secured the passage of an anti-discrimination law in the last legislature, this means of keeping up the fight was killed. Organized effort made it possible to prevent discrimination in prices. It has not been possible, however, to head off a new practice by certain buyers which is not only hurting the growers' organizations but, if continued, will kill the potato industry in Michigan. This is the practice of buying field-run potatoes and shipping them as U. S. No. 1 grade.

In order to meet this new practice, which is the most short-sighted thing of this kind ever pulled off in the name of competition, the potato growers of the state must unite in a larger and stronger organization. Enough growers must pledge their potatoes to their sales organization to make it possible to re-establish the old reputation Michigan once possessed as the source of high quality, well graded potatoes.

The purpose of the new 5-year pooling contracts is merely to give the sales organization enough power to meet the crooked and damaging competition of unscrupulous buyers. The Exchange must be in a position to control not only the flow of Michigan potatoes to market, but it must also be able to know and control the quality of the potatoes shipped. Under the present form of organization, the volume of shipments has been relatively small and the quality of the stuff sold has been extremely variable, a bad thing for the farmers' own sales agency.

The new contract has been presented at Traverse City, Kingsley, Buckley, Elk Rapids and Cedar for the approval of the local directors. At every place, excepting Cedar, the campaign workers have met enthusiastic reception. Cedar, in the beginning, was one of the strongest locals in the Exchange organization, but cash buyers have made such inroads that only a handful of loyal members are left. It is expected, however, that the members of this association will not hold out for the old speculative system when they come to understand the true situation.

Under the new plan of the old members, as well as new ones, will sign the new marketing agreements. These contracts will not disturb the present status of the local organization. On the other hand the locals will be strengthened by the increased membership. In emphasizing the importance of the local associations the Michigan contract is different from the ones used in Maine and Minnesota, where the central organization is the most important unit. The new contracts, however, do tie the members closer to their local organization and, by pooling, provide for a more orderly flow of potatoes to market.

This new movement on the part of the Potato Exchange has been endorsed by the Chambers of Commerce in Cadillac and Traverse City. The plans are sound and sensible and the new contract will save the potato industry from the short-sighted policies of speculating buyers.

Mich. Fruit Growers Hold Interesting Annual Meeting

OHIO & MICH. WOOL ASS'N LEADERS



Left to right—Jay Smith, Dexter, Mich., wool grower; C. L. Brody, Lansing, Mich., Sec'y-Gen. Mgr. of Michigan State Farm Bureau; H. E. Powell of Ionia, Mich., wool grower; F. F. Walker of Columbus, O., and L. B. Palmer of Pataskala, O., Sec'y and President, respectively, of the Ohio Sheep and Wool Growers Ass'n; F. C. Tirrell, Charlotte, Mich., wool grower; M. L. Noon, Jackson, Mich., Pres. Mich. Farm Bureau; J. M. Wilson, Fredericktown, O., director of Ohio Wool Growers Ass'n; Don Williams, Lansing, manager of Michigan Farm Bureau Wool Dept.

The Michigan men noted above are the committee from the Michigan Wool Growers Co-operative Marketing Ass'n who went down to Columbus, O., early in March to inspect the Ohio Ass'n's wool marketing facilities before accepting Ohio's invitation to the Michigan Farm Bureau and Michigan wool growers to market their wool with Ohio this year.

The Michigan men found Ohio has built up a very successful marketing system, which includes a very large volume of wool—all contracted to the Ass'n by growers—a fixed handling charge, liberal cash advance. Michigan accepted the Ohio invitation and it is explained in detail on page three of this edition of the Farm Bureau News.

KENT COUNTY UNITS HAVE RIGHT IDEA

406 at Sparta and Tyrone Townships' Annual Banquet

Grand Rapids, March 20.—For two years past the Farm Bureau organization in Sparta and Tyrone Townships in Kent County have been the sponsors of community banquets and the feeds this year were no exceptions.

The Sparta banquet was held Friday evening, March 7, and 156 sat down to a sumptuous spread which was enlivened by the excellent fourteen piece Sparta Community Orchestra. F. N. Clark was the toastmaster. Speakers were M. B. McPherson of Lowell, who spoke on "Taxation Problems," and M. L. Noon, President of the Michigan State Farm Bureau, who spoke on the "Relationship of the Farm Bureau to the Community." County Agent, K. K. Vining, gave a short talk.

At the Tyrone banquet, held in Kent City, 250 sat down to eat. H. A. Pick was toastmaster. Mrs. Louise H. Campbell, State Leader of Home Demonstration Agents, told of the work the Home Economics Extension Department is doing for farm women. We venture to say that among other things there were some door knobs fixed the next day. J. G. Hays, Field man for the Michigan Holstein Friesian Breeders Ass'n, gave his famous talk, "The Humorous Side of Dairying." Jim brought his model Holstein cow along and gave a cow judging demonstration.

Such occasions as these banquets are doing much to cement together Farm Bureau members and to bring the rural and village communities closer together.

BIGNALL HAS 40 YRS.' EXPERIENCE

And Tells Why He Renewed His Farm Bureau Membership

Manistee, March 26.—Englishmen have a reputation for being good business men. There are good reasons for believing that this reputation is well founded. Here is the latest evidence bearing on the case. Alfred Bignall came from England and settled on a farm near Copeish, Manistee county, more than 40 years ago. When the farmers perfected their organization of the Farm Bureau and offered him a chance to join, he promptly signed up. He didn't put his name on the dotted line, and then knock instead of taking a part in the job. No, sir! He has been a booster right from the first. When the new campaign was put on during the fall of 1923, he was not at home but he believes in the Farm Bureau so fully that he sent his membership in to the State office at Lansing upon notice that it had expired.

Mr. Bignall says, "Some fellows don't know a good thing when they have it, but I'll do my share to keep knockers and crooks from breaking up the Farm Bureau. It's our only hope for a square deal."

Culver to Emmet Co.

Petoskey, March 27.—S. J. Culver has been employed by the Emmet County Farm Bureau as County Agricultural Agent to succeed Dwight Cavanaugh, who resigned recently to take up other work. Mr. Culver comes on the job April 1. He is a Michigan man, and has had considerable experience in this state and in Illinois in agricultural work.

Bureau Can Help Folks to Many Home Conveniences

There Are Easy Ways to Get Long Sought Comforts, Says Mrs. Wagar

BY MRS. EDITH WAGAR Chairman, Farm Bur. Community Work

At the recent conference held at our Lansing office of one section of the Mid-West organization workers, the part played by women came under discussion and many theories and interesting suggestions were advanced. Throughout it all crept the feeling that the woman's viewpoint was appreciated and the organization as a whole was desirous of knowing more about her needs and plans.

Mrs. Campbell of M. A. C. brought out the fact that the gummed paper dress form, which has been used by the hundreds in this state, not only serves as a model or dummy over which the good wife can give the proper fitting to her new garments or alter her old ones, but it quite often serves a greater purpose when it pronounces the fact that she is losing out in keeping the correct posture that is essential to good health.

Equipment Can Be Replaced

As this dress form is made to the exact figure of the woman, without any padding or camouflage whatever, it too often emphasizes the fact that Mother is becoming stooped long before her time, that perhaps one shoulder is becoming out of level with the other or that there are other defects that had not been noticed by the family. Many times these dress forms have been a revelation to the woman herself and she has been truly thankful that she could see herself as others see her and that there was still time for self-correction; and the family has come to see through this "life sized picture" that home methods should be changed and the burden be made somewhat lighter in order to keep Mother as she should be—a woman in health and enjoying the everyday duties rather than dragging out a mere existence. Equipment can be replenished, but you cannot buy a Mother.

Sometimes the every day household work could be made so much easier if some sort of an inventory of affairs and arrangements could be taken and alterations made to conform to the one thought of convenience. (Continued on page four)

M. D. BUSKIRK IS 1924 PRESIDENT

20 Ass'ns Represented on Capable Board of Directors

PAST YEAR REVIEWED

Organization Plans for Own Sales Mgr. and Other Services

Benton Harbor, March 26.—Twenty of western Michigan's best co-operative fruit ass'ns were represented by delegates and interested members at the first annual meeting of the Michigan Fruit Growers, Inc. held here March 25. The first year's work was reviewed, action was taken to strengthen the organization, and plans were laid to make 1924 a very successful year.

M. D. Buskirk, veteran fruit grower and co-operative organization man of Paw Paw, was elected president for 1924. He succeeds James Nicol of South Haven, a pioneer in the organization of the Fruit Growers and who served ably as its first president. Mr. Nicol was not a candidate for re-election; having decided some time ago to retire from active agricultural leadership.

Mr. Buskirk was elected by the new board of directors, who, on organizing themselves, also chose for vice-presidents A. G. Rogers of Beulah and Amos Tucker of South Haven and F. L. Bradford of St. Joseph as secretary-treasurer.

The new board of directors for 1924 is as follows, the town named showing the Fruit Ass'n represented by the director:

Miller Overton, Bangor; J. F. Higbee, Benton Center; Allen Graham, Elberta; A. G. Rogers, Beulah; Henry Namitz, Bridgman; F. D. Levanworth, Grand Rapids; John Bottaman, Spring Lake; W. J. Schultz, Hart; Herbert W. Gowdy, Sawdy; Bert Gleason, Lawrence; Herbert Nafziger, Benton Harbor; M. D. Buskirk, Paw Paw; F. L. Bradford, St. Joseph; David Brake, Fremont; G. R. Gale, Shelby; John Lang, Sodus; Amos Tucker, South Haven; C. L. Brody, secretary-manager of the Michigan State Farm Bureau represents that organization on the board of directors.

The Executive Committee which will handle affairs of the Ass'n in the absence of the full Board of Directors was chosen by the directors from their number as follows: Pres. Buskirk, Vice-Presidents Rogers and Tucker, Sec'y Bradford, Directors, Gowdy, Gale, Overton and Nafziger.

The meeting opened March 25th at the St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce. Addresses were made by Walton Pettee, national co-operative marketing leader, and Pres. James Nicol on the importance of co-operative marketing to both the farmer and business man. The meeting was attended by a number of business men and bankers from the fruit belt. About 300 were present.

E. L. Ewing, traffic counsel for the Michigan State Farm Bureau, gave a splendid address on transportation as it affects the fruit growers' business through many kinds of rates and shipping advantages and disadvantages, depending on the strength of organization the fruit grower has to look out for his interests.

G. L. Brody, secretary-manager of the State Farm Bureau, described the working relation of the State Farm Bureau with the Michigan Fruit Growers. Hale Tansant of the M. A. C. Markets Dept spoke on the advantages of the strong type of organization the Fruit Growers have.

Bradford Makes Report F. L. Bradford, secretary of the Michigan Fruit Growers, made a very able report on last year's business, showing the difficulties in the matter of over production and other unavoidable troubles that confronted the Fruit Growers in its first year of trying to do a state-wide fruit marketing business. These difficulties could not be entirely overcome but had to be met with the best means at hand said Mr. Bradford, who pointed out the need of a long time growers' contract to assure the organization of 50 per cent of the fruit volume, which would be commanding. He said that the Michigan Potato Growers have suffered as much or more than the Fruit Growers and have come to accept a long time growers' contract, which seems to be quite general with successful co-operative marketing organizations.

"One of our fall and winter activities," said Mr. Bradford, "has been our freight problems, the more we come into contact with freight problems and compare them with rates of other sections the more we are (Continued on page two)

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THE STATE FARM BUREAU'S PROGRAM

TAXATION—Relief for sorely burdened farm property by enactment of: (a) Two cent gasoline tax for highway funds. (b) State Income Tax in place of State's general property levy. (c) Law forbidding any more tax exempt securities. TRANSPORTATION—Immediate application of Michigan Zone Rate decision to save farmer shippers in 69 counties \$500,000 annually. MARKETING—Extension of sound co-operative marketing program now well under way in Michigan. LEGISLATION—Congressional adoption of Ford's Muscle Shoals offer; opposition to sales tax, to subsidies of any kind to any industry.

A LESSON FROM THE SAD EXPERIENCE OF A GOAT

One day a fox fell down a well and although there was not much water in it, the walls of the well were a little too high for the fox to jump out. After several hours of waiting and trying, a goat happened along and hearing the fox, he stopped and looked down into the well. "What's the matter?" inquired the fox. "Did you fall in?" "Oh, no!" answered the fox. "I came down here purposely. Haven't you heard the news? The weather has been so very warm and the country is drying up. Soon there will be no water except in this well and all the animals will die of thirst—Better join me before it's too late." The goat hesitated a second, then jumped down and, the moment he was down, the fox leaped on his back and out of the well.—Aesop's Fable.

What a striking lesson there is in the story of the fox and the goat.

Every year too many farmers buy clover and alfalfa seed without making sure that it is northern, domestic grown.

They listen to talk about "price" and "germination" and "just as good" and never think to make sure of the all-important question of "ORIGIN."

They jump down the well, part with their hard earned dollars and get seed of doubtful origin and value. Too often the result is a story of crop failure, broken hopes, fields fouled with noxious weeds,—a season of regrets.

Learn to demand the "origin" of your seed, make sure that it is northern grown domestic before you buy. Your State Farm Bureau Seed Dept offers you this service—seeds of known origin, adapted to Michigan, pure, and of high germination, guaranteed to the full purchase price to be as represented in all these respects.

You can get the full line of Farm Bureau field seeds—Clovers,

Alfalfa, Grasses, Grains, Beans, etc., at Your Local Co-operative Ass'n. They are the best investment you can make towards a satisfactory crop.

A word to the wise is sufficient; it is better to be safe than sorry.

Mich. Fruit Growers Hold Annual Meeting

(Continued from page one) impressed that our yearly preventable freight losses in packages and tons is far more than the total cost of our local, central and national associations. We have been paying the toll year after year with no organized effort to correct it simply because it has not shown up on our statement every time we received a settlement.

Farm Bureau Helps Growers

"The zoning case has been fought at least five years by Chambers of Commerce, Traffic Leagues, Manufacturing Ass'ns, and the Michigan State Farm Bureau. The winning of this case means a saving to us growers of \$10 to \$15 on every car we ship out, also \$1 a ton on merchandise we bring in. Berrien county alone shipped 10,000 cars of fruits this season which means about \$125,000 possible savings on out-bound freight for one year, for the entire fruit belt possibly \$500,000 annually. Yet we have hardly appreciated that we have a farm organization fighting that battle for us.

Improvements We Need

"How many of us know we hardly have a commodity rate out of Michigan? This is probably because we have not organized like others to take care of our freight problems. Here is an example of what we pay—class rate from Berrien County to St. Paul is \$23.90 per ton, commodity rate to the same point \$22.10 or \$1.80 less. That's worth something. But, the class rate from California to St. Paul on grapes is \$71.50 per ton, the commodity rate is \$34.60, a reduction of 60 per cent or ten times the reduction we have. What's more the same commodity rate will deliver those California grapes to New York City for no more extra cost. Now California got those rates by organizing all the growers and then by showing the banker and business men that they were well organized and they got the rates. Now they want a further reduction of \$5.80 per ton. Through farm organization such as the Michigan Fruit Growers and Michigan State Farm Bureau they have many other advantages—can divert cars west of Chicago free and we pay \$5 a car; their icing charges are far below ours, and so on.

Future Looks Good

"In regard to marketing in 1924 we are agreed that we want an all Michigan marketing service, our own sales manager, a high-grade man, to be engaged the year around on our problems and to know the marketing game thoroughly."

Mr. Bradford's report showed that during its first year the Michigan Fruit Growers, Inc., operated entirely within its income and all of its funds from its capital stock is still in its treasury.

The directors and fruit growers present felt that this session had been very much worth while, that it had made the way clear for a good year in 1924 and they went back home with a resolve to get in and push to the best of their ability.

MILKMAKER INCREASED FLOW 5 TO 15 LBS. DAILY

Hale, Michigan, Feb. 4, 1924 Michigan State Farm Bureau, Lansing, Michigan. Gentlemen: I am writing you a few lines of the experience that I have had with Milkmaker, the dairy feed of which I have bought fifty hundred, feeding the same to my cows every day. This feed is the highest in dairy ration that we have bought yet and gives good results from the amount being fed. It increased the flow of milk from our cows from 5 to 15 lbs. of each cow and besides it keeps the cows in good shape. I believe your dairy ration could be recommended to anybody and they will be perfectly satisfied after trying it out. Yours truly, Richard Adam (Iosco Co.)

Mich. Wool Buyers Discuss 1924 Markets

(Continued from page one) him a fair price for fleeces even if he had to hold them in storage to realize his profit. Considerable old wool is still on hand, it was stated, although practically every large manufacturer has bought close for some time so that the textile mills have virtually closed out of raw materials and are pursuing policy of hand-to-mouth buying while their mills are kept operating only about 60 per cent of capacity.

KALAMAZOO OPENS SECOND CAMPAIGN

90 Leading Farmers Are Making Neighbors Members

Kalamazoo, March 23.—Ninety Kalamazoo County Farm Bureau members are putting on the second membership campaign for Kalamazoo County Bureau, the first county in the state where local men are putting on the second campaign from start to finish. In several other counties such local organizations are following up the work of the State solicitors.

H. R. Andre of the State Farm Bureau and Cecil A. Clapp, secretary of the Kalamazoo Bureau, are in charge of the county organization committee work.

March 22 the ninety attended a Farm Bureau school at Kalamazoo, with dinner at the Y. W. C. A. State Farm Bureau men representing the Seed, Purchasing, Wool and Organization depts were there and discussed the service that State organization is giving.

The Kalamazoo campaign is well under way. Spurred by the example Calhoun, Muskegon, Gratiot, Grand Traverse, Antrim and Emmet counties are preparing for the same kind of a campaign. It speaks well for the permanence of Farm Bureau work when 90 of the best farmers in a county are ready to go out and work in a membership campaign.

Opposes A. F. B. F. Stand on Muscle Shoals

The NEWS is glad to print the letters of Farm Bureau members on questions that interest the membership. All such letters must be signed. Communications are invited. The NEWS is the members' paper.

OPEN LETTER to the OFFICERS OF THE AMERICAN FARM BUREAU

Gentlemen: A farmer, Granger, Farm Bureau member and long time "Co-operator" but most as an American citizen, I wish to enter a most emphatic protest against the action of our Farm organization officials in abetting and aiding in the handing over to Henry Ford of the Muscle Shoals national property. It is especially objectionable just now in view of the "oil bribes" and "steals" that "no honest farmers" should on account of what amounts to nothing more or less than a bribe in the form of a promise of cheaper fertilizer, support Henry Ford's big steal, for that in the last analysis is all it is.

Who gave the present generation the power, the authority to hand over the rich, wonderful gifts that the Creator, the Father has given to all, the unborn as well as the living to certain individuals as if these individuals had a divine patent on these gifts; as if they were the special favored sons of the Almighty? Of what special blue clay is this his industrial majesty, our beloved "Henry the Great" made that he should get a grant of one of the most valuable natural resources in America upon his "own terms"? Of what special stuff is Henry Ford composed that the 50 year motor power clause should not apply to him? Is he a God, or superman? There is one consolation,—long before the 100 years are up, the lease won't be worth the paper it is printed on. 100 year lease, 100 years "Not on your life." Why, the thing is not only a crime, it is utterly preposterous, absurd, yea, grotesque. What unmitigated cheek, what colossal gall we have to think that we can thus bind future generations. It is high time that a different, a better, a nobler standard of ethics obtains regarding the riches of the earth than the present grab and grab first brand. This, "after us, the deluge" moral standard must give way. Respectfully submitted, Louis A. Bregger, Outlook Farm, Bangor, Michigan, March 25, 1924.

Live Stock Exch. Sells 105 Cars For Co-ops.

Detroit, March 20.—During the week ending March 20, 1924, the Michigan Live Stock Exchange Commission Merchants at Detroit stockyards sold 105 carloads of stock for 65 member co-operative associations and individual shippers, handling a little better than one-third of the total receipts of the Detroit market.

Kalkaska Bur. Saves County 2 Good Sires

Kalkaska, March 25.—Two good registered Holstein Friesian sires have been saved to this county because their owners hit on the plan of exchanging them after they had outlived their usefulness as herd sires in their particular herds because of danger of too close in-breeding. A. M. Hauenstein of Kalkaska traded Maryland Hengerveld Kordyke to George Puffer of South Boardman for Big Traverse Clothilde Lad. The trade was effected through the County Farm Bureau, which put these men in touch with each other, another kind of Farm Bureau service.

Women Find These Bulletins Are Helpful

Washington, March 25.—The following popular U. S. Dept. of Agriculture home bulletins, obtainable by writing the Dept. at Washington, D. C., have had distributions ranging from 104,000 to 488,000 during the past year. No. 1136, Baking in the Home, leads the list. Other popular bulletins are No. 861, Removal of Common Stains; No. 712, School Lunches; No. 1219, Floors and Floor Coverings; No. 1180, House Cleaning Made Easy; No. 1099, Home Laundrying.

MICHIGAN LEADS IN BUFFALO LIVE STOCK DIVIDENDS

Co-operation Saves Wolverine Shippers \$10,653 the First Year

Jan. 11, 1924, the Michigan Farm Bureau News announced that the Producers Co-operative Commission Ass'n at East Buffalo would distribute a patronage dividend of \$24,225.69 to its patrons, who are the live stock ass'n members of the Michigan, Ohio, and Indiana Live Stock Exchanges. This dividend was the savings made on the first year's business and was roughly \$4 a car for the shippers.

The dividend has been paid back to all of the local ass'ns and the following information will be of interest to the participating live stock shippers:

The shipping ass'n receiving the largest patronage dividend on basis of tonnage shipped was the Wells County Farm Bureau, Bluffton, Ind.,—\$1,971.45. The shipping ass'n in Michigan receiving the largest refund was the Square Deal Co-op Ass'n at Charlotte—\$681.45. The Lenawee County (Mich.) Ass'ns earned the largest total refund for a county—\$1,875.51, followed by Hillsdale County shippers with \$1,671.17. Michigan led in the proportion with \$10,653.70 coming back to her shippers.

Business Is Thriving

Michigan had 97 live stock ass'ns consigning stock to the Producers at Buffalo. Business is thriving at the Buffalo house owned by Michigan co-operative live stock shippers and is on the gain right along. Following is the proportion of the \$24,225.69 dividend by states:

Table with 2 columns: State, Dividend Amount. Michigan: \$10,653.70; Indiana: 10,131.18; Ohio: 3,079.74; Iowa: 212.56; New York: 94.01; Illinois: 34.76; Pennsylvania: 19.74.

It is noted that in addition to the three main states, Michigan, Ohio and Indiana, whose Live Stock Exchanges and State Farm Bureaus organized the Buffalo Producers, shipments have been accepted from other states. New York holds a State membership in the Buffalo house.

How Mich. Ass'ns Shared

Of the 97 Michigan local shipping ass'ns consigning stock to the Buffalo Producers, 36 received patronage dividends of \$100 or more, based on the volume of stock that they had shipped. Four received more than \$400 each, 3 more than \$300 each and 11 others passed \$200 each. The 36 are listed herewith, in most cases the name of the ass'n indicates its location:

Table with 2 columns: Ass'n Name, Dividend Amount. Square Deal Co-op, Charlotte: \$681.54; Farmers Co-op, Blissfield: 486.25; Tri-State, Montgomery: 459.49; Central Barry, Hastings: 449.55; Coldwater Co-op: 421.58; Reading Co-op: 330.90; Union Co-op, Lansing: 230.70; Farmers Shipping Ass'n, Hudson: 215.10; Dowagiac Ass'n: 209.61; Homer Co-op: 274.43; Constantine Ass'n: 268.73; Sturgis Co-op: 254.63; Batavia Co-op: 247.62; Central Farmers Assn, Cassopolis: 231.01; Quincy Shippers Ass'n: 229.45; Marlette Elev.: 216.06; Delton Co-op: 211.73; Bad Axe Ass'n: 209.47; Pittsford Co-op: 203.52; Union City Ass'n: 199.47; Prattville Ass'n: 179.00; Farmers Sh'p'g Ass'n, Gladwin: 165.31; Bronson Co-op Ass'n: 161.04; Munson Co-op Ass'n: 146.25; Osseo Ass'n: 144.12; Burr Oak Co-op: 141.09; North Adams Ass'n: 139.48; Deckerville Farm Bur.: 133.23; Morenci Co-op: 131.12; Centerville Co-op: 125.17; Woodland Co-op: 124.78; Davison Sh'p'g Ass'n: 124.02; Tecumseh Co-op: 114.18; Brooklyn Co-op: 109.40; Kinde Live Stock Ass'n: 107.50; McGregor Co-op: 100.95.

Sells 3 Bulls Through Mich. Farm Bur. News

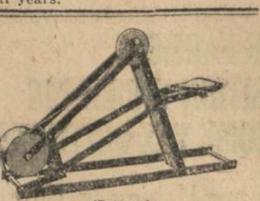
Hickory Grove Guernsey Farm, Eau Claire, Mich., March 19, 1924. Editor Farm Bureau News, Lansing, Mich. Dear Sir: In answer to yours of the 17th inst. will say that I am well pleased with the results of my Business News ad in your paper. I received eight inquiries and sold three bulls. I assure you I will use the Michigan Farm Bureau News when I need more advertising. Yours very truly, GLENN CLARK.

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Re-engage Kidman

St. Clair, Mar. 27.—C. M. Kidman, St. Clair County Agr'l Agent, has been re-engaged for another year by the Executive Committee of the St. Clair County Farm Bureau. Mr. Kidman has made a very good record in St. Clair County during the past several years.



A New Tool Grinder

FOR FARMERS, CARPENTERS AND MECHANICS

It gets its power by pulley friction with rear wheel auto tire. With your foot on pedal you start and stop it at will. Runs fast and smooth, grinds easy. No jobs too big or too small. It folds up and is portable. USE IT ANYWHERE ON THE FARM, where and when you need it.

GUARANTEED, will last a life time. Nothing to go wrong. Just the thing for plow points, plow coulters, cultivator teeth, etc. High grade 17 carbide grinding wheel. YOU'LL FIND NO VALUE LIKE THIS ANYWHERE. If this grinder is not known in your locality, get in now on special introduction price of \$15. FREIGHT PREPAID. If interested as distributor, advise us. We can please you and your customers.

AUTO POWER FOLDING TOOL GRINDER CO.

Marion Springs, P. O. Brant, Mich.

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We offer "1,200 to One" seed beans—hardy, big producers, early maturing, light pickers, splendid quality at \$3 bushel, f. o. b. Decker, bags free. Bargain. Order quick.

What Is Your Experience?

In shipping to the Michigan Live Stock Exchange Commission Merchants at Detroit yards or to the Producers Co-op Commission House at East Buffalo, N. Y. We would be glad to have you write us as to whether it has been worth while or not. There are plenty of brother farmers who would be glad to know what you know. Only you can tell it best. What have you to say?

In the meantime, we're going on as usual, giving you the best service we know how. We know our salesmen are the peers of any on any market. Read the article in this issue of the News on the Buffalo Prod. Co-op Comm. house. Ship to—

Mich. Livestock Exch. at Detroit

Prod. Co-op. Com. Ass'n at East Buffalo

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A combination that is hard to beat.

QUALITY in a suit or coat stands FIRST, LAST and ALWAYS foremost in our estimation.

Experience has taught us that with QUALITY we must take into consideration FIT and TAILORING, which we surely do. We have the quality and the tailoring,—tailoring you will be satisfied with. When you are satisfied we are.

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Every garment we make is to your individual measure and a perfect fit is guaranteed.

If it is not convenient for you to call and inspect the largest and best assortment of virgin woolsens we have ever had, drop us a postal card and we will mail you samples of MERCHANDISE OF MERIT FOR LESS.

Michigan State Farm Bureau Clothing Dept 221-27 N. Cedar St., Lansing, Michigan

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From thoroughbred stock that has been consistently bred for High Flock Averages, thoroughly culled by experts, and then certified by the Michigan Baby Chick Association.

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You take no chances. We guarantee 100% live arrival of strong healthy chicks and pay all charges to your door. START NOW with our noted, tested, and tried strain. It will mean many extra dollars to you next winter.

We can book your order for shipment on any Monday during April or May at the following prices: Order Early Price per 100 chicks. English S. C. White Leghorns mated to the famous Hollywood Order Early Price per 100 chicks. English S. C. White Leghorns, Rural Mated. \$15.00 \$3.00

S. C. Brown Leghorns \$14.00 per 100 \$3.00 per 100 S. C. Mottled Anconas \$15.00 per 100 \$4.00 per 100 Barred Rocks \$18.00 per 100 \$7.00 per 100 Mixed Broiler Chicks \$12.00 per 100 \$8.00 per 100

DISCOUNT 1/2% per chick in 500 lots, 1c per chick in 100 lots. You need to enclose only 10c with the order and can pay the balance 10 days before shipping date. Forward your order to:

RURAL POULTRY FARM, Dep't. 111, R-1, ZEELAND, MICH.; J. Janssen, Prop., Member Mich. State Farm Bureau

Why Is the Produce Exch. Your Best Poultry Market?

Answer—We have the best poultry, dressed veal and egg trade in Detroit, the folks who want the best. They prefer choice Michigan poultry. We handle nothing else. They pay the highest market price.

Poultry that comes to Detroit from far away states is often rousy.

Because of superior returns and service to our shippers our business is double that of one year ago. Our shipments arrive in good shape. Our customers are satisfied. Shippers write us that they get more through the Farm Bureau Produce Exchange than anywhere else. We remit their money and send their crates back promptly.

TIMELY MARKET NEWS

POULTRY—Exceptionally good demand for fat hens from now till Easter. Demand strong for capons, broilers, ducks. VEAL—Steady demand. Moving freely.

How To Ship To Us

Write us today for shipping tags. Tell what you want to send. Send the best for best returns. Everything is graded carefully and you get the benefit of the quality you send.

(Note New Street Address Below)



Detroit, Michigan 2610-16 Riopelle St. Phone Cadillac 2270

READ MICHIGAN WOOL GROWERS' ASS'N 1924 MARKETING PLAN

Marketing Agreement

MICHIGAN WOOL GROWERS' CO-OPERATIVE MARKETING ASSOCIATION

The Michigan Wool Growers' Co-operative Marketing Association, a non-profit association organized under the co-operative marketing laws of Michigan, hereinafter called the Association, first party, and the undersigned Grower, second party, agree:

1. The grower is a member of the Association and is helping to carry out the aims of the Association for co-operative marketing and stabilizing wool markets in the interest of the grower and the public through this and similar obligations undertaken by other growers.
2. The Association agrees to sell for and the grower agrees to deliver for sale to the Association all of the wool produced by or for him or acquired by him as landlord or lessor during the year 1924 and annually thereafter unless this agreement is terminated by either party by a written notice from one to the other between the first day of February and the first day of March of any year after 1924.
3. All wool shall be delivered at the warehouse specified by the Association.
4. The Association shall pool the wools of the grower with wools of similar grade and character produced by other growers and sell all such wool at the best prices obtainable under market conditions.
5. The Association further shall store all wools offered it under the terms of this contract, furnish sacks, perform all labor, grade, insure at full value, and guarantee to the grower the payment of the net proceeds of the sale of his wool, less the cost of all the aforementioned services, the maintaining of the Association and the creating of surplus funds for credit and other general commercial purposes. The Association further agrees that this total cost shall not exceed 2% cents per pound, provided a total of not less than 2,000,000 pounds is held under the terms of this contract.
6. The Association agrees to make liberal cash loans on all wool consigned to it upon arrival of wool at the Association warehouse when the grower asks for same.
7. The grower authorizes the Association to deduct annually from the funds received from the sale of his wool, 25 cents as a year's subscription to the paper or journal published by this Association or in conjunction with other co-operative associations, which shall be included in the charge provided for in paragraph 5.
8. For the purpose of compensating the County, State, and American Farm Bureau Federations for field and other services to be rendered to this Association and its members, an additional charge of one-half cent per pound shall be made upon all wool handled for the members of this Association; provided, however, that where any member of this Association is a paid-up member of his County, State, and American Farm Bureau Federation such additional charge shall not be collected. In event that any member of the Association shall fail, neglect, or refuse to pay the annual dues in his County, State, and American Farm Bureau Federations, then such additional charges shall be deducted by the Association from the sum or sums due the member upon his wool handled by the Association and such additional charge shall be paid to the State Farm Bureau for their services as herein above provided for.
9. This agreement is one of a series generally similar in terms, comprising with all such agreements signed by individual growers or otherwise, one single contract between the Association and the said growers, and individually obligated under all the terms thereof.
10. The Association shall be deemed to be acting in its own name for all such growers in any action or legal proceedings on or arising out of this contract.
11. Inasmuch as the remedy at law would be inadequate and inasmuch as it is now and ever will be impracticable and extremely difficult to determine the actual damage resulting to the Association, should the grower fail to deliver all of his wool to the Association, the grower hereby agrees to pay to the Association for all wool delivered, consigned, or marketed or withheld by or for him, other than in accordance with the terms hereof, the sum of five cents per pound as liquidated damages for the breach of this contract, which shall in no way be considered as a penalty; all parties agree that the contract is one of a series dependent for its true value upon the adherence of each and all of the growers to each and all of the said contract.
12. If the Association brings any action whatsoever by reason of a breach or threatened breach hereof, the grower agrees to pay the Association all costs of court action, traveling expense and other expense caused by litigation arising from failure of any member to comply with the terms of this contract.
13. The parties agree that there are no oral or other conditions, promises, covenants, representations, or inducements in addition to or in variance with any of the terms hereof, that this agreement represents the voluntary and clear understanding of both parties fully and completely.
14. The grower hereby acknowledges receipt of a duplicate original of this agreement.

Read, considered and signed at _____ this _____ day of _____, 192_____.

Grower _____ Rural Route _____

Grower's county _____

Estimated production for 1924 _____ pounds.

THE MICHIGAN WOOL GROWERS' CO-OPERATIVE MARKETING ASS'N

By _____ Local Representative. _____ Sec'y.-Treas.-Gen. Mgr

WE'RE SELLING OUR CLIP WITH OHIO GROWERS' ASS'N

Clip to be Contracted With Closing Date for Taking Contracts

HANDLING CHARGE 2 3/4c
75 Per Cent Cash Advance is Likely; F. Bur. Men Get Special Consideration

Here is the Marketing Agreement of the Michigan Wool Growers Co-operative Marketing Ass'n, as adopted by representatives from leading Michigan wool producing counties at the State Farm Bureau at Lansing, March 11.

This is the agreement growers will sign in order to participate in the Ass'n's 1924 marketing plan, which is the operation of the State Farm Bureau's annual wool pool along improved lines.

Opposite is the Organization Agreement which the wool grower signs as part of the marketing agreement. The Organization Agreement gives the wool grower his membership in the Michigan Wool Growers Ass'n, a voice in conducting its affairs and gives him a full statement of the purposes and rules of the Ass'n.

Only by being a member of the Ass'n can he participate in the Marketing Agreement. The Organization Agreement also provides for a better form of organization as the Ass'n develops.

Readers should observe that the Marketing Agreement is a one year contract, that no wool will be accepted unless there is a contract; that the handling charge is fixed at 2 3/4c per lb. for Farm Bureau members half a cent more for non-members; that a liberal cash advance is provided and that a closing date will be set in late spring, after which no contracts can be accepted. The grower is acting in his own interest if he studies this contract now and writes in at once for his Marketing and Organization agreements.

Time to Organize Wool

The Michigan Wool Growers Co-operative Marketing Ass'n and the Michigan State Farm Bureau's 1924 wool pool are one and the same, with this difference over 1923, that the time has come when Michigan wool growers can begin to organize their commodity and they are doing so. A committee of wool growers is in charge of the 1924 wool marketing arrangements of the Farm Bureau.

The Michigan Wool Growers Ass'n is co-operating with the Ohio Wool Growers' Ass'n in its great wool sales system. This is a matter of contract between the two Ass'ns. To date Ohio Ass'n members have contracted 3,000,000 lbs. of the 1924 clip to their organization on the same contract that Michigan wool growers will use. This guarantees to Michigan growers the two and three-fourths cents per pound handling charge as set forth in the above marketing agreement.

Michigan growers contract with their own Ass'n as do the Ohio folks with their Ass'n. Michigan men will ship their wool direct to the Ohio Wool Growers Ass'n warehouse at Columbus, Ohio, when and as directed by the Michigan Wool Growers Ass'n, which has its headquarters at the State Farm Bureau in Lansing.

Here's the point of a closing date on contracts and early signing of the same. After the closing date all contracts will be in, then directions can be sent to local points for the assembling and shipping of wool in carlots or as may be handled best. Wool bags will be sent in advance by the State Farm Bureau.

Wool Growers, read these two agreements. All the information is there. If interested, fill out the WOOL GROWERS' coupon on this page and send it to the Michigan Wool Growers' Ass'n, State Farm Bureau, Lansing, Mich., today.

WOOL GROWERS

Application for 1924 Wool Marketing Agreement
To Michigan Wool Growers Co-op M'k'g Ass'n
Michigan State Farm Bureau
LANSING, MICHIGAN.

Gentlemen:

Please send me Wool Marketing Agreement and Organization Agreement of Michigan Wool Growers Co-operative Marketing Ass'n for 1924. Also sacks for shipping wool at your direction.

I expect to have about _____ lbs. of wool.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ R. F. D. _____

Don't delay filling out and returning this application.

Organization Agreement

MICHIGAN WOOL GROWERS' CO-OPERATIVE MARKETING ASSOCIATION

The undersigned propose to organize a co-operative association for the purpose of promoting, fostering and encouraging the business of marketing wool co-operatively; for reducing speculation, stabilizing wool markets, and for co-operatively and collectively handling the problems of wool growers and for other pertinent purposes.

We, the undersigned, in consideration of the premises and of our mutual undertakings and of the agreement of each and every party hereto, do hereby agree as follows, each for himself and collectively for the express benefit of and as the association to be organized.

1. We will become members of the Michigan Wool Growers Co-operative Marketing Association, a non-profit association to be organized under the co-operative marketing laws of the state of Michigan.
2. The Association may include in its membership any sheep or wool grower or the landlord or tenant of land on which sheep are grown, provided the landlord or lessor receives all or part of his rental in wool.
3. The affairs of the Association shall be controlled by a board, directors, and the office of the Association shall be at Lansing, Michigan.
4. Such directors shall be elected from members actually residing and growing sheep and wool in districts to be fixed equitably and specified by the Organization Committee on the basis of the wool produced in the district. Each district shall include approximately the same estimated production covered by the members in any other district, but not more than one director shall be elected from a single county, and counties within each district shall be kept intact.
5. The members in each county in each district shall meet annually for a primary election to be held in the county and conducted as and where specified by the directors and shall select one delegate for every hundred thousand or majority fraction of a hundred thousand pounds of wool produced in the preceding year in such county, provided that each county in such district shall be entitled to at least one delegate. The said delegates shall then meet where, when, and as instructed by the directors and shall elect from among the members of the district one director to represent such district upon the board of directors. The election of such directors by district delegates shall be final as to the Association.
6. If unable to attend, the members may vote at such primary meeting by mail on a signed ballot prepared under direction of the Board of Directors.
7. The Organization Committee shall fix and specify or change the said districts and the counties included therein so as to maintain at all times fair and equitable representation of the wool producing counties and districts included in the membership.
8. The board shall appoint an Executive Committee of (5) directors to conduct the affairs of the Association, subject to the general control of the Board of Directors.
9. Informal local branches of the Association shall be created and maintained in every county. The Association will provide uniform rules for such branches.
10. Every member of the Association shall have one vote and no more.
11. The Association will confine itself to the problems of marketing wool for its members only. It shall have suitable articles of incorporation and by-laws stating the purposes and powers of the Association, the rights and duties of members, manner of forfeiture of membership, value of property, interests on withdrawal, and any other necessary, pertinent, and important points of organization as determined by the Organization Committee.
12. The Association shall be organized by the Organization Committee, consisting of a chairman, vice-chairman, secretary and treasurer, additional members, one from each of the leading wool producing counties, and the said Organization Committee may increase its members, elect new members in place of any who may resign or be unable to act, appoint an Executive Committee of three to conduct its detail affairs, open headquarters, incur necessary obligations, and make expenditures and take such steps as it may deem advisable to secure subscribers for this agreement and members of the Association.

WOOL GROWERS ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE AND THEIR COUNTIES

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| M. L. Noon, President, Jackson (Jackson) | George Bateman, Grand Ledge (Clinton) |
| Eli Lindsay, Doster (Barry) | Lloyd M. Gee, Jackson (Jackson) |
| H. S. Housman, Albion (Calhoun) | John Hawkins, Hudson (Lenawee) |
| F. C. Tirrell, Charlotte (Eaton) | F. S. Weis, Brighton (Livingston) |
| M. T. Cooney, Gaines (Genesee) | C. M. Urch, Durand (Shiawassee) |
| H. E. Powell, Ionia (Ionia) | Jay Smith, Ann Arbor (Washtenaw) |

12. If by February 1, 1925, signatures of wool growers or persons eligible to membership covering at least one-half million pounds of wool shall have been secured for this agreement, the Organization Committee shall so notify every subscriber at his address noted below, prior to February 15, 1925.

When such required number of signatures have been obtained, the Organization Committee shall proceed to organize the Association and handle the 1925 crop, as set out in the Marketing Agreement.

13. We do hereby authorize the Organization Committee as the representative of all of the subscribers to take such steps as it may deem proper to secure subscribers hereto, and when the adequate number has been secured to hold primary elections and have the signers elect delegates to elect the organizing directors from among growers subscribing hereto, conforming as closely as possible to the provisions of paragraph 4, and to take all steps necessary and advisable to organize the Association.

The Association when organized shall make every reasonable effort to secure signatures of additional growers to the standard marketing agreement covering the largest possible percentage of the sheep and wool grown within the state of Michigan.

14. The subscriber agrees to execute when requested by the Association a marketing agreement in terms substantially the same as those set forth in the agreement herewith embodied, or at the option of the Board of Directors to be set by the terms of the following marketing agreement. For such purposes signatures to this Association contract shall be deemed to all effects the same as signature to the said marketing agreement and as acceptance of the exercise of such option by the Board of Directors. Notice thereof shall be mailed to each subscriber at his address noted below. The subscriber hereby agrees that the Association when organized may accept as members all growers who have heretofore executed Wool Marketing Agreements with the Michigan Wool Growers Co-operative Marketing Association. And that said agreement shall have the same force and effect as if made directly with this Association.

15. The subscriber here applies for membership in the Association when organized and expressly agrees that his signature to this Association contract and to the marketing agreement herewith embodied and to this application for membership shall be irrevocable upon compliance with the provisions of paragraph 12, and that he so agrees in order to induce other growers to sign this agreement for his benefit as well as for their own general benefit and the public welfare.

16. Acceptance of this application for membership and of the marketing agreement shall be deemed conclusive upon the mailing of the notice by the Association, and such mailing and notice shall be conclusively established by the affidavit of the secretary of the Association.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ R. F. D. _____

MR. LYONS FIGURES COST IN HIDES OF HIS NEW HARNESS

If He Had Skinned Everything Except the Dog He Would Still Lack \$23.80

Onward, March 26.—Add Roy V. Lyon of Onaway to the list of those who have figures to show just how

bad off the farmer really is. White-collared, swivel chair statisticians have complicated charts and tables to show all about the relative purchasing power of the farmers' dollar now and before the war. They speak glibly about the "ratio" of the price of one commodity to that of another, etc.

But now comes Mr. Lyon and does some figuring on his own account. Mr. Lyon, who by the way is president of the Cheboygan County Farm Bureau, is a thoughtful man who likes to look into things and

discover the real facts. Recently he purchased a new set of harness and collars at what seemed to him to be the exorbitant price of \$90.00. Thinking this to be a little out of line with the price of raw hides, he did a little figuring to find how many farm hides he would have to sell to pay for his harness.

First he took his 16 cows and figuring the average weight of each hide at 55 pounds and the price per pound as 4 cents he found that the hides of all his 16 cows would bring him only \$35.20. So he added the hides of 5 head of young stock, totaling 150 pounds, or \$6.00. Still being short nearly \$50.00 he added the hides of his 6 horses, figured at \$2.50 each, and the shorn pelts of his 100 sheep, figured at 10 cents each, and found that the whole thing totaled only \$66.20, or \$23.80 short of enough to pay for his harness.

"This is a serious situation," says Mr. Lyon. "The only thing for us farmers to do is to do like other classes have done, that is to organize so we can have something to say about the price of what we buy and sell. If we farmers were fully organized we could take care of our own interests without Congress worrying about special emergency laws for our relief."

It is good business to ship your poultry, eggs and dressed veal to the Farm Bureau Produce Exch. at its new address, 2610-16 Ripelle St., Detroit, for the best and prompt returns.

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- No. 1B Alfalfa, contains about 1% of sweet clover and sells \$1 per bushel less than No. 1.
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- Red Clover 70%, Alsike 30%, quoted \$3 per bushel under F. B. Brand No. 1 Alfalfa and \$1 above No. 1 Sweet Clover.
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- Sweet Clover 70%, Alfalfa 30%, sells for \$1 above F. B. No. 1 Sweet Clover and \$3.50 per bushel under F. B. No. 1 Alfalfa.

MICHIGAN STATE FARM BUREAU Seed Dep't. Lansing, Michigan

TESTING RECORDS WERE WORTH \$400

Davison, March 20.—Ten month membership in one of the seven cow testing associations promoted by the Genesee County Farm Bureau was worth \$400 in actual cash value and at least that much in feed cost savings to Ira Dickinson, a local farmer.

Mr. Dickinson invested \$39 in cow testing work, received 9 or 10 herd tests and realized \$400 actual cash on his investment at a sale at the end of ten months. He sold seven Guernsey heifers and five cows at premium prices.

He was able to produce a cow tester's record for every cow that was sold. He says that the true story of performance and worth as shown by those records brought prompt, keen bidding and was worth \$400 in profits to him. Mr. Dickinson said that the real benefit from the testing association work has been the information that it has given him in the management of his own herd. Genesee County leads all Michigan counties in the number of testing associations and is second in the United States. The county has between 250 and 300 farmers in testing association work.

Eckert Kept Actual Records on Milk Maker

Freeport, Michigan, Feb. 10, 1924.

Michigan State Farm Bureau, Lansing, Michigan.

Gentlemen: I have been a very much satisfied purchaser and user of Milk Maker from the time it was first placed on the market and can heartily recommend it to other dairymen who are looking for a balanced ration at a price that will allow a profit for them. From actual records I have made 50% profit over feeding home grown feeds. The recent method of distribution also appeals to me as you have a fresh supply each month (no loss in storage) at a very small additional expense and a guaranteed price for the season.

In the open formula proposition, we farmers are putting in practice what we preach in the "Truth in Fabrics" bill. Let's all boost our organization and all its activities.

E. C. Eckert (Barry Co.)

Certified Robust Bean Seed for Sale

Germination 100%. Place your order now, as this is the time to change your seed when it is cheap. \$4.50 per bushel seed, compared to \$7.00 last year. Registered Hereford Cattle, both sexes. All ages. Write: Earl C. McCarty, Bad Axe, Huron County.

Help! Help!

Members, if you know of any fellow Farm Bureau members who should be receiving the Michigan Farm Bureau News and are not getting it, we will appreciate it very much if you will drop us a postcard, giving us their names and post-office address. We want every member to have the News.

Should you learn of any papers being delayed through incorrect address, a word to us will fix things up. Thanking you for your co-operation, we are,

Cordially yours, MICHIGAN FARM BUREAU NEWS

Editorial Office, Lansing, Mich.

Going Good

Monroe and Muskegon Bureaus have adopted the American Farm Bureau Motion Picture plan.

They have bought and paid for their motion picture machine power generator, and their programs through the earning power of their machine. It earns itself.

Five other Michigan County Farm Bureaus are ready to get these outfits.

MR. S. F. JOOR

Special A. F. B. F. motion picture representative, is in Michigan for a short time in April and May, helping County Farm Bureaus equip themselves with a motion picture outfit. For information, assistance, and dates, write Mr. Joor at once.

Address, MICHIGAN STATE FARM BUREAU Lansing Michigan

Mason Co. Member Credits Bureau for Best Dairy Feed

Ludington, Mich., R. 3, Jan. 31, 1924.

Michigan State Farm Bureau, Lansing, Michigan.

Gentlemen: Your inquiry as to our experience with Milk Maker at hand. In reply, will say that though our experience has been rather limited, as we keep only a few cows, it is the best dairy feed we have ever used.

First, it has increased milk production about 25 per cent. Last year we mixed ground corn and oats with bran and cotton seed meal and we have used various other prepared dairy feeds, but Milk Maker surpasses them all in results. We have an old cow which freshened near Thanksgiving time, which we are feeding ensilage night and morning, mixed with clover and alfalfa hay twice daily, third cutting alfalfa once a day with 8 pounds of Milk Maker a day, half in the morning and half at night, with the result that she is averaging a production of nearly 45 pounds of milk a day. This is an increase of from 10 to 15 pounds over what she ever gave before, on practically the same rations except that she had the other dairy grains in place of Milk Maker.

Second, it seems to have kept the cows' appetite good, as they have not been off feed this winter.

Third, being already mixed, it is convenient to handle, has a very pleasant odor and best of all is put out by the Michigan State Farm Bureau.

Very respectfully, WESLEY L. HAWLEY.

P. S. We are members of the Farm Bureau under the name of O. E. Hawley & Son and are for the Farm Bureau 100 per cent. Although we are not directly benefitted by all movements of the Farm Bureau, we feel that anything that benefits the farm industry in general is of direct benefit to us.

Here's hoping for greater and better co-operation among Michigan farmers, for we know that we cannot stand alone.

Wesley L. Hawley.

WILL INCREASE RAIL SERVICE

Crawford, Montmorency and Oscoda Co. Farmers Aided by Farm Bureau

Lewiston, March 20.—Farm Bureau members and others living along and depending upon the Lewiston to Grayling branch of the Michigan Central, serving Crawford, Montmorency and Oscoda counties, will be glad to learn that they are to have more train service. Since January 12 they have had one train a week. After April 1 they are to have two and probably three later on. This improvement is the result of a hearing before the Michigan Public Utilities Commission March 19, when the State Farm Bureau, represented by E. L. Ewing, its traffic counsel, and representatives of the shippers and the railroad, discussed the matter and reached an agreement, with the Commission's approval. C. W. Comstock, sec'y of the Montmorency County Farm Bureau, was the principal witness for farmers of that section. It was brought out in the hearing that the railroad had not decided to abandon the branch and that need not be feared as an impending misfortune. It was agreed by all parties that all persons dependent on the railroad should swing all their transportation business to the branch line as it is to their own interests to use the railroad service if they want it continued.

It is worth recording that Crawford, Montmorency and Oscoda counties, interested in the Lewiston branch, have a total of 26,260 cattle and sheep, of which Crawford has 2,600. They have 14,480 sheep as against 19,300 sheep for the entire Upper Peninsula.

Every dairyman and Milk Maker feeder should have this new book.

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by Savage & Maynard of Cornell. An all around dairy farmers' book. Full of helps. For your copy send \$1.25 to Mich. State Farm Bureau Purchasing Dept., Lansing, Mich. Postage Prepaid.

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Bureau Helps Folks To Home Conveniences

(Continued from page one)

Where Planning Was Needed

Recently I spent several days in a farm home that from outside appearance was ideal; the yard was kept most beautiful with its well trimmed shrubbery and lawn but the interior arrangement was simply maddening. The aged lady of the home took hundreds of extra steps every day to perform the task of cooking and serving three meals a day—and cutting through one partition for just one door would have saved her countless steps in reaching both water and fuel! Another length or two of stove pipe would have made it possible to have placed the range in a more convenient position and a drain of some kind that would have carried the refuse water outside would have been a God-send.

Our Habits Bind Us

These alterations were all within the means of their circumstances, together with many other real necessary things but no one had given them a thought. They seemed to think that because the home had been built that way that it must continue so. Often times we have lived and worked for years with certain conditions and never thought that they could be different, while some disinterested person could step in and make some suggestion that we had never before thought of and still we could readily see where the change would be beneficial.

A Visiting Helper

Here is where the Home Demonstration Agent or the Extension specialist is rendering assistance all over our state to those that have the forethought to apply for their help. I wish in every county where a Home Demonstration Agent is employed that our farm women would apply to her for all the helps in every way possible to secure, that you would form neighborhood groups and take advantage of the lessons given by the specialists that she may be able to bring within the county. This is a service that is yours if you will accept it. And to the many counties where such a leader cannot be employed there are also many opportunities to secure a great deal of help by the "group method." By working with the County Agent, interested women may arrange for these specialists to come to them to demonstrate and train along various lines. It must be kept in mind that one must make her wants known and be willing to interest others in the same projects and after applying for a visit that patience should be shown, for these meetings are scheduled for in advance and one must wait their turn before becoming established as a class.

Some Suggestions

There are so many helps that are ours if we only knew of them and accepted them as our just dues. In altering the house, in building the new home, in installing a water system, in buying equipment, in even knowing how to use what we already have, it seems the wise thing to talk it over with others, and why not go to those that have made a study along that particular line?

I have observed that many do not know of the real service that Mr. Robey of Michigan Agr'l College Farm Mechanics Dept. is doing all over our state in drafting plans for home water systems, giving instructions for making septic tanks and cesspools, advising installing kitchen sinks, bath tubs, stationary tubs, etc., and proper drainage for the farm in general. I have heard him say several times how much he regretted that so many thought they could not have these conveniences because they had an idea that all must be installed at one time. He knew how impossible that is in so many cases and he urges every one having the desire for such service to make a start with a small part of it at first and add to the system as time would allow, having in mind from the start the completed job.

Is Your Problem Here?

Let's take an inventory of our needs, be it a dress form or how to use our sewing machine attachments or how to can meat or vegetables, or the proper diet for our children, or what kind of a brush to use at house cleaning time, or how to get rid of moths, or how to make good butter or what is the matter with our bread when it does not raise as it should, or how high shall we put the sink, etc. There are countless perplexing questions of this kind starting at the everyday housekeeper and the answer is waiting for us through the County Farm Bureau office if we but make our wants known.

We too often have our thoughts on the bigger things that we hope for and lose sight of the common, homely, every day advantages that are ours for the seeking. It seems to me that it would be the very best policy of every County Farm Bureau to advise every member within its jurisdiction of these many benefits which they have supported to their full measure by their contribution towards the expense of a county office. A little attention paid to these matters counts in many cases just as much as the commercial activities of the organization. Let's see that our supporters get full measure of the good things at our door.

"What I like best about Milk Maker is that it makes more money for the same care of the cows," writes Frank Draper, Ramona Co., Mich.

TO RADIO CO-OP MK'T'G COURSE TO FARMERS

Chicago, March 27.—A complete and detailed course in co-operative marketing, given by the University lectures—the big agricultural news of the day and questions and answers will be the program of a new Chicago radio station to be established about April 1st by the Sears, Roebuck Company.

BUSINESS NEWS

3c a word per insertion for 3 or more insertions; 3 1/2c a word for each of 2 insertions; 4 cents a word for one insertion. Count each word, abbreviation and figure, including words in signatures, as words. Cash must accompany order. Mich. Farm Bureau News.

HELP WANTED

WANTED—EXPERIENCED SINGLE MAN for State wages. Mrs. C. Mason, Avoca, Mich. 4-11-24

LIVE STOCK

DUAL PURPOSE SHORTHORNS. Good individuals. Good milking inheritance. Both sexes. All ages. Geo. T. Fuller, R. No. 10, Battle Creek, Mich. 3-28-24

FOR SALE—PURE BRED DUROC Jersey Pigs. Pathfinder, at farmer's price. M. L. White, Hermansville, Mich. 3-28-24

POULTRY

CHICKS—BARRED ROCKS, WHITE Rocks from transported, bred-to-lay heavy laying stock. The breeding back of a chick is what makes or loses you money. Can handle a few more chick orders. J. J. Shear, Orono, Mich. 3-24-24

SINGLE COME WHITE LEGHORNS. Trap-nested. Pedigreed. Taking orders for May and June hatching eggs and day old chicks. Write for circular and prices. W. C. Eckard, Paw Paw, Mich. 3-23-24

IF YOU WANT BETTER CHICKS BUY C. Em Lay chicks. Bred for winter egg production. Blue ribbon winners. Winning eleven out of a possible fourteen prizes at Muskegon's Show. Flock called by Michigan Agricultural College expert. Farm under State supervision. 50 chicks, \$8.00; 100, \$15.00; 500, \$70.00. Parcel Post delivered. Em Lay Eggs Farm, Francis M. Kent, R. 4, Muskegon, Mich. 3-28-24

WHITTAKER'S RHODE ISLAND RED Chicks and eggs for hatching. Both sexes. Michigan's Greatest Color and Egg Strain. Bred from fourteen generations of winter feeders. Catalog free. Interlakes Farm, Box B, Lawrence, Mich. 4-10-24

FOR SALE, RHODE ISLAND RED Chicks from a good laying strain at \$15.00 per hundred. Safe delivery guaranteed by parcel post. H. Kooms, R. F. D. No. 1, Homer, Mich. 4-24-24

FARMS TO RENT

STOCK FARM OF 290 ACRES. REGISTERED Holstein cattle. Half interest in cattle if desired. Farm tools furnished. Sold sets of buildings, two silos, flowing spring water for cattle. References required. Maple Summit Stock Farm, R. No. 3, Cadillac, Mich.

FINE FARM TO RENT, 2 1/2 MILES from town. 240 acres, 60 is pasture land, good barn and tenant house for general farming, no dairying, mostly sheep and cattle raising. Good set of farm tools. Reasonable to applicant, also has interest in 100 good sheep if desired. Applicant must furnish reference. John C. Linn, Williamston, Ingham Co., Michigan. Near M. A. C.

SEEDS

CERTIFIED WORTHY OATS, Certified Duan, G. P. Phillips, Auctioneer, Belevue, Mich. 4-25-24

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FOR SALE—Pure Lake Champlain Melon Seed, \$3 per lb. H. G. Randall, Eau Claire, Mich., R. F. D. 3. 4-11-24

PLANTS

FRUIT TREES—BERRY PLANTS, grape vines, shrubbery, perennials, catalog free. Land's Nurseries, Dept. F. B., St. Joseph, Mich. 3-28-24

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MISCELLANEOUS

WANTED—FARMERS TO ASK FOR folder describing Little Giant Tractor and free trial offer on your farm. K. J. Turner, Agent, Saranac, Mich. 3-28-24

SILVER FOXES FOR SALE. PROVEN breeders and 124 pups at bargain prices. Quality guaranteed. McComb's Silver Fox Ranch, Remus, Mich., R. 2. 4-24-24

WANTED—NAMES OF FARMERS having clover hay or mixed hay for sale and prices on same. Harry Dey, Springport, Mich.

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"What's the Matter With Your Cream?"

"RUN out of my regular feed," I told the cream man at White Cloud when he told me that my cream had dropped about 5 points in about a week. I had been out of Milk Maker about a week and had been feeding ground oats, bran, corn meal and cottonseed meal, about 1 lb. for 4 lbs. of milk. The third time I milked the cows dropped off 4 to 5 lbs. As soon as I got three or four feeds of Milk Maker in the cows they came up again as fast as they went down and the cream test came back where it had been.

Never have had any udder trouble since I began feeding Milk Maker. My grade Jerseys look the best they ever have and are giving me 18 to 20 lbs. to a milking, the best they have ever done on the best of pasture. I feed 1 lb. Milk Maker for 4 lbs. of milk. I figure that \$1 worth of Milk Maker has brought me \$2 in return.

(Signed) FRANK JACKSON, Broham, Mich.

This is another of many good letters Farm Bureau members have sent us about Farm Bureau Milk Maker, our 24% protein, public formula dairy ration, which lists the 12 milking ingredients on the tag pound for pound. 206 co-op assns handle Milk Maker, also Farm Bureau public formula poultry feeds, cottonseed and oil meal, etc. With Milk Maker you know exactly what you're feeding—all good, safe concentrate to go with your home grown grains—fresh, clean, palatable—no filler. Ask your co-op for Milk Maker. Write us for free booklet.

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MICHIGAN STATE FARM BUREAU Purchasing Dept. Lansing, Mich.

Fruit Growers Must Consider Hardier Varieties to Make Peach Growing a Safer Industry

The Greening Nursery Co., Monroe, Michigan. South Haven, Mich. February 2nd, 1924.

Gentlemen: In response to your recent letter, I have visited the orchard of A. G. Spencer and made careful observations as to the comparative damage of peach buds of the Elberta and South Haven varieties, due to the winter freezing.

Will make the following report from Elberta trees set 1917 and South Haven from adjoining rows set 1918. A limb was taken from the south side of the South Haven trees next to them and all fruit buds carefully examined with these results. Elbertas had 27 live buds and 174 dead ones with 13.4% of live buds. South Haven had 148 live buds and 135 dead buds with 52.3% of live buds.

Limbs cut from the original South Haven tree show 48% of live buds and a check tree of Elberta shows only 7.5% of live buds.

I am glad to make this report as it verifies past years' records and furnishes added proof for the hardness of the South Haven peach. If there is no further loss these South Havens will have to be thinned this year.

Yours truly, (Signed) ROY GIBSON.

Reports we are getting on a survey we are making of several surrounding States show that common varieties either are a total loss or nearly so in the great peach growing districts. In the Lake Erie peach belt in northern Ohio Elbertas and other common varieties are practically a total loss—South Havens 100% alive.

The South Haven Peach

The Hardest Of All Worth While Commercial Varieties can only be had from us. Then, too; their quality, size, color and time of ripening (approximately 18 days before Elberta) makes them the most desirable and most profitable of all peaches. Write us today for its history and prices.

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Every Farm Bureau member who likes to make a good thing of his poultry will find what he has been looking for in the Farm Bureau's public formula poultry feeds. They are Michigan Chick Feed, Michigan Buttermilk Chick Mash, Michigan Buttermilk Egg Mash. Every ingredient is listed on the tag, pound for pound.

These feeding formulas were prepared by Prof. E. C. Foreman of the Michigan Agricultural College Poultry Dept., Michigan's leading authority on poultry feeding, management and egg production. Thousands of farmers know him for his work.

Start your chicks with Michigan Chick Feed. In a few days they will be ready for Michigan Buttermilk Chick Mash.

For egg production feed your hens what's in the egg. Michigan Buttermilk Egg Mash has these ingredients in the correct proportions. No combination of grains alone is a complete egg forming feed. Hens need protein to produce the "whites." Experiments show that 100 lbs. of ordinary grain rations produce 224 yolks and only 154 whites, the limiting factor. Michigan Buttermilk Egg Mash is 20% protein, the kinds the hen needs to keep up egg production.

MICH. CHICK FEED	MICH. BUTTERMILK CHICK MASH	MICH. BUTTERMILK EGG MASH
E. C. Foreman's Formula	E. C. Foreman's Formula	E. C. Foreman's Formula
Protein 11%—Fiber 3%, Fat 3%	Protein 19%—Fiber 7%, Fat 4%	Protein 21%—Fiber 7%, Fat 4 1/2%
Cracked Wheat 23 lbs.	Wheat Bran 25 lbs.	Corn Meal 20 lbs.
Cracked Corn 42 "	White Middlings 12 "	Wheat Bran 20 "
Steel Cut Oats 23 "	Corn Meal 15 "	Oat Flour 20 "
Granulated Bone 2 "	Oat Flour 20 "	White Middlings 20 "
	Meat Meal 10 "	Meat Meal 18 "
	Powdered Buttermilk 5 "	Salt 1 "
	Gluten Feed 5 "	Calcium Carbonate 1 "
	O. P. Oil Meal 5 "	
	Calcium Carbonate 2 "	
	Salt 1 "	

100 lbs. 100 lbs. 100 lbs.

Ask your local co-op for these high quality, truth-in-feeds Farm Bureau poultry feeds. Shipped in 100 lb. sacks. Remember, too, that your co-op can get mixed cars of poultry feeds, Farm Bureau Milk Maker, cottonseed and oil meal, etc., through your State Farm Bureau.

MICHIGAN STATE FARM BUREAU Purchasing Dept Lansing, Michigan