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MEMBERS GIVEN FACTS

Find What Representation You Are Getting

When the editors of the NEWS in. serted a notice in their last issue urging Farm Bureau members to vote at the Primary and offering to supply information as to how their legislative officials at Washington and Lansing voted on the important and the block cracks. issues affecting the farmer, they didn't realize what a job they were getting themselves into.

If they had ever wondered whether or not the members read the on it. One is the office, another the NEWS, there could be little doubt about it when letters of inquiry began to pour in from all parts of the state

In line with the well established policy of the Farm Bureau, all of these inquiries received prompt replies, giving not opinions and advice. but authentic information concerning the records of those who have had legislative experience and as far as possible giving the platforms of the new candidates for office.

Women Interested

An interesting feature of these inquiries was that about a third of them were from women, thus showing-that our rural women voters are taking an active and intelligent interest in things political, which is certainly most encouraging.

A few extracts from some of the letters will show the spirit of the inquiries. A housewife wrote, "Am sorry to admit we have forgotten just how our Congressman voted on the bills favoring agriculture. Will you please send us information. There are three voters in our family and price on Michigan Milkmaker to we want to vote right. Yours for a those who contracted for the feed larger understanding among farm. through local co-ops and Farm Bu

Another member wrote, "Please their winter's supply of Milkmaker send me a list of the names of can- from September 1 to March 1 next **GAS TAX EVENS UP** didates that are in favor of the gas at a contract price. Based on a 24% protein dairy ratax, income tax, etc. Please reply at A third letter inquired, tion, the price announced shows a THE ROAD BURDEN once.' "What representatives, senators and substantial reduction per ton over he 1923 p for governor favor the gas tax? Tell me how our Congress- prices prevailing for corn, wheat, In Ind., Cal., & Pennsylvania; man voted on the important agricul- oats and other feedstuffs. tural bills.' Between July 7 and August 9, th Michigan Will Enact One Farm Bureau Purchasing dep't **Bureau Gives Facts** Next Winter Accurate and authoritative replies through announcements in the Farm to all these inquiries have been made Bureau News and other state farm possible through the information in papers, advised all Farm Bureau The gasoline tax idea of road fithe possession of the State Farm Bu- members that during that period the reau Legislative Dep't. Through the Bureau was taking orders for winter co-operation of the Washington of supplies of Milkmaker on the con year the two cent tax had yielded fice of the American Farm Bureau tract basis. Many members availed \$4,500,000 with a total collection Federation, the State Farm Bureau themselves of the opportunity. As in expense of \$6,046. has the facts as to how every con- the past two years, their Milkmaker There never was a state that gressman voted on the important will be delivered to them in as nearly needed better roads more than rugequal shipments as possible during ged, rough and hilly Pennsylvania. farm bills the six months period. They will Since that state has been collecting As stated above, the Farm Bureau's replies have dealt with facts pay for it as they get it at the con- a two cent gasoline tax, a long and not opinions or advice. The tract price, which is the same hoped for system of good roads is following paragraph suggests the throughout the feeding period. developing rapidly. tone of these replies: California probably gets more

were obtainable at 45 cents and so

obtained only on a few items, however. The general service was good Daggett, Sept. 5 .- Farm Bureau and satisfactory, which was the main nembers around Daggett hardly let item.

campaign smoke die down before has done its bit too. Last year it TELLS YOU HOW TO DO IT hey decided to do a little co-op work held 15,000 bushels of potatoes and Use Your Legislative Dep't to of their own. They stuck to it and saved them for many farmers who Shortage Sure; Frost Looms; y each other. Today they have in probably would have lost their enthat section of Menominee county a tire crops had it not been for the co-op, and another one like it three warehouse. The weather was cold miles over to Stephenson,-that be- and the roads were bad. The waretween them command the support of house has also stimulated competi-

125 hard boiled Farm Bureau mem- tion in potato prices at Daggett. bers who have signed up for another The Daggett local is on the job. It ated with Farm Bureau and those Bureau brand seed, feeds, coal, bind- The corn crop is unusually late. Uneggs-drop them on a concrete block hardware. It is considering further service of this kind to its members. Daggett Farm Bureau Co-op start- The first year's business was \$20,ed with a chance to buy about an 000; last year's was \$100,000. Last

acre of ground with four buildings year the business paid a healthy dividend. The shares which the farmer mempotato warehouse with about 15,bers took at \$100 are now said to be 000 bushels capacity, the third is the feed, machinery and twine ware- valued at \$200. Peter Rivard, is the house and sales room and the fourth capable manager of the Daggett serves as a warehouse. The outfit Farm Bureau. He is backed by a good board of directors and a loyal

When they started flour was sell- membership. Daggett, no doubt, has ing at \$14.50 a barrel locally. The had its troubles and plenty of them. Farm Bureau brought in a carload but the members stuck and stuck of flour at \$10.50, which was appre- and plugged away, which is some-The local was able to effect thing worth considering.



gaged as manager of the Marine City Despite High Prices for Feed Co-operative Elevator Company, effective September 15. Mr. Miner Figure Is Lower Than succeeds Mr. L. Thomas, who is rein 1923 tiring. Mr. Thomas has had a great

is very favorably located.

ciated.

City Elevator to the big business that The State Farm Bureau Purchas He stands high as a good coit is. ing Dep't has announced its contract operator. Mr. Miner was with the Dowagiac Elevator Ass'n three years and made a strong institution out of reau car door agents for delivery of Elevator Exchange.

deal to do with building the Marine

GET YOURS NOW Such marked reductions were Prof. Cox, M.A.C., Says Corn in Dough or Milk Stage Will Make Seed

WILL BE SCARCE,

This Article Valuable to Corn Growers

By Prof. J. F. Cox

Farm Crops Dep't, Mich. Agr'l Col. Good seed corn is very certain to three years. They're so well satur- handles I. H. C. machinery, Farm be scarce for next spring's planting. co-ops that they are like 20 minute er twine, sugar, tires, some kinds of less special effort is made in handling seed corn, there will be a shortage This condition extends throughout the corn belt, as well as in the northern states, hence there will be no re gions of excess seed. Adapted seed should, however, be selected locally even in good corn years.

Experiments at the Michigan Agricultural College show that good seed can be secured from corn in the dough or even in the milk if it is im. mediately dried under conditions on the St. Joseph market. After b where ventilation is free. recommended that seed corn be Company for six years, he was sale selected when dented or glazed or man practically mature if possible, but if frost occurs and growth is stopped, seed ears should be selected immediately and dried thoroughly. Bulletin No. 289, Michigan Agri-

Corn Growing in Michigan" gives full information on methods of selell. ecting and curing seed corn. It may be had upon application.

Among others, the following suggestions are made:

How to Field Select Seed Corn The proper time to field selec seed corn is in September or during of his ability to think for himse October when corn is sufficiently mature and ready to husk. In making the selection, the best way is to walk down the rows with a sack over the

shoulder, or carrying a basket, shoulder, or carrying a basket, plucking those ears which are con- DEADLOCK BLOCKS desirable. sidered Mature ears He is a director of the Michigan borne on vigorous plaats growing un-

der average conditions, which are carried at the right height, about the center of the stalk or just below, and with tips slightly drooping, should be selected, then properly stored. Ears should not be taken rom lodged or "down" stalks, sinc



BEST HOG SALESMAN

Palmer C. Flournoy Palmer C. Flournoy, head hog esman for the Producers Co-op ommission Ass'n at East Buffalo,

Y., sells more hogs in one day than any other salesman east of the Mississippi river. Palmer's experi ence started about sixteen years ag It is ing trained by Morris and Swift for a leading commission firm for three years. He is respected the trade for his shrewdness an "feel" the market. ability to is due to the fact that he studies th surrounding market conditions rather than selling by impulse alon ultural College, East Lansing, on For this reason, the other salesm often wait to see what the Pr ducers are going to do before the Palmer's record days of selling hogs was after coming with the Pro ducers when they opened at Buf-falo, where he often sells more than ,000 hogs in one day. He has also

saved his patrons many thousands of dollars on weak markets because and because of the power of having larger volume of business behind him. With volume it gives him mor power on the market

SUGAR TARIFF CUT

Tariff Commission is Divided; Farm Bureau Acts for **Beet Growers**

FARM BUREAU'S TAX ASSESSMENT **INVESTIGATION IN 3 COUNTIES TO SAVE FARMERS \$25,000 ANNUALLY**

Calculations Made for Assessment Corrections in Calhoun, Ingham and Washtenaw Counties; Bureau's Evidence Proved Farms Over-Assessed

Nearly \$25,000 was saved rural tax payers in Calhoun, Ingham and Washtenaw counties by the Farm Bureau tax assessment investigations and the resulting equalization early this summer.

The Farm Bureau tax work in Kalamazoo and Monroe counties appears to have been equally successful, but exact figures cannot be given at this time because appeals have been made to the State Tax Commission.

The Farm Bureau investigations were probably the most accurate and extensive studies of tax assessment conditions ever made by anyone except possibly the State Tax Commission itself.

Acting in accordance with a plan worked out by the Michigan State Farm Bureau, and with the assistance of the state organization, local Farm Bureau workers in five counties obtained from official records on file in the office of the Register of Deeds and County Treasurer, impartial and authentic figures regarding the average rate of assessment of various classes of property within each of the counties studied. The results secured show that without exception farm lands and buildings were assessed higher than village property and on a still higher level when compared with city property in the same counties.

Summing up the hundreds of real estate transactions taken at random and absolutely impartially from official records. with valuations totalling several million dollars, the results show that the average relation of assessment to the actual sale price for the various classes of property in all the counties studied, was as follows:

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Cities		manning to be
Villages		
Farms		S. Lipper

Armed with the convincing assessments this year, the percentfacts regarding each individual age was reduced to 18.9%. This county, Farm Bureau representa-tricts of Ingham County of \$19,851. tives went before the equalization Then when the Farm Bureau's tax

statement regarding the attitude of Congressman.....on important agricultural legislation but we trust that our attitude in this matter will

not be misunderstood and that our

letter may not leave the impression

(Continued on page three)

Reaches Highest Point

in 47 Months

by the exchange value of their prod-

gradually working toward a pre-war

equality, according to the Sept. 1

agricultural review issued by the U.

together with a fall in prices of non-

Corn a Ticklish Spot

S. Dep't of Agriculture.

agricultural products

Washington, Sept. 1-The finan-

terials, and house furnishings is year.

Farmer's Financial Position

"We are glad to give you a brief British Are Interested in American Tobacco tourists chip in with the citizens and

not only keep the roads in repair but Representatives of the 7,000,000 build more good roads. A long sufconsumers in British co-operative fering farm real estate does not carsocieties are coming over soon to in- ry the burden. California collected thirty to forty per cent moisture. In that we are urging you to support vestigate the business methods of \$5,500,000 in gasoline taxes the first this condition it is easily damaged any one candidate, which we do not the American Tobacco Growers Co- year.

Some 37 states are now agreed do. We are glad, however, to advise operative Marketing Exchanges with our members as to the official acts the idea of purchasing their supplies of tobacco direct. building and maintaining the good

roads we must have. They all have gas taxes. Michigan almost got one gas taxes. Michigan almost got one last session of the legislature and DANES CONTROL Shows Steady Improvement surely will this next session unless pponents of a gasoline tax succeed n defeating state senator and legisator friends of the measure this November. That's the thing to

Exchange Value of His Goods prices and inasmuch as approximate-ly 85 per cent of the corn crop is watch. Note what the candidates Hog Prices Too Low, Co-ops fed to livestock, mainly to hogs, high pledge on the gas tax question. cost of hog production will result. Stand by the men who were right on The swine industry is said to be that issue.

well along in its periodic liquida. tion with prices beginning to rise cial position of farmers as measured and any further liquidation of breed-**WORLD HAS INCREASED**

ucts for other commodities including is expected to send hog prices to ing stock because of expensive corn clothing, fuel, metals, building ma- higher points during the coming

South Looks Prosperous The combined exchange value of the department says. Potatoes and

non-agricultural commodities on good crops and apparently fairly August 1 had reached the highest good prices. There is pleanty of hay, point in 47 months, and is the re- and oats are turning out a splendid sult of the recent rise in grain prices, yield practically everywhere.

Land is now being fitted for sowing of fall wheat with some senti-

Interest in agricultural commodi- acreage than last year. The departties is now beginning to center on ment points out in this connection this work. The Schoolcraft County population be reduced by a third. corn and hogs. Despite increased that the advance which has occurcorn acreage this year weather conditions have cut the prospective crop result of an unusual combination of third test.

considerably under 1923 production | weather, conditions having been ex-Should there be an early frost a ceedingly favorable to the United A short corn crop means high corn wheat-producing countries.

the root systems of such plants may have been weakened by fungous diseases, which may be carried in the

seed

If field is to be harvested for silage, or is immature, due to early frost, vigorous plants carrying heavnancing seems to work pretty well lest and most mature ears should be be husked and cured for seed.

Further selection for uniformity through the winter or when making the germination test. By proper field selection, any farmer in Michigan has his corn variety.

Curing And Storing Seed Corn Good seed corn can only be securtourists annually than does Michied by thoroughly drying carefully gan. By means of a gasoline tax the selected ears before they are exposed to freezing weather. In late September and during October, corn as it comes from the field contains from by molding and freezing. In order

to retain its vitality it must be rap. that a gasoline tax is a just means idly dried so as to pass through the of meeting the terrific expense of winter with a moisture content of twelve to fifteen per cent. (Continued on page four)

Word comes from Washington supervisors in each of these counthat there is not likely to be any change in the sugar tariff until af- ties, presented their findings and crease for Lansing, increased East

commission is divided 50-50 on the noted above, the final result is President. It is said the President still hanging in the balance in further 6% cut. in Indiana. At the close of the first cut and shocked at edge of field. is now seeking information else- Kalamazoo and Monroe counties, After standing for several days or where. The American Farm Bureau but the equalizations granted to until ears are firm, the ears should Federation, through resolution of the executive committee and otherwise, the three other counties, while not If the Farm Bureau figures had not has not been remiss in telling the all that the facts in the case would been presented and no resulting of type and composition can be made President that the sugar beet and have demanded, still will mean a cane growers wish the full amount of protection, 2.2 cents per pound, saving of nearly \$25,000 to rural stated above, paid 18.9% of the carried in the present tariff act and tax payers each year. This will state, county and county road tax. it in his power to markedly improve that any reduction will work hard- be divided up as follows: ship to them in a lower price per ton

> for sugar beets and sugar cane. The Michigan State Farm Bureau has protested to both President Coolidge and the Federal Tariff Commission against any reduction in the tariff on sugar, acting in the inter-

the August 29 edition of the News, ham county a combination of both Help For Washtenaw According to the law, the President methods was employed. While this can now order readjustments in the decrease in the assessed and equal- Bureau assessment investigations, tariff schedules, upon recommenda- ized valuations of farm property and the Washtenaw County board of sution of the Trade Commission, a fea- the increase in city valuations will pervisors at their June equalization ture of the present tariff law which not affect the local and township tax- meeting increased the valuation of enables him to correct unfair condi- es paid by the farmers in the various Ann Arbor real estate 5% and Ypsitions that may develop after enact- townships, it will materially in- lanti real estate 10%. Without this ment of the tariff. This is a good fluence the proportion of the state equalization Washtenaw County feature in the law. However, in- and county taxes to be paid by the farmers and village home owners terests with foreign sugar to bring rural and urban districts of these would have paid 44.5% of the state, into the United States are attempting counties. to use it to lower the sugar tariff to In 1923, the rural districts of Cal- tenaw County which last year total-

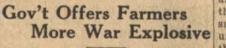
Calhoun\$11,933

Ingham 5,178

Washtenaw 7,702

How Relief Was Granted

their own advantage.



tion of 20 per cent is likely to occur the government supply was exhaust- conclusive findings a further decrease Bureau office. in Danish hog production during the ed will be pleased to learn that the in rural assessments of about 10%

next year, according to the opinion war dep't is releasing one hundred was ordered by the county board of accuracy of the figures and methods of English authorities closely in millions of pounds of pyrotol, a supervisors, despite strong opposition of computation have been approved able increase in the 1924 sugar beet touch with the hog industry in Eu- combination of smokeless powder, from the city districts. The result of both by authorities within the several acreage over that of 1923 is shown rope. Several months ago Danish sodium nitrate and nitro-glycerine these influences was that this year counties and by Dr. John C. Watson, Cotton looks like the biggest crop by estimates gathered by the U. S. farmers, through their co-operative sensitizer, on the same plan that the farmers of Calhoun county will Director of Taxation and Statistics with the biggest income in five years, Dep't of Agriculture for 11 coun- Ass'ns, experimental stations and the Sodatol was distributed. There is no pay but 32% of the state and county of the Illinois Agricultural Associatries,, including Germany, Russia, press, were advised to reduce their charge for the explosive, but the tax. Figuring on the amount of state tion, who is probably the most noted sixteen leading farm products for fruit are reported on the way to Belgium, Hungary, Jugo-Slavia, number of feeding pigs because of user must pay the shipping costs. It and county tax paid last year, this authority in regard to assessment and Czecho-Slovakia, and Italy. A good unfavorable prices. Danish authori-is as easy to use as Sodatol was, difference will mean a saving to Cal-equalization in the United States. It crop is expected in most countries. ties claimed that it would be more Menominee county used 136,500 lbs houn county farmers of \$11,933.

In Ingham County

voluntary adjustment which the Ing-

committee and the entire board of findings were presented the commit tee on equalization and the board of supervisors approved the 10% inter election-if then. The tariff pleaded for an equalization. As Lansing assessments an additional 10%, approved the original 10% cut in rural assessments and ordered a

The Farm Bureau takes no credit for the changes in the assessments but only for the final equalization equalization had been made the rural districts of Ingham would have, as Since the equalization they will pay but 18.3% which will mean a saving to the townships outside of Lansing. East Lansing and Mason of \$5,178 if the state and county tax in Ingham is the same this year as last. It will In Calhoun county the board of be noted that the total saving to

equalization decreased the rural Ingham County farmers as compared ests of Michigan's sugar beet grow- assessments; in Washtenaw county with last year's state and county ers. The protest was published in city assessments were raised; in Ing- taxes will amount to over \$25,000.

Largely as a result of the Farm

county and county road tax of Wash. houn county paid 33.8% of the state ed \$641,863.35. Because of the and county taxes which amounted equalization the rural tax payers of that year to \$662,968.22. The rural Washtenaw County will now pay but supervisors realized that this was an 43.3% of these general taxes. This More War Explosive unfair proportion of the tax load, so will mean a saving to them of \$7,702.

they went out and cut their assess-Detailed calculations supporting Farmers who failed to get Sodatol ments materially this year. Then all of these percentages and total for land clearing purposes before when the Farm Bureau presented its savings are on file in the State Farm

> The method of calculation and the will be remembered that Dr. Watson

had charge of the investigations put Even more drastic action was tak- on by the Illinois Agricultural Asen in Ingham County. The rural sociation which saved the farm tax assessing officers brought in cuts of payers in 56 counties of Illinois approximately 10% while the super- \$2,000,000 in taxes last year. This "Fertilizers, What They Are and visors from Lansing and East Lan- work has been carried on successful-

> Savings is Annual In various letters to the State (Continued from page two)

of pigs at a price leaving a small unfilled orders. See your county

New Fertilizer Bullt.

seems likely that the trend of pro- by the M. A. C. Soil Dep't and writ- rural districts of Ingham paid 21.2% method of figuring the savings to

Some people are in such a hurry for more than a few months, as a Millar. To get it, write the Bulletin tax which last year amounted to serious shortage of corn will result. States and unfavorable in other that they never have time to stop to result of curtailed breeding when Room, Mich. Agr'l Col., East Lan- \$863,112.72, but because of this prices were low. sing, Mich. think .- Illinois State Journal.

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Advise Drastic Cut and Farmers Act Washington, Sept. 8 .- A reduc-

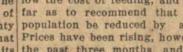
THEIR PRODUCTION

SUGAR BEET ACREAGE Washington, Sept. 1.-A consider-

SCHOOLCRAFT TEST WORK

2,500 head of cattle have undergone market with pigs produced at or be. ment reported in favor of a larger the T. B. test in this county. The low the cost of feeding, and went so

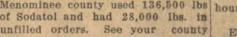
Farm Bureau is assisting in that Prices have been rising, however, for How to Use Them," is the title of sing increased their tax rolls about ly in 16 Illinois counties this season. red in prices of wheat has been the county. Gogebic county is having its the past three months, and it now Special Bulletin No. 133 just issued 10%. During the previous year the Dr. Watson has fully approved the



Manistique, Sept. 6 .- More than margin of profit than to glut the agent about this explosive. Upper Peninsula is taking hold of far as to recommend that the pig

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profitable to sell a smaller number of Sodatol and had 28,000 lbs. in



duction will not continue downward ten by Prof. M. M. McCool and C. E. of the state, county and county road Michigan farmers given above.

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movement for the permanent and substantial improvement of the farmers' economic condition.

Looking at this great problem of farmers' organizations from this broad angle, Dr. T. C. Atkeson, Washington representative of the National Grange, near the beginning of a recent article discussing the work of the Grange and other farmers' organizations, writes:

"The Grange is a fraternity and not a business organization. Builded and building for better men and women on the farmand better children and better conditions for all that surrounds childhood-the Grange believes that this will solve an important part of the economic problems of agriculture."

Toward the close of this article, after telling of the nature of the work of the Grange and the splendid way in which this grand old organization is meeting some of the perplexing problems of rural life, Dr. Atkeson pens this remarkably significant paragraph: 「日本の

"With all this in the background, however, I am increasingly conscious of the difficulties of upholding agricultural life, and agricultural pursuits, and the life of the farm people, on a ground of equality with those in other environments. There are many, and very grave problems to be met and solved if agriculture is to remain free and equal. There are more, and graver problems to be met by the rest of our nation, if agriculture does not remain free and equal. For this, and for other reasons, the Grange welcomes help in meeting the task, points out the breadth of opportunity for other organizations to come in, opens its store of history and experience to guide others as far as may be, away from pitfalls, and into safe pathways."

Self interest, home love, community spirit and practical patriotism join in their appeal to us to use our best efforts to forward the cause of the Farm Bureau and other sound and progressive rural organizations.

FOR HIM WHO FOLLOWS

An old man, going a lone highway Came at evening, cold and gray, To a chasm vast, and deep, and wide, The old man crossed in the twilight dim; The sullen stream had no fear for him; But he turned, when safe on the other side, And built a bridge to span the tide.

"Old man," said a fellow pilgrim near, "You are wasting your strength with building here; You never again will pass this way; You've crossed the chasm deep and wide, Why build you this bridge at evening tide?"

The builder lifted his old gray head,

- "Good friend, in the path I have come," he said,
- "There followeth after me today
- A youth whose feet must pass this way, This chasm, that has been as naught to me,
- To that fair-haired youth may a pitfall be;
- He, too, must cross in the twilight dim,
- Good friend, I am building this bridge for him."

Author Unknown.

Some such thought as that so beautifully expressed by the above poem probably was in the mind of a certain venerable gentleman who recently joined the Farm Bureau for another three year period.

He was an old man, far advanced in years. He had fought an uphill fight against hard and adverse farming conditions and had achieved some measure of success. Yet he realized that the time when a farmer could stand alone and do much to protect his interests is past and that today farmers must be organized if they are to be on an equal footing with other classes.

Washington, Sept. 1-The nations similar campaigns to those which, as rate to the interior of the U. S. Arexplained above, resulted so success- gentine usually exports about 190 who in 1923 produced 47 per cent of fully. From the findings secured so million bushels of corn, half of the world's rye crop show a 15 per far it would appear that every county which has been exported to date. | cent decrease this year.

which has a reasonably large city should make a study to find out whether or not the various classes of property are at present being fairly assessed. Dr. Watson is of the opinion that studies of this character might well be carried out even in the so-called rural counties. In reply to an inquiry from the Michigan State Farm Bureau, Dr. Watson writes: "In reply to your question about

counties in which there are no cities of over 10,000 population, I would say that our experience in Illinois indicates that wide inequalities in assessments occur between city and country where there are cities of much less than 10,000 population. Any growing city of even 2,500 ordinarily has relatively low assessments due to the increase in actual value of its property.

"In Illinois we have considered it worth while to make investigations in any county regardless of the size of the cities. In cases where there was no city of even 1,500 people we found that valuations of all property in the county were out of line with valuations of property in general in the state.'

While it is true that the savings in taxes resulting to farmers in the counties where these investigations have been carried on, will come both to members and non-members, it should not be overlooked that it was the Farm Bureau members' dues which made this work possible. This was a case where we could not help the non-members from riding alongand getting the benefits even though they were not putting their shoulders to the wheel with their fellow farmers who were members in the big effort to secure justice and a square deal for Michigan farmers.

TELLS HOW TO GET MOST OUT OF HAY

Ohio Shipper Gives Producers Pointers on Avoiding

Losses

(EDITOR'S NOTE-This article is of particular interest to elevator ass'ns and armers who load hay direct.)

"While our hay crop is worth more than a billion dollars annually, -it is harvested, baled and loaded in the most haphazard manner of any crop that leaves the farm," said Charles R. Aldrich of Spencer, Ohio, leading hay shipper of that state, in an address before the recent annual meeting of the Michigan Elevator Exchange. Mr. Aldrich made some points that are worth while repeat-

ing. "To start with," he said, "meadows should be raked and cleaned of stubble, stalks and weeds. Michigan and Ohio hay is preferred if it is in good condition. After hay has been properly cured and mowed away, then comes the problem of

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THE STATE FARM BUREAU'S PROGRAM

- Relief for sorely burdened farm property by TAXATIONenaction 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.
 - (d) Equalization of assessment of farm and city property in accordance with sales values of
- 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-Passage of the Capper-French Truth-in-Fabric bill, completion and operation of the U. S. Muscle Shoals Nitrates plant and manufacture of fertilizer; opposition to any form of sales tax or of consumption tax, re-tention of federal income tax.

GRANGE LEADER SHOWS NEED OF UNITED EFFORTS

There are those who advocate farmers' organizations purely as a means of helping the individual farmers who are members of these organizations. That is all well and good and a perfectly obvious argument for it is a fact which cannot be disputed that farm organizations have in actual experience proved of great immediate financial benefit to those who support and patronize them consistently.

But there are other viewpoints of even greater and more farreaching importance than merely the personal financial gain which comes to the individual member. There is the uplift which comes to the whole agricultural industry through effective organization. There are the resulting factors of happier homes and more contented communities.

But most important to us as citizens is the ultimate effect of the beneficial results of farmers' organizations and co-operative marketing as they influence civic, social and political life.

We farmers are not merely egotistical, but are in line with the facts of history, when we point out not only that the farm home has produced most of our national leaders in every walk of life, but that a contented, prosperous and intelligent rural society such as will be maintained unless agriculture is allowed to remain long relatively unprofitable, is the best balance wheel and most effective safeguard of the permanency and stability of this republic. This Nation's home-owning farmers are its best insurance. This is one of the reasons why men of vision from all classes of society are desiring earnestly the success of every

This grey-haired farmer signed up as a Farm Bureau member not so much for what it could do for him, as because of what it would mean to the younger generation. Yet there are young and middle aged tillers of the soil who will not even sign for their own benefit, to say nothing of the other fellow. They are very willing to enjoy the direct and indirect benefits of the Farm Bureau, but think that somebody else should pay the bills. To them we would say, "For yourself, for your wife, for your children, for your neighbor JOIN THE FARM BUREAU.'

F. B. Tax Investigation Saves Farmers \$25,000 equalizing bodies. Evidence such as the baler containing a lot of seed, we collect in this state and such as Don't bale it. Many cars have been (Continued from page 1)

Farm Bureau, he writes as follows: "Having determined the saving, the courts.

you are justified in stressing the To Pay Just Share Only "In about seven counties of this glance. fact, for it is a fact that the saving will be made not for one year but for state this year, a considerable numevery year until further or other ber of farmers, all Farm Bureau never pasteboard, tin or split tags.

it may have its effect. * * * * * against the valuations of their lands 5's. This last makes trouble. If a "We find in this state, however, with their County Boards of Review, bale comes to the car with a wire that a campaign on taxation does fre- We do not think that these protests broken or otherwise unmerchantquently have an indirect effect in will be effective in securing action able, don't ship it. Bales of 120 lbs. lowering taxes. Taxing bodies by the County Boards of Review, but and less in medium bales give the actually levy less than they had pre- in every case it will preserve the best satisfaction.

viously done where there is a good legal right of those who file the pro- "Inspect all cars before loading; deal of agitation on the question of test to take some action hereafter see that they are clean and the roofs taxation. They find that they can to force equalization. I shall be good. Load cars uniformly. If the get along with less money, which greatly surprised if the farmers who grade is in doubt, don't boost it a they probably would not have found have filed formal protests do not re- grade and take a chance on it getout if nothing had been done about fuse to pay more than the right pro- ting by. Hay is watched closely, I taxation.

"I have read with great interest the seven counties. For example, in thy hay-200 bales-and 50 cars of the account of your activities in the one of the counties we find that farm No. 1 stuff and load them in such Michigan Farm Bureau News. In lands and city lots are so unequally a way that at least 40 of the cars Ingham County you have had what I assessed that city lots are on a level will be refused if placed on No. 1 should call 100% results. In Cal- 30% lower than the valuations of contracts.

houn County you have had the same farm lands. In this county in all experience we have had in a number probability those who filed formal iliarize themselves with National of counties in this state-a fight by complaints will pay 70% of their Hay Ass'n Grade and try to sell on city property owners to maintain an taxes this coming winter and will these grades. Too many buyers advantage which they now enjoy. resist any attempt to collect the re- write their agents, Don't ship us any

Situation In Illinois "You will find it necessary in the bring the matter into court. "You will find it necessary in a congratulate you on the pros-case of a county like Calhoun to take ress you are making in your state "I congratulate you on the prog-

case of a county like Calhoun to take up the matter with the State Tax Commission, if your State Tax Com-mission has any powers by which they could compel a real equalization. In case your tax commission has no such powers, or having them refuses to use them, as our Tax Commission does, you may find that you could adopt the same plan which we are now using in one county in this state. Land owners are refusing to pay tax-es on a level of valuations higher ful in one county, it will force equalstate if certain legal preliminaries have been observed, the courts will

putting it on the market right.

"Keep the stained, off-color hay at home. One bale of that kind meeting the purchaser's eye when he opens the car is about enough to cause him to reject a whole carload of otherwise No. 1 hay.

"Don't load hay so that the ends of the bales are close to the doors. Water may run down the inside of the doors, spoil the ends of the bales and this makes trouble for all concerned, Leave a space of several inches between the ends of the bales and the doors.

"Leave the bottom of a mow that is off-color or smells musty. Often ments which were known to the there are three or four bales around equalizing bodies. Evidence such as the baler containing a lot of seed. you have been collecting in Michi- turned down because the first thing gan, is competent evidence before the buyer saw was a few seedy bales. The rest of the car might be No. 1 and it might be what he saw first

"Use plain wooden tags onlychanges shall be made. Even then members, have filed formal protests Mark hay actual weight, not O's and

portion of their taxes in a number of can take one car of poor No. 3 timo-

"Above all, shippers should fammaining 30%. This, of course, will more hay loaded by ' doesn't know how to load hay! This speaks for itself."

as on a level of valuations higher gan, where the assessment books are and the lower price in Argentinees on a level of valuations nigher than the level used in the cities. This is a drastic step, but if it is success-they be corrected and that property one time— and a Canadian ban on they be corrected and that property one time and the bringing some of be listed primarily by description in- Argentine corn is bringing some of ization throughout the state. In this stead of in the name of the owner," the South American surplus here. On Regarding Smaller Cities present prices, the Argentine corn Several other County Farm Bu. is confined to the seaboard as the not tolerate inequalities in assess- reaus in Michigan are considering spread will not stand the freight

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SEPTEMBER 12, 1924

Michigan Fruit Growers Inc. Dep't -:- Of Interest to All Fruit Men -:-

WEATHER BLOWS ILL AND GOOD ON **GRAPE GROWERS**

Coolness Has Delayed Ripening and Has Farmers Worried

CALIFORNIA CROP IS CUT

Westerners Seem to Expect Higher Prices Balance of Season

a 5,000 car crop of grapes hang- and in fact is the only State having lows: ing on the vines and cool weather grape grades compulsory. holding up ripening, Michigan grape growers are on the "anxious seat" Last season the first car of Champions was shipped on August 24th, with the first Concords out on Sept.

13th. With first Champions due to being lessened by the time Concords packing houses in the state. move. In fact it looks as if the ma-

racing with Jack Frost.

get their grapes off the vines be- marketing. fore a freeze gets them. With plenty of help available it is likely that the speed of the grape harvest will

markets but growers surely cannot packers. be censored for wanting to save a crop that they have worked all the year producing.

Maine Potato Crop Marketed in 60 Pools make it is difficult to say, but none

FEW YEARS MAY Benton Harbor Ready for Grape Inspection

Benton Harbor, Sept. 1-A branch of the Michigan Department of Agriculture has been opened here for the purpose of improving its fruit inspection service. An agreement enered into with the Federal Bureau Heavy Production May Force of Agricultural Economics provides

Growers to Provide Own or voluntary shipping-point inspec tion on grapes. This federal service, however, will not take the place of the State inspection which is

compulsory by law. The federal serv-Benton Harbor, Sept. 10 .- The ice is merely in addition to the State U. S. Dep't of Agriculture is out with service so that shippers desiring to figures showing total car lot shiptake advantage of the federal certif- ments of apples from Michigan during the last four years. These icate can do so. According to William P. Hartman, figures indicate that when Nature Director of the State Bureau of favors us we are well up towards

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Foods and standards, Michigan is the top in the list of states raising Benton Harbor, Sept. 10 .- With the first State to adopt grape grades apples and- The figures are as fol-

Season SHELBY CO-OP ADDS **TO PACKING HOUSE**

1923 Shelby, Sept. 10-Shelby Co-oper-The jump of over 3,000 cars shown be loaded out on the 15th or 16th the ative Marketing Ass'n has completed in last season's shipment can probseason is fully three weeks late with a hollow tile addition to its packing ably be accounted for by the large \$2,000,000 in their tax bill. Similar have a long course of investigation no great prospect of this difference house and now has one of the finest acreage of new plantings that are coming into bearing, and every full

The addition is of same construc- crop year in the next fifteen years jor part of the 5,000 car crop would tion as the main building having in will very likely set a new record for have to be moved in October and addition to the main floor, which is shipments. Low prices during the that every grape grower would be used for packing operations, a large last two seasons have checked plantfrost proof basement and upper floor ings and the Michigan apple indus.

1920

1921

1922

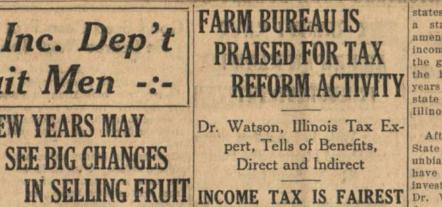
Marketing prospects are good if for package store room. The com- try may go through a decade before seasonable weather can be had for pletion of this addition was celebra- another boom strikes the business the balance of month and during ted by the management giving an ice and we see heavy plantings such as October. Recent advices from Cali- cream social that was attended by the last ten years have seen. fornia indicate that the original practically the entire membership The next few years will probably estimate of 50,000 cars of grapes together with their families. The see some marked changes in marfrom that state this season would be members congratulated Manager keting methods and the industry cut to 40,000 cars. Big California Hawley for his good work in getting may be forced to build cold storage operators are now selling only "spot" this addition built in time for the plants to carry a good part of the shipments and refusing to book fu- fruit packing season and on keeping crop through the winter months and tures which means that they are look- the cost substantially below the orig- ship it out as the trade demands. ing for higher prices to prevail dur- inal estimates. J. A. Barron of the In the past Michigan apple growing balance of the movement. Most Michigan Fruit Growers addressed ers have depended on the speculaof the California crop will be the meeting and urged the growers tive apple dealer in the big markets out of the way by the time the to insure the future success of the to buy the crop at harvest time Michigan Concords start. Against association by signing crop contracts but a good many of these dealers this favorable situation will be the and giving their company a real are declining to continue this practice committee, at a recent meeting of feeling on part of the growers that chance to prove its worth by turning and are buying their apples from that body, reported the following inthey must hurry their picking and over all their fruit for packing and week to week as their business war- cident which occurred in Monroe

> ENFORCE APPLE GRADES The Michigan State Apple grading been a marked increase in storage

only be checked by the inability of law is being rigidly enforced by in- capacity at northwestern shipping the transportation lines to furnish spectors of the State Bureau of points in the last few years. Such cars as fast as the growers demand Foods and Standards. It is report- storages relieve the railroads of conthem. Of course, such a rush of ed that all loads of improperly pack- gestion during the harvesting months picking will not be good for the ed fruit must be re-graded by the and make for a more orderly distribution of the crop. There is also

the advantage of the apples keeping Some Shortcakes! to cold storage within a few hours Benton Harbor shipped 55,000 Michigan apple growers may not ases of strawberries in a single day.

Just how many shortcakes this would be a heavy one, but with a steady in- wood. crease in output in sight the neces-



MICHIGAN FARM BUREAU NEWS

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Illinois Farmers Seek Chance To Vote on Income Tax in 1926

Commendation from a high au- among farmers. An intelligent apthority for the Farm Bureau's efforts preciation of the injustice of the to secure tax relief for over-burden- property tax, and of the difficulty, if ed real estate and a more fair dis- not impossibility, of making it fair, tribution of the tax load, was con- will prepare the farmers to get betained in a letter recently received at hind the only fair kind of tax-the State Farm Bureau headquarters tax that is based, not on the sales from Dr. John C. Watson, Director values of property, but on net inof the Department of Taxation and come, whether from tangible or in-

Association. Dr. Watson was for- services-fees, salaries and wages. Total Cars merly a professor at Yale University Shipped 6,212

year saved farmers of that state vigorously in several more Illinois besides securing the submission of counties this year.

Despite this splendid record of tioned, and bringing it before the achievement in Illinois, Dr. Watson people for a vote in November, 1926. takes off his hat to the organ- It will take constant publicity and ized farmers of Michigan and com- education of voters to secure its mends them for their progressive adoption.'

statesmanship in actively initiating income tax is much more just than Dep't of Agriculture. the general property tax and voices the hope that within a very few years the income tax basis of raising tate revenue may be adopted in

Illinois.

The Only Fair Tax After complimenting the Michigan tate Farm Bureau for the careful, unbiased and accurate methods which have characterized its assessment investigations in Michigan counties. Dr. Watson concludes, "You have done good work in Michigan and will robably find plenty more to do. The aving in taxes on farm property is ery much worth while, but, in my opinion, the greatest value in the work you are doing will lie in the interest it will arouse in taxation

statistics of the Illinois Agricultural tangible property, or from personal

"Our taxation work in Illinois, the and is acknowledged to be one of many evidences we have of the unthe leading authorities on taxation in fairness of the property tax, and the America today. He has had charge difficulty of getting an honest adof the Farm Bureau tax assessment ministration of our present laws, investigations in Illinois, and has are rapidly getting our farmers secured equalizations which last ready to pass upon an income tax amendment to our constitution. We investigations have been pushed and of educating our people in view.

such an amendment as I have men-

Three Farm Bureau Services Bring \$1,800 to This Member

Fake Stock, Slacker Hens and the Farm Bureau has saved me that

Boarder Cows No Longer Take Their Toll

C. Henry, member of the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation executive rants and are getting their supplies County membership campaign. The from sections where apples are be- facts are actual. The individual ing stored for such trade. There has names have been withheld upon request. Has this happened in your county?

T. Christy of Monroe County had had a hard day. He wasn't feeling particularly cheerful. He had been soliciting memberships for the county Farm Bureau and enthusiasm better when moved from the tree in- wasn't running at a very high pitch. As Mr. Christy drove along the winding road he saw a small farmwelcome this change as the burden stead perched upon the hillside. Out of financing cold storage plants will beside the house was a man splitting

Mr. Christy wavered a bit. He would do much

Monro

He stooped down, placed a chunk of wood on his block straightened up and continued:

The Second \$600

"Before the Farm Bureau came nto existence I had a bunch of hens. wasn't satisfied with what they were doing so I called up the Farm Bureau office and got the county agent to come out. Now I have al. most four times as many hens-I've got about 300-and I get about four times as many eggs per hen. There's another \$600.

"Then I used to have ten or twelve cows. I didn't think I was getting proper weight or proper test-and my cows weren't making me much I've changed the kind o money. cows I keep since I joined the Farm Bureau. I don't work any harde milking, and I don't spend any more for feed, and I've got at least \$600 more from my cows.

'There's at least \$1800 I can credit to the Farm Bureau. That's my membership for 180 years, You

Washington, Sept. 1-Total pro-Beginning in December and con a state income tax constitutional duction of wheat is estimated at 10 tinuing till May, Mexico ships us amendment. He declares that the per cent under 1923 by the U. S. enormous quantities of tomatoes, melons, peas and peppers.

THREE

Plant a Profitable Peach

Fruit growers ought to have a block of our new South Haven peach in every setting. It is the hardiest of good commercial sorts. This year when the cold wave of January killed the buds on most of the common varieties our new

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shows splendid crops. In orchards side by side in Van Buren County, Michigan, the Elbertas and others of like hardiness have only one-third of a crop, while the South Havens in same orchard had to be thinned!!!!

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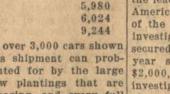
See your co-op about it at once. Time is limited for sowing alfalfa. We can give immediate shipment on this choice seed.

Not much genuine, northern grown alfalfa seed is available. Weather conditions have been splendid for starting new seedings and the demand has been very heavy. Those who want high grade alfalfa for this season had better get it now. The new crop of seed will not be available until late fall. We also offer:

FARM BUREAU BRAND UTAH COMMON alfalfa No. 1B-high purity and germination test. Trace of sweet clover and a little off color lowers the grade from No. 1 to 1B. Will give satisfaction.

FARM BUREAU BRAND ONTARIO VARIEGATED-Ranks next to Grimm. Is No. 1 seed. Several carloads sold this summer are already showing excellent stands. Not much left.

If you want Farm Bureau alfalfa seed for this season, see your co-op manager about it at once, or write



Cold Storage

The Maine Potato Gro change marketed its 1923 crop in 60 pools with as many net prices to the

WHO?

too many .- Detroit News.

Will the secretary of the South growers. There were seven grades Green Community Club please get in of seed potatoes, each in a separate touch with the Michigan Farm Bu reau News at Lansing? **Bureau News Editors**

pool, and so on.

Why Grow Alfalfa?

Protein is our limiting factor in feeding dairy and beef cattle. Study this table showing per cent protein, pounds protein per ton, and pounds per acre for the various roughages.

ROUGHAGE	Per Cent Protein	Lbs. Protein Per Ton	Tons Per Acre	Lbs. Protein Per Acre
ALFALFA		220	3	660
CLOVER	8%	1.60	2	320
MIXED HAY	4%	8.0	2	160
TIMOTHY		60	1.5	90, m
CORN STOVER		40	2	80

The Five Essentials in Alfalfa Culture Are: (1) Well drained soil, (2) sweet soil, (3) firm seed bed, (4) northern grown seed, (5) inoculated soil or seed. The County Agent is always ready to test your soil. Bring or send a few samples from various parts of the field to your County Farm Bureau office.

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sity of making some improvement in | hardly thought it marketing methods will probably good to climb that hillside, but also force the issue.

Tells How He Voted

SHIP 1,000 TONS

thought he had better not offend anyone by passing by. So up he climbed. He exchanged greetings with the

man who was splitting wood-but **Give Facts to Voters** the wood cutting continued,

(Continued from page one) No Time to Talk Farm Bureau of men who have already served them "I'm representing the in the past in a legislative capacity. County Farm Bureau," Mr. Christy remarked. "I wonder if you could We are saying nothing about Conspare a few moments to talk Farm gressman's opponent because the man has no of- Bureau."

"I don't believe it would be worth ficial record in regard to the measures which would come before him while," and the wood splitting continued. were he elected to Congress.'

"Can't I interest you in any part of the Farm Bureau?" this from Mr.

Congressman's at- Christy. titude toward important legislation "Have you got a blank contract in as reflected in his vote recorded in your pocket?" Even with this rethe Congressional Record is as fol- mark the wood-splitter didn't stop lows: work.

"He voted 'Yes' on the following: Mr. Christy got out a contract and "Regulation of Grain Trade; In- handed it over. The axe action stopcreasing Working Capital for the ped, and turning to a young girl Farm Loan Board; Revival of the nearby, the man said: "Sis, run in War Finance Corporation; Agricul- and get my check book." tural Features of the General Tax The check book was soon forth-Measure; Farm to Market Roads; coming, and Mr. Christy found him-Co-operative Marketing Bill; Probi- self with a signed contract-and a hiting Filled Milk; Regulating Grain check. He looked at it. Then he Trade; Standard Containers for looked again. Yep, his eyes saw the Fruits and Vegetables; Farm Credits same thing twice-a check for \$30 Bill; Ford Tender for Muscle Shoals; But Mr. Christy wanted informa-McNary-Haugen Bill. tion this time. He turned back and "He voted against: asked the wood cutter if he knew "Distribution of Free Seeds by that while the contract was for three Congressmen. years, he was only required to pay

"All of these votes are regarded as \$10 at a time. favorable by the American Farm Bu-"I don't want the Farm Bureau reau Federation." to spend two cents or anybody's The above article is printed in the time collecting my \$10," was the tope that it may encourage a still rather unusual reply-unusual nore general use of the Farm Bu- least to Mr. Christy who, as we said eau's Legislative Dep't services, before, had had a hard day. which are free to all members for the "I wish you would tell me what's asking. This is one of the many ser- come over you," said Mr. Christy, vices made possible by your member- "I've met so many people today who ship dues. Use your Farm Bureau. are either sore or sour on the Farm

Bureau I'd like to know what it's all about.

The man dropped his axe: How the First \$600 Was Saved "Well, Christy, I see that I'm go-OF F. B. FERTILIZER ing to have to tell you this, because you'll keep after me until I do. I've

been a Farm Bureau member and 1 During the last few days the Farm read everything you send out, and Bureau Purchasing dep't has ship- know something about it. Not so ped more than 1,000 tons of Farm very long ago an agent came along Bureau fertilizer to members for the Ohio Securities Company. He through their local co-ops. Addition. had an attractive story. I had about al cars are leaving the factory \$600 scattered round in a few places. every day and the next three weeks His story convinced me and I told. will see a big volume of Farm him that if he would come back in Bureau fertilizer ordered out. We about 10 days I'd have that \$600 suggest that you see your local man- ready to invest.

nger at once if you have not already "In the meantime I wrote to the arranged for yours, Give the Bureau Farm Bureau office and I got their and your local ass'n an opportunity literature on the Ohio Securities to give you complete service. Company. I still have my \$600 and

can have the \$30, and I don't want you to spend any of my dues collecting part of it."

Washington, Sept. 1-The English apple crop is very short. The Canadian crop is 17% under 1923.





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MICHELEX PLANT NOW PICKING THE 1924 BEAN CROP

Co-op Plant at Port Huron At Service of Local Elevators

Port Huron, Sept. 8 .- The Michelex Elevator and Warehouse Company, co-operative bean picking and our local paper written by a man is to contend with. Think of the storage plant developed by the so encouraging to us farm women woman that must start her men Mrs. C. W. Sewell, of Indiana, in her racks should be placed in the attic or Michigan Elevator Exchange, has that I pass it on in hopes of bring- folks on the way to a job many talk before the recent Illinois State spare room in the house, tool room, opened its plant here and is picking ing comfort to some discouraged miles away, sometimes at an unearth- Farm Bureau picnic, praised the etc. A well ventilated room is necesand storing the 1924 crop of beans, heart.

The plant is under the management of Mr. J. H. Sweet, formerly manager of the Sandusky Grain Company at Sandusky. Last year this plant gave good service and the fact that farmers appeared with their own picking plant caused an improvement in the price paid for picking stock.

The Michelex plant is operated primarily in the interests of the Michigan Elevator Exchange and its locals. However, it will give picking, storage and sacking service to any concern at a reasonable serv-

locals are unable to accommodate the them and can see plenty ahead of us. shop shut down or that sickness four horses and some more or less vast quantities of beans that are It seems only reasonable that we will visit the home or an accident complicated piece of machinery. As seed corn in the field before the crop brought in. They can now turn should cut out all the unnecessary happen. them into the Michelex storage, have jobs possible while bringing the rest

elex brand, dried if necessary and fi- see to it that our heads save our everyone is against us and we rebel nally market them in the condition heels in all ways possible. that brings the best prices. In the past they have often been compelled

to dispose of the beans as picking farm is kept hustling if she performs stock. The above services are also all the duties that usually fall to her open to farmers whose volume of lot and I write this message at this the local paper,-I wonder if our the farm. The cropping season is, in in the crib is more or less seriously beans will make it worth while for time with the hope that I might sug- men realize how little it takes to the main, a rush season and he does injured by the development of molds them to use the plant.

The Michigan Elevator Exchange for her overtaxed body and mind. The warm months bring many vis- words, the little gifts, the love pats, tain of finance ever came from the is marketing all its choice handpicked beans under the Michelex Brand, itors to our homes, especially if one the thoughtful helps were thought boy who laid down his tools on the corn plant is easily altered by proper which is making a big name for the lives within driving distance from a necessary during the courting days, stroke of the hour and this fact alone selection methods. Yield, time of high quality product put out by the city and I fear that many, many how much more so are they needed explains many of the 87 per cent. Exchange. The beans and the la- times our farm women are imposed when the cares and worries of every upon from that quarter. belled sack are remembered.

In addition to picking and storing beans, the Michelex plant is giving farm home on a Sunday and see from continuous job, to be taken up next to her audience as she eulogized the pared with prevailing selection custom service in drying grain. It one to three or four autos parked in day when left the night before but farm wife and mother. "She it is methods will usually increase the can also sack grain for shippers the dooryard, we surmise that within rather it consists of a multitude of who is upholding the morale of the yield of ordinary corn varieties from whose trade asks it.

The Michelex plant has a storage standing over the stove preparing the her mind and must be pushed along the tired faith of the farmer. capacity for 100 cars of beans, the expected good meal, many times with some sort of system in order latest picking and processing equip. when she is using strength and vital. that there is no piling up before her, ment, good railroad service and good ity she can ill afford. She has per- all of which tends to keep her in a stand bridge or golf, but the world's bushel increase per acre the corn rates.

Aug. 28 at Port Huron the Mich- make the "home made" bread and sult of what she has done but what daintily manicured hands of women elex Company stockholders increased hickorynut cake they all love so well still stares at her at every turn. the board of directors to seven mem- besides dressing the chickens that bers. They are: representing Michi- are always expected.

gan Elevator Exchange stockholders Have you ever thought how ridicu make her feel equal to the task. sun-bonneted little lassies or blue -H. D. Horton of the Kinde Co-op lous it is for anyone to rave over Let us be more generous with our overalled lads on either side of her, Elev.; L. C. Kamlowske, Wash. Farm the "country homemade bread"? cheerful acts and a little more pe- is a figure of national importance. Bureau Local; F. H. Ochmke, Sebe- That is something that every one nurious with our gloom. waing Co-op Elevator; C. S. Benton, can have,-town, city or country Michigan Elevator Exchange; Alex folks-if they have the gumption to home moving along smoothly if we stormy winter night to help her sis-Lindsay, Decker Farm Bureau Local; make it. But how many times our succeed as we hope to and one of the ter in the hour of trial. She has Hazelwood, Isabella County farm women have started Monday main cogs of that home machine is tenderly dressed the new born babe Farm Bureau; Milton Burkholder, morning with the washing to do mother's help, so we must keep her or silently, reverently composed the (perhaps with poor facilities) hired as near well and happy as possible limbs of the dead. She has harness-Marlette Farmers Elevator. Officers of the company are: H. D. men to cook for and not a slice of under all circumstances.

Horton, president; L. C. Kamlowske, bread in sight and miles from a bakvice-pres.; F. H. Ochmke, sec'y; C. ery all because some one has so en-

Very Busy Days for Mother These Things and Her Regular it is a sacrifice unless there is some personal reason for doing so. Work Call for Sympathy We in turn can expect to be entertained sometime with a share of Farm Wife Is Presiding Spirit and Some Help the city pleasures thrown in.

School, Fall Clothes, Canning

Community Work

is to be made the most of while

it is yet to be had, and the can-

ning season is not over by a

long shot. All of these things,

must receive attention in addi-

tion to her regular household

duties. So when you see a

woman who looks as though she

is ready to drop in her tracks,

be liberal with your sympathy."

Some Strength Takers

A Glance City-Ward by Mrs. Edith M. Wagar But let's not think that all of the Chairman, Farm Bureau Home and hard work and long hours come to us and that our city friend has noth-

An item in the editorial column of ing to do or no unpleasant things ly hour in the morning and the lunches she must pack and then if "Busy days for mother. There those men are on day and night "shift" jobs, think of the re-arrangare the kids to be lined up for school and the fall clothing to be looked after; garden truck

especially if there is a growing fam- Who's Who were not the result of acforever having your hand in your Sewell. pocket book for every last bit of and environment moulded the char- exposed to extreme cold. food or material or move that is acters of these individuals." made! To be sure there is usually a reg-

ice charge. Many Elevator Exchange have passed through a long term of the constant horror of having the of a mile from all aid with three or

We country folks do have trying reaching battalions of corn he has study of the plant on which the ear

At the very best, the woman on a we have much to be thankful for. a corn belt farm. Be Penurious With Gloom

Coming back to the clipping from gest in some small way some relief hurt a woman and again how little not learn to listen for a whistle to or by freezing while in a moist conit takes to please her? If the kind begin or end his day's toil. No cap- dition.

haps spent hours the day before to nervous state not only as the re- problems cannot all be lifted by the grower who plants twenty acres of And it is at these times that the ier than a bridge card or a golf club. little courtesies from the home folks And this plain country woman, with

We must keep the machinery of across the ploughed field some

rude surgery of the farm or carried baby lambs and baby pigs into her Factors Governing Feed | Daby lamos and Daby pigs into ner clean, warm kitchen to save them

MICHIGAN FARM BUREAU NEWS

MRS. SEWELL SAYS

AMERICAN FARMER

IS REFINED CITIZEN

of Rural Home; She Has

Really Seen Life

Farm Develops Leaders

Hard Work on Farm

Praises Country Woman

who have never lifted anything heav-

She is the woman who has trudged

ed horses, milked cows, learned the

Good Seed Corn Will

(Continued from page one) Immediately after harvest, corn for seed should be placed where it will receive free ventilation in order to man who field selects his seed will dry rapidly. No two ears should be gain much more per acre. allowed to touch. Many excellent de-

vices for drying and curing seed corn are in common use. The ears may be strung on binder twine and hung from a rafter. Wire racks on which the ears are impaled may be made from woven wire fences, or may be

Emphasizing the fact that \$7 per purchased. Racks may be easily concent of those mentioned in Who's structed from two-by-fours and laths Who today were born in farm homes, on which the ears may be laid. These farm home and the agricultural in- sary. A cellar without furnace is as dustry as the basis of American pros- a rule a poor place to store seed corn. During the early period of "There is no denying the truth of drying all windows should be opened ing of her meals and the bed times, the statement that these leaders in so as to remove excess moisture.

Corn properly dried will not be ily in the home. And then think of cident, luck or magic," said Mrs. greatly damaged by freezing but it "Agricultural conditions is best to store where it will not be

Where large amounts of seed are

to be handled, special corn drying "The foot of the ladder of suc- houses are desirable, equipped with ular pay envelope coming in but cess is always crowded with those numerous windows or panels which more often than not it requires real who will always be followers. Rural will give free circulation of air, and figuring to make it cover all the life develops leadership in the char- a stove to furnish artificial heat to Yes, these are busy days and we every day needs and there must be acter of the boy sent half or quarter hasten drying and prevent freezing. Advantages of Field Selection

The great advantage of selecting he plows row after row of the far- is harvested lies in the fact that a

them picked to the high grade Mich- down to actual needs. We must times and sometimes we think time to think untrammeled by com- grew and of its environment can be panion or distracting influence and a made and the corn can be properly if we must do without and wear the future statesman or captain of fi- cured and stored. In selecting from shabby left overs but through it all nance is in the making out there on the stock or from the crib little is known of the parent plant or the

conditions under which it grew. "There are no eight hour days on Corn which has stood in the shock or

It has been demonstrated that the ripening, position and character of "Let us not forget the presiding ear and even feeding value can be day experience seem to press on all spirit of the farm home, the wife changed within wide limits. Field When we pass farm home after sides? A woman's work is not one and mother," Mrs. Sewell appealed selection and proper storing as comthat house there is some woman little tasks, which must be ever on farm family today and bolstering up seven to ten bushels per acre. Enough corn to plant twenty acres can be easily field selected in a day's time by one man. With a seven-"The farm woman does ont under-

bushels in his next season's crop or WE HAVE MADE MANY at present prices \$140 a day or more Be Scarce Next Spring for his labor in field selecting and storing - admittedly a profitable day's work.

During a season such as this, the

The Farm Bureau News of October 3 will carry another article by Professor Cox on the care of our 1924 crop of seed corn.

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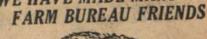
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S. Benton, gen. mgr. and acting joyed her cooking the day before. Dividing Up the Work sec'y.

Bugs With Can Opener

Now I enjoy my city friends, I love 'to entertain them once in a while but I have long since given up

Jaws Inspire Respect the practice of planning and prepar- News, in an advertisement, "Feed- from a profitable condition, that 40 ing a banquet that took hours to ing Cows Wisely Between Lacta- per cent of the farm land is tilled The European corn borer has jaws cook and serve and after they were tions," The State Farm Bureau Pur- by tenantry and that this condition is like a steel saw and can get out of gone drag myself to bed, glad that it chasing Dep't gave a special home driving the best young men and anything short of a tin box, Prof. was over. A simple meal shared with mixed ration for this period, advis- women from the farm to the city R. H. Petit warns farmers who are our friends is enjoyed. I have en- ing that as the cow came back into with the result of a serious deficit sending in suspected insects that re- couraged the picnic lunch of a simple production again this ration should in the establishment of the new semble the borer. Once out of a nature that can be taken to some be shifted over to Milkmaker.

package, he's ready to start trouble. grove or lake side where the mother It was not intended to create the and city leadership of tomorrow. A stout, tight, well-wrapped tin box and cook can get away from the idea that Milkmaker could not be should hold him. The best stunt is stove and dishpan and so let the re- fed between lactations. It can and "The farmer has been ridiculed to send the suspect in glass, in alco-sponsibility fall on all rather than many are doing so, but they lighten and cartooned as an uneducated, unhol as a preservative, packed in her alone. She is entitled to her day it considerably and they should. The shaven, grasping, stingy individual, enough absorbent cotton to meet the of rest as well as other members of home-mixed ration quoted - 400 who wants everything his own way, postal regulations. The above cau- the family or the helpless guest. tion in shipping might well apply to When we think of the hot pave- oats, 100 lbs. of wheat bran and 100 farmer. "On the contrary he is quite

most pests.



the city, we understand the reason 12% protein and with desirable lax- dressed business man, who works for the longing for the country with ative properties. Milkmaker is 24% long hard hours and pays his high its cool spots and when we think of protein, much more than the cows taxes and supports his church and the food offered to the city dwel- need at this time, and should be community enterprises to the best ler we know how the fresh vege- lightened considerably, - for ex- of his ability, who asks no exorbitant tables and eggs and spring chickens ample: one part Milkmaker, 3 parts unfair advantage of his government Have You

condition.

Huron's Record Good

expected to give up our plans entire- part bran. ly or contribute from our crop until The first home mixed ration quot-

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Between Lactations from perishing; she it is who has really seen life." The Indiana woman pointed to the

In the August 29 edition of the fact that agriculture today is far

homes which are to provide the rural

Have Ridiculed Farmer

lbs. of corn meal, 400 lbs. of ground said Mrs. Sewell as she defended the ments and closely built houses of lbs. of oil meal makes a ration about likely a refined, retiring, suitably

Market Conditions

As Reported by the Michigan Elevator Exchange

porters tells us that all indications list and much will be needed for

point to a further advance of at least home feeding. We do not expect to 10c per bushel in wheat within the see oats decline from the present

next forty days. The largest export cheap prices compared with the rest

three years is now under way and CORN-A weather market. Pres-

it is estimated that already 60,000,- ent prices don't bear out a lot of

000 bushels of United States wheat shortage reported in corn. Anything

have been sold for export. Canadian like a serious freeze at this time

half of what they raised last year, so BEANS-Expect to see the market

demand that we have had in the past of the grains.

crop is estimated a little better than would be a calamity.

WHEAT-One of the leading ex-| OATS-The cheapest grain on the

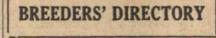
ed in the advertisement is about the has certain rights. He furnishes most economical feed that could be food and raw materials that are infed between lactations. Milkmak- dispensable. He has a right to the er's main purpose is to bring the cost of production plus a fair profit, cows to highest and most economical as any other manufacturer. He is production and keep them in good entitled to a comfortable home with

Bad Axe, Sept. 6-C. M. Wagner farm business, an education and the has finished a year's testing for the advantages they so richly deserve." Bad Axe-Huron Cow Testing Asso-

ciation and reports that 275 cows Exercise doesn't always increase averaged 278 pounds fat and 7,313 the size of a muscle. Look at the pounds milk for the association year. tongue .- Vancouver Morning Sun.

The Indiana woman pointed to the Harriss, Distributor, Allegan, Michigan 9-26-2 FOR SALE—CEDAR FENCE POSTS poles lath, vineyard stakes, Alber lath. vineyard dt. Hillman. Mich

LIVE STOCK



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That 8.3 per cent of the

total number of cars of live stock arriving on 13 main terminal markets between Janu ary and September, 1923, was handled by co-operative farm-ers commission houses-their own stockyards sales offices. Since that time the volume of business handled by these cooperatives has been growing constantly.

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United States wheat will be wanted hold steady and if a hard frost or Mich. Livestock Exch. at Detroit

at East Buffalo

ass'n. Write to

Period Right

A great many cows will freshen in September. In the last edition of the News we discussed good feeding between the lactation periods. This time we will take up good feeding at the beginning of the lactation period and the feeding of the calf.

The milk production of a cow is influenced greatly by her care and feeding during the first part of the lactation period.

FOR MAXIMUM PRODUCTION

The cow should gradually be brought to maximum production about a month after calving. The light, laxative ration at calving time should slowly be worked over to a heavier protein ration. Start with 4 to 6 lbs. of grain daily and gradually increase it. To increase the amount of protein, keep working in 24% protein Michigan Milkmaker in place of the other grain. This gives the milk producing organs time to adjust themselves to the heavy production of milk. Too heavy feeding at calving time is one of the leading causes of milk fever.

When the cow is at full production, for most economical results we recommend a grain ration of at least one-half Milkmaker and the remainder other grains. For this ration the roughage must be alfalfa or good clover hay with ensilage. If other roughage is used, increase the amount of Milkmaker. At maximum production the cow should receive one pound of grain to 4 lbs. of milk.

FEEDING THE CALF

The calf should get whole milk for at least two weeks. It may be pail fed after the first few days. After two weeks the calf may slowly be changed over to skimmilk. At least ten days should be allowed for the change, substituting a pound of skimmilk for a pound of whole milk daily. Do not increase the volume of milk fed during the change period. If scouring develops, do not increase the skimmilk until the scouring disappears. For the first two or three weeks the calf should be fed three times a day. Keep all utensils scrupulously clean. It pays.

At one month the average calf will take 12 to 15 lbs. of milk daily; at 2 months, 15 to 18 lbs.; at 3 months, 18 to 25 lbs. or more.

The calf will start to eat other foods at three to four weeks. To avoid scouring it is safer to start with good mixed hay roughage and feed it a couple of weeks, changing to alfalfa or clover hay. Second or third cutting alfalfa or second cutting clover hay are the best roughages. They furnish lime and vitamines; other kinds do not. Skimmilk lacks some very essential vitamines.

At the time the calf begins to eat hay, he will eat a little grain. A good ration is:

100 lbs. wheat bran 100 lbs. ground oats

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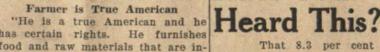
50 lbs. oil meal 100 lbs. corn meal or hominy

The calf should receive all the grain he wants from a feed box in the pen. Do not substitute cottonseed meal for oil meal.

Milkmaker

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at good prices right along. freeze should come within the next RYE-Higher prices indicated. two weeks, there would be no guess-The chances are that between now ing as to what price Michigan beans Prod. Co-op. Com. 'Ass'n and the first of the year rye will would go. California and New York bring from 10c to 15c per bushel crops of new beans cut way down above current levels. from last year.



the refinements of books, magazines

and music and the luxury of a bath tub, to the acquiring of a competence for old age, and to give his children, whose efforts are capitalized in the