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What's Doing

A Mighty Principle Mob or Army? Those 60 Conventions

of the word organization. It's a dull grey word, but it sheds bright shafts of hope with rainbow lustre. When the poet Pope told us "Order is Heaven's first law," one may well believe that organization ruled his SENDS LETTER TO NEWS

ganize to accomplish his purpose as it is for the bees of the hive to combine their strength in bringing in their stores. An unorganized factory is a scrap heap, an unorganized organized army is a mob.

who have only viewed them from a culture. action.

They are getting organized.

the purpose of getting long time credit at low interest rates. Between three and four million farmers, farmers' wives and farm boys and girls belong to the Farm Bureauthe big general farm organization of the country, with its educational, social and economic service advantag-

The farmer, as he learns to distinguish between farm organizations is not afraid to belong to more than one. He knows that the machine that mows his hay is not adapted to trucking his hogs to market nor to separating his cream. That is why he belongs not only to his co-operative marketing organization, and his credit association, but to his big basic community organization—the

Last September, 6,000 organized bankers of the American Bankers' Association met in convention in the city of Chicago. There was a time when such a gathering of bankers might have been considered with suspicion or resentment on the part of the farmer. This is not true now. The farmer has also grasped the doc-

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SEC'Y NAT. RURAL LETTER CARRIERS **SENDS GREETINGS**

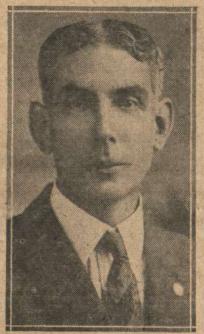
There is a mighty principle back Lansing Man is Re-Elected as National Sec'y; Urges Co-operation

It is as logical for mankind to or- Traces R. F. D.'s Development; Promises More Articles for News

Among the blessings of modern household is a bedlam and an un-rural life which farmers take as a matter of course is the R. F. D. service which was established as a re-Human organization within so- sult of a long fight waged by the ciety is too sound to be questioned. National Grange and which repre-The merits of co-operation are be- sents one of the first notable legisyoud dispute, yet there are many lative victories of organized agri-

Laziness, short-sighted- The Farm Bureau realizes the inness and "pig-headed" selfishness dispensable service which is renderare "The Three-Horsemen" that ed by the rural postmen. It watches most often defeat effective group with interest their organized efforts to improve their service and to make There is a general idea that farm- better, more friendly, more intelli ers are not inclined to work togeth- gent and more helpful realationships er. This theory is fast passing into between themselves and their farthe discard. Farmers are getting the mer patrons. The Bureau approves principles of organization instilled these efforts and honors the men into them. The necessity for organ- who are taking positions of responization has been ground into them. sibility and leadership in this movement.

Bureau Suggests Teamwork The farmer is making a study of In view of these facts it was but kinds of farmer organizations. They natural that when Mr. Lorne G. belong to their co-operative market- Blackman of Lansing was recently ing associations, two million mem- re-elected to the very responsible bers in them. Some 300,000 belong position of Secretary of the National to the 4600 little farm groups Association of Rural Letter Carriers, known as farm loan associations for the Bureau officials should write Mr.



Lorne G. Blackman, Sec'y Nat, Rural Letter Carriers' Ass'n

trine of group action. He realizes that proper organization is not destructive. Instead it is dictated by plain common sense. He is sold to self-directed farm organization.

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Blackman took very kindly to the dollars. Much of this bill comes in "inside out" rather than from the cept those on grain, are based on the and it is expected that the result will cross examination of the carriers' The same groups are gathering suggeston of the Fam Bureau offi- an indirect way but it is there just "outside in". That is to say, the class rates. daily in convention in other cities in cials and has offered to prepare a the same. Practically everything the hope and future of the organization all parts of the country. When the series of short articles for the News farmer buys has a little chunk of lies in the fact that farmers in their farmer sees that the other groups with whom he is to deal in business and society are advancing their interests through group action, he is convinced that he, too, must get together with other farmers.

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Everybody admits it. With that as a Secretary of the National Rural Letpremise there are two conclusions ter Carriers' Association, to address manufacturer, who cares only that neighbors. For the benefit of other National production of approximatethat follow, first, that group action these lines to you upon the invitation his competitor does not get coai campaign counties it is suggested by 40,000,000 bushels under the nor- in connection with the "Hoch- to be "recaptured" and used for among farmers is an advantage; and of some of the officials of the Michsecond, that an educational and eco- igan Farm Bureau. I am thus ad- pass on the cost to the consumer of nomic service organization such as dressing you in the hope that this their product. The bill is thus passed into a neighbor's yard, that prospect bushels, which is 110,000,000 less the financial condition of agriculties and the service organization such as dressing you in the hope that this their product. the Farm Bureau, brings about this may be but the beginning of a very on and on until it comes to the elose co-operation between the mem- farmer who must pay the bill and has Group action lies at the heart of bers of your organization and the no one else to pass it on to." democracy. It is a joining of one's members of our organization for the self to the majority. H. G. Wells in purpse of improving the conditions his Outline of History tells us that of rural life in this, the greatest state VAN BUREN WOMEN

the Roman freedom was that there | One of the great objects of this was "no wide organization of educa- Association, as stated in its Constitumind upon the idea of service and obligation to the republic." The Farm Bureau plan and ideal of organization gives this big view-point of the farmer's relation to his country.

The post idea of service and obligation to the republic." The ment of the Rural Free Delivery Service. I am confident that many improvements can be brought about, and a much better understanding secountry.

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FROM EL. EXCH. BOAF Agricultural Agent Johnston met cured, as to the duties of carriers Agricultural Agent Johnston met This interest is being manifested and the duties of patrons, if these with the leaders from all over the because the Farm Bureau is following the permanent rural developin this present way, or by members and the duties of patrons, if these
county at the Coterie Club Hall, Paw
rectors of the Michigan Elevator Exchange held at State Farm Bureau
Wisconsin, 23,463,000; and Minne-

versity, who says of rural organiza- Many of you might be surprised to classes are full. tion, "Let it be the high privilege of know that the Rural Free Delivery Mrs. Campbell paid high compli- faithful service as a director. Ill es during the fall months, but if a this great and free people to estab- Service has grown from three routes ment to the showing the women of health was given as his reason. The program of orderly marketing is lish a republic where rural pride is started in West Virginia, with an Van Buren made this past year, es- vacancy was filled by the selection of maintained throughout the year, equal to civic pride, where men of appropriation of \$50,000, less than pecially in view of the fact they had Milton Burkholder, manager of the prices should be satisfactory to the most refined taste and culture 30 years ago, to over 45,000 routes, only four months' training. select the rural villa and where the requiring, this present fiscal year, Mrs. Fred Srackengast of Bangor to Mr. Nicolson. wealth that comes from the soil something like \$100,000,000, cover- was chosen County Chairman of Wofinds its greatest return in develop- ing daily over 1,225,000 miles, and man's work, who, together with four Toledo Blade-Working isn't a He (on vacation)-"Good gracious! of nature which God has given to us an everlasting estate."

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PRES. COOLIDGE TO SPEAK AT ANNUAL MEET OF A. F. B. F.

Will Deliver Principal Address at National Bureau Convention at Chicago, Dec. 7-9



President Coolidge will be the printheir neighbors and, as a result, the of the A. F. B. F., to be held in Chicago, December 7-8-9.

The acceptance of this invitation by President Coolidge speaks eloquently of the esteem in which he holds the Farm Bureau and is indicative of the importance which he attaches to the wishes of this great nat-long farmers' movement.

icant that he should consent to travel members signed, but to use an exall the way to Chicago to address the pression made by one of them, "We delegates to the annual meeting of are having a right good time doing the American Farm Bureau Federa- it

them are being settled.

Farmers Hit By Coal Strike Says Bradfute

the coal strike, according to O. E. see county farmers are just as busy Rate Case, the details of which were

OFF TO GOOD START

THETFORD TWP. IS MILLS AND MURPHY **SHOWING HOW TO** EXTEND CAMPAIGN

Peppy Crew of Workers in Genesee County Adopts New Tactics

GROUPS SEE PROSPECTS

Evening Visits Boost Total From 15 to 35; Set 50 as Goal

The Volunteer Membership campaign carried on by eleven central Michigan counties during the past summer is still going on and the figures given in the last issue of the Michigan Farm Bureau News are by no means the whole of the story up to the present date.

The following membership experience which is reported from Thetford Township, Genesee county, is an illustration of what is meant by 'self-perpetuating membership". The Farm Bureau workers in this township succeeded at first in signing Following a conference with Presi- their neighbors who would gladly great freight rate case the story of House, O. E. Bradfute, president of and so for a number of evenings right. the American Farm Bureau Federa- eight or ten Farm Bureau boosters tion, authorized the statement that have gone in a group and called on cipal speaker at the annual meeting fifteen members in that township

Growing Toward New Goals But the end is not yet. These The President has established quite a reputation for staying on the job at his desk at Washington. Few and infrequent have been his trips about the country. It is indeed significant that he should consent to trans-

The Thetford township experience Volumes might be written along proves what has been said so often this line, but the simple incident it. during the past few weeks, namely, self stands as a convincing illustra- that there is an irrestible appeal tion of the fact that through organ- when a group of farmers interested ization, farmers can present a united in their own organization take it front and receive proper and respect- upon themselves to go out and arouse ful consideration in high places this same interest in their neightul consideration in high places this same interest in their neigh-where matters of great importance to the work is that when a new man is recent Docket 17,000 and Western the work is that when a new man is recent Docket 17,000 and Western the work is that when a new man is recent Docket 17,000 and Western the work is that when a new man is recent Docket 17,000 and Western the work is that when a new man is recent Docket 17,000 and Western the work is that when a new man is recent Docket 17,000 and Western the work is that when a new man is recent Docket 17,000 and Western the work is that when a new man is recent Docket 17,000 and Western the work is that when a new man is recent Docket 17,000 and Western the work is that when a new man is recent Docket 17,000 and Western the work is that when a new man is recent Docket 17,000 and Western the work is that when a new man is recent Docket 17,000 and Western the work is that when a new man is recent Docket 17,000 and Western the work is that when a new man is recent Docket 17,000 and Western the work is that when a new man is recent Docket 17,000 and Western the work is that when a new man is recent Docket 17,000 and Western the work is that when a new man is recent Docket 17,000 and Western the work is that when a new man is recent Docket 17,000 and Western the work is the work

Steam in Bureau Boilers The experience related above goes Farmers are vitally interested in right spirit is present. These Gene-

the first time said, "Gee, Daddy, but We are glad to report that Mr. tremendous sum of many millions of organization must grow from the all our rates on farm products, ex-

and the claim that he has been and MICHIGAN FARM BUREAU NEWS "Yes, he is vitally interested on large getting the newly signed memwill prevail this year. The acreage increase in the hope that the smaller the present Transportation Act now carried out successfully in some of Church, U. S. Agricultural Statisti- industry and the farm people as a with the Transportation Act. the other states and Michigan Farm cian and L. Whitney Watkins, Com- class are in better financial condi- Second: The Farm Bureau brief Bureau members are showing that missioner of Agriculture. they are just as loyal and have as Rains during the present month and that the purchasing power of modities originating in western termuch of the right kind of spirit as may add materially to the yield, but the farmer is now greater than in can be found anywhere. Thus the it is not probable that it would be pre-war days. membership in all the campaign increased to the point of creating a A typical illustration of the rail- arrived at between western carriers Paw Paw, Sept. 15.—The organ-counties is growing and will continue surplus over consumption require- roads' position is the following and eastern raifroads, and that an

from the board after four years of ably cause some depression in pric-Marlette Farmers' Co-op, as successor growers in the light of present pros-

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PLEAD FOR FARMERS IN BIG RATE CASES

Farm Bureau Traffic Men Speak For Agriculture in Great-Hearings at Chicago



D. F. Murphy, traffic expert emgether and talked things over and Bureau to prepare and present evidecided that there were many of dence for Michigan agriculture in the



A. P. Mills, Traffic Manager

ing columns.

against 38,252,000 harvested last western Railway company: year. New York, with 33,353,000 FROM EL. EXCH. BOARD bushels has the largest prospective crop. Maine is second with 30,586,-At the meeting of the Board of Di- 000 and Michigan is in third place.

FARM BUREAU CHAMPIONS CAUSE OF AGRICULTURE IN GREAT FREIGHT RATE HEARINGS BEFORE I. C. C. AT CHICAGO

Railroads Have Army of Authorities and Experts Who Testify Farmers Are Prosperous and Well Able to Pay Higher Freight; Tremendous Issues at Stake

From the standpoint of American farmers there probably was never any more important hearing than that held in Chicago before Chairman Clyde B. Aitchison of the Interstate Commerce Commission from September 8th to16th. Consideration of freight rates and fundamental policies of rate making were the order of the day.

Seldom have the great railroad interests of the Nation manifested their organized strength as effectively as they have in this great hearing. No better example of the power of organization and a united front could be imagined.

Farmers Would Be Helpless Without Organization

Agricultural interests would be at a tremendous disadvantage in this great case-were it not for the fact that through the Farm Bureau the farmers have capable spokesmen to represent them and present their side of the situation before only fifteen. These members got to- ployed by the Michigan State Farm the federal tribunal which has the final voice in fixing freight

The recent hearing was a double-headed affair. In the dent Calvin Coolidge at the White join the Farm Bureau if approached which is told in the columns to the first place it carried out the requirements of the Hoch-Smith Resolution, passed at the last session of Congress, which ordererd the Interstate Commerce Commission to make a comprehensive and careful study of the entire freight rate structure of the country and to make rates on agricultural products, including livestock, as low as would allow for the maintenance of adequate transportation service. Investigations as directed by the Hoch-Smith resolution are known as I. C. C. Docket 17,000.

Bureau Men to Testify western railroads operating in 22 by the Commission and at the re- the actual facts." cent Chicago hearings it was giv-Docket 17,000.

resentatives of the carriers have tistical experts. appeared as witnesses. Cross exby the Farm Bureau or specially ing. As this issue is being printed, Mr. retained by them for this great

Affects Michigan Farmers

Arguments on both sides of this vestigation of conditions in the low- rates asked for by the carriers. farmer now ships his products. Ask 5 Per Cent Boost

Better Potato Prices At the hearing just concluded, the western carriers alleged an increase paid to the arguments advanced in While September weather condi- of 11 per cent in their rates was the brief filed before the Interstate tions often materially affect the size necessary to enable them to earn a Commerce Commission by the Amer-It is interesting to note that the of the potato crop, growers may feel fair return as defined by law, but ican Farm Bureau Federation.

tion than at any time since the war pointed out that the rates on com-

"Whatever may have been the condition of the farmers at the time the Hoch-Smith Resolution was written, whatever depression may have occurred in agriculture, such condition and depression have now been substantially, if not completely, removed, and agriculture is now restored to prosperity. In fact, the actual purchasing power of the western farmer is now greater than in the pre-war

Evans Comments

Possibly as a backfire against put on the defensive by the declared the Hoch-Smith Resolution, 73 purpose of the carriers in this proceeding to show that agriculture has recovered and that prosperity in agristates petitioned for a 5 per cent culture has been restored. It is up increase in freight rates. This to the farmer, acting through his plea was docketed as Ex Parte 87 Farm Bureau, to furnish and submit

A vast amount of evidence intenden consideration along with ed to sustain the carriers' position was presented during the eight day Thus far in this epoch making them being volumes, were offered hearing. Forty six exhibits, many of traffic controversy, only the rep- by transportation, financial and sta-

Charles Evans Hughes, formerly amination of these railway wit. Secretary of State, was among the Michigan State Farm Bureau nesses has been deferred until Oc-tober 26th, at which time evisigned, he goes along with the boost- Freight Rate Case hearings held in sented by traffic managers and shippers' organizations were on hand er bunch to help sign the next man. Chicago and reviewed in the adjoin- attorneys permanently employed at the opening session of the hear-

Dr. Friday Testifies

Among the many nationallyknown economists and experts re-Presentation of evidence in be- tained by the railroads to testify

be the removal of many rate handi- witnesses. Many of the allegations caps under which the Michigan made in favor of higher rates are supported by misleading figures and testimony.

Considerable public attention is

other townships in Genesee county quite certain that fairly good prices that they would ask for a 5 per cent | This brief pointed out, first: that certain portion of these earnings are

ments. The Michigan crop was es- statement made by Mr. R. N. Van increse in western rates would unbaltimated at 26,529,000 bushels Doren, vice-president of the North- ance this entire scheme and would be the forerunner of great increases in the entire eastern territory.

Bureau Active in Case

The Farm Bureau is taking a very prominent part in this case. The American Farm Bureau Federation has secured as counsel Fred S. Jackson, former attorney general of Kansas and four years attorney for the Public Utilities Commission of that

Those who remember the freight rate fight of 1921-22 will recall Mr. Jackson as an associate of Clifford Thorne, the firm name being at that Frank Evans, general marketing active in assisting the Farm Bureaus counsel of the American Farm Bu- get the 10 per cent reduction gain-

> Under the direction of Attorney (Continued on page 4)

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THE STATE FARM BUREAU'S PUBLIC SERVICE PROGRAM

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Relief for sorely burdened farm property by enaction of: (a) Two cent gasoline tax for highway funds.

(ENACTED, Jan. 29, 1924) (b) State Income Tax in place of State's gen-

eral 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 same. (Farm Bureau investigations brought equalization in Calhoun, Ingham, Wash-

tenaw, Monroe and Kalamazoo counties, saving farmer taxpayers \$67,350 excess taxes annually.)

TRANSPORTATION-Immediate application of Michigan Zone Rate decision to save farmer shippers in 69 counties \$500,000 annually. (EFFECTIVE Sept. 10, 1925)

Extension of sound co-operative mar-MARKETINGketing program now well under way in

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, retention of federal income tax.

IS FARMING AND RURAL LIFE WORTH WHILE?

If anyone has the idea that a life spent on the farm is largely wasted and that the rural community offers little opportunity for doing anything worth while he should read the following inspiring lines from a recent address delivered by Mrs. Ivon D. Gore of Utah, chairman of the Home and Community Work of the American Farm Bureau Federation for the western region:

"The national influence of a single farm community has been the subject of a recent comprehensive study. This community centers in Belleville, a small agricultural village of not more than five hundred people, situated in the township of Ellisburg, six miles from a railroad in Jefferson county, New York. There in 1824 a special school was founded by a man of vision and in 1826 the 'Union Literary Society' was incorporated for the purpose of founding and supporting an academic school for both sexes. Throughout the century the school thus founded by a group of farmers has been governed by a hoard of trustees composed of men and women of the farm, its students have come almost entirely from the farms and many of its teachers have been

imported from the leading universities of the east.

"Careful record of its scholars has been kept. It is one of the most inspiring demonstrations of what a community can do for itself and for the nation at large by maintaining high ideals and working for their realization. With students numbering one hundred to three hundred forty-two annually, that little community has sent throughout the United States and even to foreign countries a steady stream of trained, inspired men and women who are outstanding, each in his own field of endeavor, and has also retained practically half of its students of equal worth in the home community. It is interesting to note that the Farm Bureau has taken a firm hold here.

"To the men and women who value 'Service to Humanity' as a motive of work, who seek 'Investment of Life' where dividends of influence are largest, the spirit of Belleville community calls: 'You have feared that your influence would be lost if loosed among farmers. Look at the rivulets, streams and rivers of youth flowing from the farms into the sea of national life. How would you more surely send your influence into every part of the Nation than to lodge your life in the farm community? Come back into the hills or out into the plains whence comes the strength of the Nation and sell your life at the best terms to humanity at large. Let your life seep into national life through the human carriers from the farm.""

"Under all is the land. Upon its wise utilization and widely aflocated ownership depend the survival and growth of free institutions and of our civilization."-Preamable, Code of Ethics National Association of Real Estate Boards.

FIVE SENTENCES PACK A POWERFUL PUNCH

"Agriculture has advanced tremendously in production methods but lags in the business of selling its products and protecting its interests," observes Farm and Fireside in an editorial comment. "So long as farmers get less for an hour of labor, for equal capital and equal use of intelligence, the battle must be kept up. The return from the soil must keep pace with the standard of living. When we win equality, we will still have to maintain our organized power to retain it. A farmer who withdraws his support now from his farm organization because it makes mistakes does about as fool a trick as a farmer who abandons his cornfield because weeds get a start."

REBUILDING THE RURAL CHURCH

A movement is being fostered by the Michigan State College to rebuild the rural town churches of this state; to consolidate different sects and sections into prosperous memberships capable of maintaining a pastor and promoting religious and literary community_life.

This is one of the finest movements that could possibly be undertaken. When the pioneers came into Michigan a house of worship was among the first buildings to be erected. The church was aligned closely with the rural school, the pastor and schoolmaster becoming great agents in the work of moulding public thought into proper channels for civic progress.

Today the pioneers sleep in the quiet of the country churchyards. Near where they reared the standards of a new civilization are left deserted and decaying the temples of worship wherein was taught the simple faith of a godly race. Their descendants have been scattered to the four winds of the earth, while those who came later were without the old traditions to bind them to the work of preserving the rural church, preferring to center their interests in nearby cities.

We have need that the rural church should be rebuilt. We have need of a religious revival of thought and action, for nowhere in all the world is there a greater guarantee of the perpetuation of our national existence than there is in the rural sections of this country-THE ADDISON COURIER.

RAIN AND DISEASE HARM BEAN CROP

September is usually the critical month in determining the volume of bean production. With good prospects earlier in the season, growers' hopes are often dashed to the ground by wet weather during the harvesting period, and what may have promised a good yield actually becomes a partial crop of poor quality.

This year, conditions were generally favorable up to the end of August, except that blight and anthracnose, the two menacing diseases of Michigan beans, were prevalent in various sections, according to statement issued by Verne H. Church, U. S. Agr'l Statistican, and L. Whitney Watkins, Commissioner of Agriculture. The vines were well podded and the pods were well filled. The prospect was for a crop of 7,288,000 bushels which, if attained, would be the largest crop on record.

However, rains during the past few weeks have undoubtedly lowered the quality of the beans in process of harvesting. This, with the prevailing diseases, will cause a considerable pickage. The September 1 estimate for other leading states was as follows: New York, 1,924,000 bushels; Montana, 464,000; Colora-2,525,000; New Mexico, 179,-000; Idaho, 1,722,000; 'California, 2,965,000. The total crop of the country was estimated at 17,569,000 bushels as compared with 13,327, 000 last year and 16,004,000 two

Commissioner of Agriculture.

WHICH WOULD YOU USE

"And as to membership dues, right now I want to tell you I think your \$5 due is too small. It should be \$10 if you are to have the kind of organization you want", declared O. E. Bradfute, president of the American Farm Bureau, addressing a Kansas audience at Ottawa, Kas., recently.

"As to machines and their cost." he continued. "I remember there is hanging in my son's room down on the farm at Xenia, Ohio, a wheat sickle. It is the one my father used on that farm. He could cut about one acre a day. "Out in the shed hangs a cra-

dle. I used that myself. Five acres-once in a while sixthat was a good day's work. "Out in our machine shed is

an eight-foot self binder. My son does twenty acres a day with it.

"Now that sickle would probably cost one dollar today; the cradle about five dollars and the binder two hundred and fifty dollars. But if I've got a field to cut, which one am I going to use?

'Our problems are like the field and our Farm Bureau is the machine. Which kind do you want?"

From a commercial standpoint. Washington leads with a crop of years ago.

APPLE CROP LARGER

AND BETTER QUALITY

The commercial apple crop of the United States promises to be larger than last year, the September 1 estimate being 30,394,000 barrels as two days and California, 1,202,000 the york is second with 4,809,000 and Michigan is third with 1,770,000. Virginia reports a crop of 1,221,000 barrels; Pennsylvania, 992,000; West Virginia, 674,000; Ohio, 652,000; Illinois, 1,250,000; Missouri, 658,000; Arkansas, 850,000; Colorado, 792,000; Federation. Approval of tentative plans for such campaigns has been given by the executive committee of sixth of the commercial apple crop of the United States promises to be larger than last year, the September 1 estimate being 30,394,000 barrels as the commercial apple crop of the United States promises to be larger than last year. The September 1 estimate being 30,394,000 barrels as the commercial apple crop of the United States promises to be larger than last year. The September 1 estimate being 30,394,000 barrels as the commercial apple crop of the United States promises to be larger than last year. The September 1 estimate being 30,394,000 barrels as the commercial apple crop of the United States promises to be larger than last year. The September 1 estimate the commercial apple crop of the United States promises to be larger than last year. The September 1 estimates the commercial apple crop of the United States promises to be larger than last year. The September 1 estimates the commercial apple crop of the United States promises to be larger than 1,770,000 barrels as the commercial apple crop of the United States promises to be larger than 1,770,000 barrels as the commercial apple crop of the United States promises to be larger than 1,770,000 barrels as the commercial apple crop of the post year. Farm Bureaus both a number of counties will conduct the promise than 1,770,000 barrels as the commercial apple crop of the post year. Farm Bureaus both a number of counties will conduct the post year. Farm Bureaus both a number of) ward the north,

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ABSENCE OF EDITOR TO USE HIS PICTURE

Members, Meet Ye Modest News Scribe Who'll Be Shocked When He Sees This

Undoubtedly thousands of readers of the Michigan Farm Bureau News have formed a mental picture of the man who edits their paper. However, very few of them have ever seen him in person. In the nearly three at the last board of directors' meet-ordinary. years that the News has been published it has carried the pictures of many Farm Bureau men and other agricultural leaders, but never has a gricultural leaders has a gricultural leaders.

columns has not been that he wasn't of farmers has succeeded, within the



E. E. Ungren

He gladly tells about the Farm Bu-expense statement shows an excess never says a word about himself.

Nor would his picture appear ited \$20,000.03, ited to surplus. herewith, except that he is absent and

Editor Ungren's absence is that his parents are seriously ill at the old family home in Oil City, Pennsylthe past four weeks, but from last that budget. is slowly improving.

readers of this paper will appreciate tion is not conducted for profit, and having him back at the desk, wield-ing the big editorial pencil once expended for the benefit of its mem-

LIVINGSTON FIRST CO. TO SIGN FOR SPRING CAMPAIGN

Many Counties Show Interest At Least 30 Will Renew Memberships

to confer with seven other County this financial report, Farm Bureau boards regarding the next campaign and other requests are coming in daily. There is a very all of the counties which wish to come into the spring campaign get in touch with the proper officials at State Headquarters as soon as possible.

Secretary-Manager -C. L. Brody and Organization Director Alfred Bentall, will be very glad to confer with any County Farm Bureau interested in the campaign. In order that there may be plenty of time to do the work economically and well, the preliminary arrangements between the State office and the County Farm Bureau Boards should all be completed by the end of this year.

OHIO PLANS WINTER MEMBERSHIP DRIVES

Encouraged by a 10 per cent timate being 30,394,000 barrels as 000; and California, 1,202,000. The given by the executive committee of compared with the final estimate of Michigan crop is better than last the Federation.

28,701,000 in 1924. While the total year both in quantity and quality. It The majority of memberships held agricultural crop is not quite as is estimated that 57 per cent of the by farmers in about a dozen County large as a year ago, the quality is State's crop consists of winter, 24 per Farm Bureaus expire this winter, it much better and a larger proportion cent of fall, and 19 per cent of sum- is reported. Farmers in a number will go into commercial channels, mer varieties. The heavy volume of other counties are anxious to inaccording to a statement issued by this year is in the western part of terest more producers in the program Verne H. Church, U. S. Agricultural the State from Allegan county north- of co-operative marketing and com-Statistician and L. Whitney Watkins, ward, the percentage increasing to- munity work being carried forward under the direction of the Bureaus,

A. F. B. F. REPORT **SHOWS DEBT CUT EXCEEDS \$29,000**

National Federation Has Bank Balance On Right Side

of Ledger

handsome, but rather that he was so space of less than a year's rime, in pulling itself up out of heavy indebtedness, and in establishing itself in reasonable financial security."

Comparison of the balance sheet of July 31, with that at the beginning of the fiscal year, shows that \$29,372.97 of the indebtedness carried over at the beginning of the year and amounting to \$38,585,11, had been paid, and Treasurer A. R. Simpson states that since July 31 this amount has been still further reduced, so that at present all bills payable amount to \$8,585.11, with a bank balance at \$11,365.50 on hand with which to pay them. These few remaining bills are being paid as quickly as they can be properly cleared for payment.

Income in Excess Of accounts owing to the A. F. B. F., \$33,288.00 has been collected in cash and bankable notes. Twothirds of the estimated expense of holding the next annual convention has been set aside in a reserve fund for this purpose. Adequate depreciation has been charged against extremely modest and unassuming. furniture and fixtures. The income reau, its service and progress, but of income over expense amounting ture of a strong leading editorial. to \$26,555.69, which has been cred- devoted many days, we might almost

The auditor's letter, accompany-The only regret which we have in 31, states as follows, in part:

vania. Mr. Ungren has spent many very anxious days with them during the beginning of the year and that your expenses have been kept within

"A continuation of your present financial policy should result in con-Certainly, the other boys at State Headquarters will welcome the return of Mr. Ungren and no doubt the turn of Mr. Ungren and no doubt the bers, we are of the opinion that a reasonable surplus is necessary to place the organization on a sound financial footing.

"Respectfully submitted. Certified Public Accountants." Thirty States Reporting

Bureaus, and it is felt that the im- Management and Nutrition, reau has the honor of being the first State Farm Bureau, are this year ac- Van Buren, 930. county to enter the 1926 membership counting regularly every month for Several of these exhibits will also

promptness in taking this forward fulness in the minds of the members men's Clubs on October 20-21. as the permanency and stability of

Grandpa thought pa was going to George-"I shall go to your father

MRS. KINCH IS LADY HAVING REMARKABLY VARIED INTERESTS

Although Real Farm Woman, Still She Finds Time for Service To Her Community

We are glad to present herewith a very good likeness of Mrs. Frank Kinch of Grindstone City, Farm Bu-One of the interesting high lights reau booster and farm woman extra-

cut of the Editor appeared.

The reason for the omission of the history of forms of the history of The reason for the omission of the history of farm organization, so Farmer. That paper not only devoted any likeness of the Editor from these far as I know, where a national body more than a page to reviewing her



Mrs. Frank Kinch

activities, but gave her the further notice of making her the central fea-It might be said that Mrs. Kinch

say weeks, during the past summer, doesn't know that it is being inserted by his admirers at Farm Bureau

ing the report of his examination of the Farm Bureau's books on July

to presenting the claims of Bureau in community and countywide meetings in several of the campaign counties. She is one of the this connection is that the reason for "In our opinion, the excellent relating to the Farm Bureau and the best speakers in the state on topics

FOR FIRST HONORS IN WOMEN'S WORK

Home Demonstration Project Competition Keen at Grand Rapids

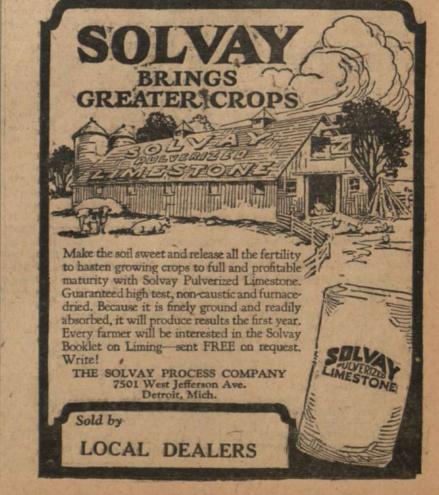
Organized women from eight counties made exhibits of their Extension (Signed) Albert T. Bacon & Co., Projects at the recent West Michigan State Fair held at Grand Rapids. Splendid exhibits from Washtenaw, The definite policy on finance un- Allegan, Branch, Van Buren, Kent, der which the A. F. B. F. has been Barry, Ottawa and Lenawee made operating this year is being well ac- hot competition. Projects illustratcepted by the member State Farm ed included Clothing, Household

provement in its financial situation | On the basis of 1,000 as a perfect bears out that fact, and justifies the score, the first four places were present policy. Thirty State Farm awarded as follows: Washtenaw. The Livingston County Farm Bu-Bureaus, including the Michigan 975; Allegan, 970; Branch, 960;

campaign. At a meeting of their the full share of memberships they be shown at local fairs. For instance, Board of Directors held on Wednes- receive that are due the A. F. B. F., the Van Buren women will re-assemday, September 16th, the vote was and are sending in each month a de- ble their booth for the county fair unanimous that Livingston county tailed report of these memberships, at Hartford. At the request of Mrs. should be one of the thirty in the Reports from the field indicate Louise Campbell, State Home Dembig campaign next spring. The that everywhere there is a new onstration Leader, this exhibit will County Farm Bureau Directors there confidence and interest in the Farm be put up at Benton Harbor at the are to be congratulated on their Bureau. There is a vigor and hope- meeting of the Federation of Wo-

The Farm Bureau is a strong sup-Officials of the State Farm Bureau their organization is demonstrated porter of Home Demonstration work have already received applications to them in such tangible ways as and in many counties is largely responsible for making its continuance possible.

encouraging readiness on the part of turn out to be something wonderful and ask his consent tonight, darling. the County Farm Bureaus to take and pa is confident that son will There are no grounds on which he up the campaign work. Because of make a mark in the world. Each can throw me out, dear, are there?" the very large amount of preliminary work necessary, it is important that next generation.-Kansas City Star. in back which looks nice and soft.



FAIR IS PICTURED AS MILESTONE IN **RURAL PROGRESS**

Speaker Traces History of Fairs and Shows Their Great Value

FAIR CALLED EXAM. DAY

Follows Remarks on Fairs With Talk on Need For Organization

Athens, Sept. 18 .- The Athens Community Fair, sponsored by the Athens Grange and business men co- the past week the County Farm Bu- many thousands of questions relaoperating, was in full swing here to- reau co-operating with the County tive to farming. day. Good exhibits in all depart- Agricultural Agent, Kalamazoo Cow contributed to the success of this Jersey and Guernsey Breed Associa- Olds had charge of the handicraft community building venture. Music tions, furnished a large tent in which work of which there was a very fine by the Bronson Band, free acts, an were staged some splendid educaaddress by Stanley M. Powell, assist- tional features. The above picture the livestock work and student ant secretary of the State Farm Bu- shows one corner of these exhibits. reau, and a football game between the Athens and Union City High and marl were demonstrated. The School teams were some of the out- value of good seeds and how they standing features of the day's pro- are furnished to Michigan farmers

gan in particular.

'No matter how efficient we may be

world and in a very complex society, at 25,000,000 people. in competition with each other and "The State of Michigan is well fa- which should be promoted and not

big matters.'

cational features excite my admira- miums. tion and are indeed an inspiration to "With these facts before us, when which is coming.

History of Fairs

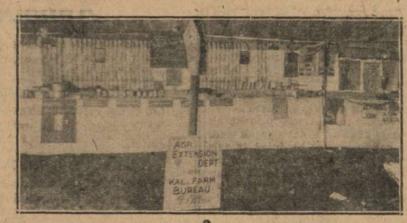
exhibitions and appreciate their significance as factors in rural life.

ference of opinion in regard to the on obsolete varieties and monstrocimerits of the different animals and ties.

it today is a very different institu- agricultural and horticultural activi- have quite frequently been disregardtion. It should be, and is in a great ties. products which are raised.

The Fair is a Community Force "A fair properly conducted serves as a great stimulus to agriculture. day in Michigan upon the type of ani-In addition to the benefits sketched mals-that are best suited for either limited to the careless farmer. The as a community center where people pretty well settled as to the number this insect is that the adult that lines. It promotes social intercourse the state and cover the whole field, to the one who does, causing a heavy in the community which it serves. | then the production of these fifteen loss to both. Hence this is a prob-

Kazoo Bureau Takes Active Part in Local Fair Exhibits



judging.

committee.

Boys' club work was looked after

exhibit and Mr. Sexton supervised

A Jersey helfer owned and exhib-

ted by a calf_club member, Melvin

Vorenkamp, was 1st prize in her

class, also junior and grand Cham-

pion Jersey. She also won for her

owner a handsome watch valued at

\$25.00 given by the Kalamazoo Jew-

elers club for the best fitted and best

Ten young men spent all of Wed-

nesday in judging livestock under

Mr. Sexton. They were competing

for prizes offered for this work which

include a trip to the National Dairy

Show, October 8, at Indianapolis, In-

diana. The winners will be announ-

ced as soon as the papers can be

looked over by Mr. Sexton and his

Club work should get a lot of

"The above remarks are not in-

HOLD CORN BORER

Pest; Control Methods

Studied

Monroe, Sept. 24 .- First-hand in-

Today the interested farmers were

The present serious situation in

Southeastern Michigan is said to be

d. The result is that the borers have

ling the corn borer.

trained calf exhibited.

At the Kalamazoo Fair held during | hand most of the time and answered ments and satisfactory attendance Testing Association, and the Holstein, by Mr. Olds and Mr. Sexton. Mr.

was also shown effectively.

A fine booth was fitted up by the Speaking on the topic, "The Necessity for an Organized Agriculture", Mr. Powell discussed conditions with Mr. Reeder and Mr. Fleming on which make it necessary for the farwhich make it necessary for the far-mer to be organized for effective group action if he is to have equality of opportunity with men of other classes. He sketched the remarkable achievements of the Grange and \$16.00 worth of feed more in a year Farm Bureau in promoting efficient than the other, but produced almost production and orderly marketing double the milk. This was a striking and outlined the tremendous strides illustration of the necessity of testwhich the cooperative movement has ing instead of guessing. It was not made in the last few years, both in uncommon to see some farmer come the country at large and in Michi- in and pick out the poorer cow of the two and say she was his choice.

encouragement out of this year's fair County Agent Olds and Secretary and next year the enrollment will "However," warned Mr. Powell, Sexton of the Farm Bureau were on doubtless be much larger.

in production or how orderly in development. The first fair ever held these varieties. Why pay premiums marketing, one single tax law, in the world which had for its pur- on 110 varieties, 50 of which have freight rate, tariff schedule or other pose education was held in the year been forgotten entirely or are so rare legislative or judicial regulation may 1812. The total attendance was that few people recognize their names determine the difference between about 5,000 people. In 1925 there until they see them in the premium profit and loss on the year's busi- are 2,000 fairs being held in the list which has been copied from year United States with a total attendance to year from other premium lists? "Living as we do in an organized which has been carefully estimated Let us promote the type of agricultural and horticultural products

with unseen farmers in the far cor- vored in the number of its fairs. the type which should be demoted. ners of the world, we must be or- There will be 82 fairs held in the ganized to protect ourselves in these state this year. The total amount of tended to be critical, but only conpremiums paid by all these fairs, oth- structively suggestive. My main Carrying out this thought, Mr. er than the State Fair at Detroit, is thought is that our fairs are an as-Powell discussed in detail several im- \$186,540.00 Fairs organized on set so good that they deserve our portant transportation, legislative the non-profit sharing basis partici- careful consideration and our inand taxation issues and showed the pate in monies appropriated by the telligent effort for their fullest and necessity of organization if they are Legislature for that purpose. Fairs most helpful development. to be settled in a manner favorable organized for profit, where stockholders receive money when a profit Mr. Powell preceded the main is made in the operation of the fair, MONROE FARMERS part of his address with a few para- do not participate in monies thus apgraphs regarding the origin and de- propriated by the Legislature. The nt of American Fairs. The Legislature has allowed \$75,000 a following summarizes this portion of year to pay premiums to fairs other than the one at Detroit. This covers "I regard it as a very great honor about 40 per cent of the total to be privileged to bring a word of premiums awarded at these fairs. The greeting to you on this happy occasion. This large gathering here today \$50,000 to the State Fair at Detroit Field Day Reveals Ravages of and these splendid exhibits and edu- for aiding in the payment of pre-

each of us. The whole fair is sym- we consider the large amount of bolic of the new day in agriculture money and of time which is invested and is prophetic of a still better day in Michigan fairs, it is well that we formation regarding the activities of should pause as we have done this European corn borers in Monroe afternoon and consider how to make county fields was secured today by "As we today assemble at this fair this huge investment return the larg- farmers who took part in an inspecit is fitting that we should briefly re- est possible dividends in education tion trip or Field Day arranged by yiew the history of these agricultural and human happiness and progress. | County. Agricultural Agent Clair Burton, and the Monroe County

Urge Care in Awards "Personally, I feel that the fair Farm Bureau. This demonstration "The Fair, as it exists today, is a should show the possibilities of the trip was arranged in response to redistinctly American institution. It is community which it serves. Stress quests from many farmers for infortrue that so-called fairs were held should be placed by Fair Managers mation as to how they should proupon the commons and in public on the development of that type of ceed to control the corn borer which places in England and other Euro- agriculture at which the farmer could infested their fields. pean countries many years ago. do the best in the territory in which These exhibits were for the purpose the fair is located, Premiums should accompanied by County Agent Burof disposing of property. They were be paid on the type of agricultural ton and representatives of the Dep't more like sales organizations than and horticultural products which the of Agriculture, to various fields in farmers can produce to the best ad- the county and were shown what the "Even at these early sales fairs vantage in that locality. We should insect is already doing. Federal enthere developed quite naturally a dif-discontinue the paying of premiums tomologists explained the methods

products put up for sale. This - "Let us remember that there is brought about a system of judging but one justification for turning over due to the fact that during the past and the placing upon the winning to Fair managers monies derived two or three years the warnings rearticles of ribbons and other emblems from the channels of taxation, and garding destroying refuse that would to designate quality. However, the that is that the monies appropriated harbor the borers and about cutting whole idea was for the purpose of by the Legislature and the County corn as low as possible, so that the Boards of Supervisors will be used insect would be in the portion of the "The American Fair as we know to promote and make more profitable crop to be removed from the fields,

many cases, the milestone which "Premiums are one means of en- been increasing in numbers in the inmarks the progress which we are couraging the production of certain fested fields and have been spreading making in agricultural, horticultural things. It is evident that we should rapidly, and industrial development. The be careful to encourage only those Agricultural College is our teacher things which are really worthwhile. and the gospel of better farming is carried to the man on the farm who cannot go to college by the Extension Service, including the County Agricultural Agents and the Extension Specialists. The fair is the examination day. The farmers from far and near bring their products and place them on exhibition as a means of guilty of a serious mistake if it enand the gospel of better farming is The College and the Extension Servthem on exhibition as a means of guilty of a serious mistake if it en- hill of corn and over 30 in one stalk. showing the improvements which couraged, by the payment of pre- If this is what Michigan farmers have been made and of checking up miums, the production of things want, a sure way of getting it is to on the quality of the various farm which should properly be dis- disregard the few simple rules of couraged.

Up-to-Date Premium Lists "We are pretty well settled to- One of the worst features of this

Canada Object Lesson In this connection it is interesting control which your County Agent

would be glad to explain to you. and hinted at above, the fair serves the dairy or the block. We are disastrous part of the life history of get together and compare notes on of the varieties of apples that should lays the eggs has wings and can fly the results of their efforts along agri- be planted in Michigan. If there are from the farm of the man who does cultural, horticultural and industrial 15 varieties of apples that do bost in not take care of his fields properly. "The American Fair as we know varieties should be encouraged by lem which requires both individual it today is by no means a spontaneous the payment of good premiums on and organized attention.

The state of the s

"Booster Stations"

The Community Farm Bureau, the Heart of Successful Rural Organization

> By E. P. TAYLOR Director of Organization American Farm Bureau Federation

Leading down from the elevated plains of Wyoming, from the great oil fields of Casper and the group of oil gushers in the land of Tea Pot Dome is a pipe-line buried beneath the earth. It stretches away in its hidden trench for nearly a thousand miles from central Wyoming, down through fertile Nebraska and through a corner of Kansas to Kansas City. Here it joins another submerged pipe-line which comes up to meet it from the oil fields of Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas. From Kansas City through Missouri and Illinois along the line of the Santa Fe Railroad for another half thousand miles to the busy refineries around the lake below Chicago comes the combination of these two arteries of oil.

This oil stream would be but a stagnant thread of sluggish liquid were it not for the little booster stations along the way. Every few miles along the pipe-line the pumps of a booster station give the oil within the pipe-line a throb which sends it on its way to its destination. These booster stations may be likened to little pulsating hearts along a circulatory system. They must keep the life blood of the pipe-line moving.

Pumping the Life Blood of Co-operation

When I saw these booster stations along that artery of oil, I thought of the booster stations along our co-operative pipelines of agriculture.

The co-operative movement of farmers is like the flow of a stream within a pipe-line. The booster station along the line in this case is the little organized group of farmers out in the country known as the Community Farm Bureau.

Co-operation among farmers is here. It is not coming. It may take the form of a co-operative plan of securing farm loans through a local Farm Loan Association or an Agricultural Credit Association of the Federal Intermediate Credit

This co-operation among farmers may take the form of a co-operative feed purchasing association such as the G-L-F (Grange-Dairymen's League-Farm Bureau Federation) which last year brought to its members, the dairymen of New York and adjoining states, 30,000 carloads of properly mixed feeds for their dairy herds.

This co-operative idea

may also be illustrated

by such a movement as

the National Livestock

Producers' Association,

which this year, through

its thirteen well managed co-operative terminal

agencies, sold for its members 92,336 carloads

of livestock for over a

nundred thousand live-

One cannot help but

feel proud of such accomplishments. They are

proof that farmers are actually co-operating up-

on a magnificent scale

Over two million farmers

this year were members

of co-operative market-

ing associations which

did a business of two

Whether the co-opera-tive pipe-line of the far-

mer be a tax association,

a purchasing association,

a marketing association,

a credit association, an

stock shippers.

billion dollars.



E. P. Taylor Director of Organization

educational extension association, or a group American Farm Bureau Fed. brought together for any other co-operative service, the little group of farmers and their wives who meet together each month at their Farm

Bureau community meeting place in the country, acts as the booster station. It is what keeps the life blood of co-operation coursing along in the channels. Let a community Farm Bureau, for the tme being, fall by the way-side, let the people fail to get together, and co-operation lags. The Community Farm Bureau is needed to quicken the pulse of co-operation. Without them the stream gets sluggish and stands still in the

That is why in California, where co-operative marketing is so successful, the Community Farm Bureau is kept alive as an all-the-year booster station for every worthy enterprise in the farm community.

Michigan Stressing Need of Community Programs That is why Michigan, Iowa, Indiana, Minnesota, Ohio, Illinois, and other states with their many communty groups of Farm Bureau farmers are today doing things in co-operative marketing whereas a few years ago they only talked about

There are over a thousand such community booster stations in the state of Iowa. Indiana has nearly a thousand townships in the state and a large percentage of them are organized upon the township or community basis. Illinois is now realizing that she must conduct a campaign to multiply the number of her confinunity Farm Bureau booster stations. In Michigan, a new emphasis is being placed on community Farm Bureau activities in the eleven counties which have recently been engaged in membership campaigns on the volunteer solicitor, continuous agreement basis. In the United States there are perhaps ten thousand communities where the folks of the country get together to rehearse their co-operative catechism and promote a more prosperous rural citizenship. Do you wonder why co-operation has at last taken root in the

The booster stations are especially well organized in the state of Maryland. The women folk are an important part of the machine. When it was necessary to get a co-operative canning association together in Maryland they first turned to the power station known as the community Farm Bureau. Fifty per cent of all the farmers and their families in Queen Anne's county, Maryland, are active members of their community

Bureau's Influence Helps in Marketing Ventures In Utah about a fourth of the farmers in the entire state are members of a community Farm Bureau—there being three hundred community units in the state. With this kind of an organization as a background when the farmers wanted to start a Co-operative Sugar Beet Association in Utah, they had no trouble in signing up 98 1/2 per cent of all the beet

It is the most logical development of farmer organization. Any one knows that farmers do not go any great distance from home to attend meetings even in these days of good roads and automobiles. We get a lot from reading and we get a lot from radio but we will continue to get a great share of our inspiration by meeting with our neighbors. "Forsake not the assembling of yourselves together," said St. Paul

A hundred and twenty-five years ago, Thos. Jefferson, the Sage of Monticello, himself a real champion of country life and rural development, advocated a plan of community organization consisting of country units covering six mile squares. It has fallen to the American Farm Bureau Federation, with its far-reaching plan of community organization, to develop that plan. These community Farm Bureaus are the booster stations along the co-operative pipe-line. They are the guarantee of the continued success of the co-operative marketing associations and of a better educated and a happier rurai people.

Are We a Thoughtless and Money Grasping Generation?

Our Debt of Gratitude And Respect?

By MRS. EDITH M. WAGAR Chairman Farm Bureau Homes

These days we are planning betrural church problem of the day.

> welfare of our rural populace and the

Mrs. Wagar proved highways, ed us, so contain that follow. perplexities and many other factors that enter into a program of progress and contentment.

A Neglected Duty hope to command. This is the ap- of a duty. pearance of our rural cemeteries. melts away.

careless age grasping for personal of the necessary tasks to be done at opportunities, adding to our store of once. earthly goods day by day with no time for thought of those whose very lives had been devoted to the develca for us to enjoy?

their sacred resting place a reflection of sorrow and tender thoughtful-selves that WE have performed our

A Case in Point

what is everyone's business is no pleasant sights. and thereafter care for it.

fence and cut brush and make drive- different. ways and give proper drainage Many a broken slab was repaired and the crooked set straight, many a sunken grave was filled and leveled Cassidy had just been injured in until today this is one of the beauty a blast. "Poor b'y!" exclaimed spots of the neighborhood. O'Connor consolingly. "Tis tough Enthusiasm Spreads

After the first interest had been "Well," said the cheery Cassidy, created, the enthusiasm ran riot. "it might have been worse, Suppose flect as much attention as the ad- the time?"

Are We Guilty of Neglecting | joining lot and so it has kept on until all concerned consider it a duty to assist with the quarterly dinner or other function in its behalf. This has also been one of the means of keeping alive the community spirit in that neighborhood.

Years ago through the request of the State Farmers' clubs and the State Grange, a day was set apart er communities by giving our each autumn to visit these cities of thought and attention to the improve- the dead and to supplement the work ment of our rural school system so of Decoration Day in the spring. that the growing generation may This day is called Memory Day. By have the very greatest opportunity act of our Michigan State Legislafor education which it is possible to ture, Sept, 30th, just four months maintain. At the same time our after Decoration Day, was the day so thoughts are moving along with the chosen. Many organizations of our state make an annual practice of Likewise we come holding simple services within the face to face with cemeteries of their jurisdiction and questions of vital decorate each grave before leaving, importance to the not unmindful of those who would be peace of mind and otherwise forgotten.

Maintaining High Standards

Whether we follow any of these proper solutions of methods or not, we can all of us these are absolutely necessary if we are to keep a stable with our encouragement in any efagriculture. We must give more than passing thought to passing thought to the matter of telephone service, im- as we do for those who have preceded us, so can we expect of those

But We must remember that the individual cannot make a beautiful cemetery any more than he can maintain a public school or support a church, but he can co-operate with But there is another matter that others until the purpose is attained we should bring to our attention and his ready response will ever once in a while if we would keep serve as a worthy example to others the respect of others that we all that have heretofore been unmindful

There is no better time than now Many a time the traveler passing to make a start. If we want hulbs the last resting place of those taken to bloom next spring we should not from the community will pause and delay planting this fall. If we have wonder if the entire neighborhood always intended that Mother should is not all dead and forgotten. He have a portion of her rosebush she looks upon sunken graves and un- loved so well here, or that sister's kept lots amid brush and weeds and grave should be the beautiful green briers and his objection to the mod- mound we know she deserved and ern method of cremation gradually would love to have, we should not wait for that "some day" to come, Are we living in a thoughtless, but should include this work as one

A Personal Responsibility

Many a time we've heard folks opment of this wonderful Ameri- say "why don't THEY do something to make this place more presentable" Cannot we pause as we move along when they themselves had not been and give to their memory the time alert to their own duty in the matand effort that it would take to make ter. Let's drop the complaint on

How noticeable a well kept, tend-I have in mind one of the oldest erly cared for cemetery is to the emeteries of our community. The passerby! What a peaceful, restful, forefathers of practically the entire fairly inviting place it looks to be! neighborhood were buried there. And how ugly, how repulsive, how There seemed to be no one of auth- dreaded is the unkept one. How we ority in control of it and as usual, hasten by that we might see more

one's business, hence it was sadly Here's just another place where neglected in every way. But a group the woman's influence will be the of women called the neighborhood moving factor. She may not do the together and they decided to take actual work, but she can arouse the steps to organize an association so interest and set the machinery movas to put it in respectable shape ing toward a community project most worthy and needed. Farm Bureau First they got in touch with the women of Michigan, let's each take relatives of all those buried there an inventory of our individual reand urged them to co-operate in sponsibilities in this matter and if some, way towards sharing the ex- we find ourselves tardy, let's make a pense and responsibility. Then they beginning NOW and watch the implanned socials, fairs and dinners to provement grow until we feel that raise the necessary money to build no one can call us neglectful or in-

THE IRISH QUESTION

luck to have yer hand blowed off." "Well," said the cheery Cassidy,

Everyone wanted their lot to re- Oi'd had me week's wages in it at

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Let the experience and unexcelled cleaning facilities of the MICHIGAN FARM BUREAU SEED SERVICE help you put your home-grown seed in the cleanest and best possible condition.

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\$1.00 per bu. Cleaning, scarifying and recleaning alfalfa

and hulled sweet clover 50c per bu. Cleaning and searifying unhulled sweet

Plus actual time required for hulling at \$1.25 per hour (All charges are based upon the weight of seed when

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Send us a sample of your seed. Let your Farm Bureau serve you.



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sign "Farm Bureau members vote

non-members and those who wish to

transportation director of the Ameri-

can Farm Bureau Federation, said:

"The railroads have drawn a clear

They have thrown down the

garding various matters.

line.

RURAL INTEREST IN CONGRESSIONAL **ACTIVITIES SHOWN**

Edwy Reid, Washington Rep. of A. F. B. F., Discusses Law-Making

UNITED FRONT ESSENTIAL

Unless Farmers Speak as One Their Chances for Help Are Slim

in the territory surrounding Chicago, terest rates, new postal rates, dyewere given an idea of what the ing of unadaptable foreign field farmer wants in national legislation seed so that the farmer may know when a talk by E. B. Reid, acting that it is not fit to sow, reduction in F. B. F., was broadcast from Radio and other subjects. Station WGN a few days ago.

the last few years. More than 25 bills the next session. in which the American Farm Bureau Federation has been very much interested have been passed in Congress since the Federation was organized a few years ago. Prior to that the farmer's interest in legislation was not nearly so broad nor was he so successful in presenting his views to Congress and getting it to enact the legislation in which he is



Edwy B. Reid, Washington Representative

American Farm Bureau Fed. agricultural prices a few years ago meet the demand, and the consequent heavy losses to farmers, they had the sympathetic ear of everybody. It was much easier to shape legislation then than line with its policy of furnishing only ier to shape legislation then than line with its policy of furnishing only ier to shape legislation then than line with its policy of furnishing only ier to shape legislation then than line with its policy of furnishing only ier to shape legislation then than line with its policy of furnishing only ier to shape legislation then than line with its policy of furnishing only its continue to give to you, our patrons, not alone 100 per cent service, gardens had no weeds, and food if the continue to give to you, our patrons, not alone 100 per cent service, gardens had no weeds, and food if the continue to give, and to fine the definance of the continue to give, and to fine the definance of the continue to give, and to fine the definance of the continue to give, and to fine the definance of the continue to give, and to fine the definance of the continue to give to you, our patrons, not alone 100 per cent service, gardens had no weeds, and food if the continue to give, and to fine the definance of the continue to give to you, our patrons, not alone 100 per cent service, gardens had no weeds, and food if the continue to give to you, our patrons, not alone 100 per cent service, gardens had no weeds, and food if the continue to give to you, our patrons, not alone 100 per cent service, gardens had no weeds, and food if the continue to give to you, our patrons, not alone 100 per cent service. We are asking you, as patrons, for grew ready cooked, in which its policy of furnishing only its continue to give to you, our patrons, not alone 100 per cent service. ier to shape legislation then than known-origin and adapted seeds. now. However, the farmers maintain that even during the period of depression there was relatively little legislation passed which could be classified as class legislation. As a matter of fact, the American Farm Bureau Federation and the National Grange, the two outstanding farm organizations in the coun- Farmers in Near-by Counties try, have asked for little if any legislation which could be called strictly class legislation, from the standpoint of taking away advantages of one class and giving it to another through legislative action.

Speak Emphatically utterly lost in Washington without Bureau does not have any storage an organized voice.

These organizations are far-flung at Jackson. Thus the farmer speaks through his in order to obtain some of it. representative and seeks thus to create a single, clear cut impression and demand, rather than a babble of confusion. To be sure farmers are human just like any other mortals, They have their differences of opinlegislation.

Must Unify Efforts portant agricultural bills and slips a usual.

knife into the really important agri cultural measures in which the farmers are interested.

"The American Farm Bureau Federation is taking a questionnaire among its state members for the purpose of checking up on the bills which they have favored and which have not yet been passed, and also the new issues which are coming up in Congress this next session. The returns will not be given out until Congress convenes. Much interest is shown in the results of this questionnaire, for it takes up questions of far-reaching importance such as the revision of our tax law, co-oper ative marketing legislation, government export corporation for agricultural products, the disposition of the Muscle Shoals hydro-electric power and nitrate plants, standard containers for fruits and vegetables, Chicago folks, as well as farmers truth-in-fabric laws, control of in-

Those listening in heard Mr. Reid Bureau Federation is sounding out displays shown in the Grange Hall the sentiment of the State Farm Bu- two booths Hlustrated the many ben-"Many city people marvel at the reau regarding what they consider efits of the Farm Bureau. There interest in legislation displayed by the relative importance of these bills were exhibited farmer's account farmers and their organizations in from the standpoint of legislation in books, a farm library, foods, a large

RELIABLE SUPPLY OF SEED CORN IS **GOAL OF BARNUM**

Farm Bureau Man Seeks to Insure Adapted Seed For Michigan

Carl F. Barnum, manager of the Michigan Farm Bureau Seed Serv- devoted to their arrangement and given. ce, is spending a few days in Nebraska investigating satisfactory Message From Nat'l seed corn connections. Mr. Barnum hopes to be able to make arrange ments so that Michigan farmers, through their Farm Bureau, can se- fice on wheels. Do you realize that gauntlet to agriculture. They have cure their seed from the same Ne. the R. F. D. patrons are really get-said that 'we are not making as

ka seed corn is superior to that from you do not get but one delivery each is the old game of making the farmany other seed corn producing re- day, yet at your door you can trans- mer pay the bill." gions, because its low moisture con- act any business that can be done at tent reduces spoilage loss to a minimum and results in a high percent- ler must go to the Post Office, or to was significant that the railroads age of germination. The low moisture content of Nebraska seed corn may desire in the postal field. is due to the fact that it is grown under semi-arid conditions. This rend-

Service always favors the planting of home-grown seed when the supply is home-grown seed when the supply is tors, most of them, in the final analyadequate. However, it frequently occurs that there is a shortage of Mich- ing of your Rural Mail Service if they VALUE OF DIFFICULTIES igan grown seed corn, and seed must are to perform their part efficiently. During the severe depresssion in be imported from other states to We, as employes in that service, want

JACKSON TO HAVE 4TH CAR PYROTO

Can Get Some of This Cheap Explosive

activity of the Jackson County Farm patron as to ways and means by skillful!—Henry Van Dyke Bureau, another car of Pyrotol will which the R. F. D. Service can be "Organized agriculture has spok- be delivered to Jackson about Octo- made better. In return, we want the en with considerable emphasis and ber 15th. Jackson county farmers support of you and your Organizawith notable results within the last have already contracted for a large tion, in our efforts to prevent the have already contracted for a large few years. It has proved to the farmers that it is just as necessary for them to organize to protect their interests in this organized world as it is for the laboring man or for the business man. The laborer has his Federation of Labor, the business man his Chamber of Commerce, and the professional man his organization. In fact, the farmers would be utterly lost in Washington without space.

"A few years ago, when the American Farm Bureau Federation Agricultural Agent, says that any opened its Washington office, there farmer living outside of Jackson Jackson, various departments of the were 185 organizations of one kind county and desiring to have some of American Farm Bureau Federation or another in Washington, all main- this explosive reserved should no- are busy securing, analyzing and artained for the purpose of presenting tify his County Agricultural Agent, ranging the data which will be pretheir views to Congress, or to the or in counties having no agent, sented at later hearings in rebuttal various administrative departments, should order direct from Mr. Decker to the railroads' demand for an in-

and are ably managed by high sal- This is the fourth carload of war American Farm Bureau Federation aried individuals, some of them hav- salvage explosive which has been the testimony of the State Farm Buing a membership as large as the shipped into Jackson county within reaus. In this capacity he repre-American Farm Bureau Federation. the last two years. There have been sents the Michigan State Farm Bu-In fact, some groups (if laborers are a number of instances where far- reau which will assist him through included) would far outstrip it. mers have driven 60 miles or more its transpartation department.

Michigan, with a prospective pro- presenting evidence for this case. ion, and therein lies the opportunity duction of 954,000 tons of beets, One of the unique plans put forso often taken advantage of by oth- holds second place this year, accord- ward by one of the carriers as a cure er interests to block agricultural ing to a statement issued by Verne for their financial ills was the so-H. Church, U. S. Agricultural Statis- called Potter plan. This plan, pretician and L. Whitney Watkins, Com- sented by H. E. Byram, one of the Mich. Livestock Exch. "When the farmers have differ- missioner of Agriculture. Colorado receivers of the Chicago, Milwaukee ent views and their organizations outranks it with 1,230,000 tons, and St. Paul Railroad, was first they wish, it gives the side-stepping Nebraska, 656,000; California, 531,- Potter of the Interstate Commerce Congressman a beautiful opportuni- 000; Idaho, 331,000; Ohio, 322,000 Commission, and provides for a ty to sit back in his chair, smile and Wisconsin, 117,000. The total per cent increase in rates, the revesweetly and tell them that when the for the United States, according to nue from which is to be pooled and farmers have made up their minds the September estimate, is 6,109,000 distributed among the roads receivas to just what they wish, he will be tons of beets and a prospective yield ing the least return upon their indelighted to comply with it. This of 792,000 tons of sugar. The season vestment. It is probable that this same type of Congressman also has been generally favorable for the plan will be much in evidence in fufinds a very handy alibi, from the crop in Michigan, this year, and ture hearings farmer's standpoint, when he votes most fields are in a thrifty condition. for what they consider the unim- Diseases are less prevalent than

Barry County Farm Bureau Makes Educational Exhibit



the exhibit put on by the Barry might become acquainted with the the saving in waste," Washington representative of the A. the issuance of tax-exempt securities County Farm Bureau at the County Fair held at Hastings, Sept. 1st to Bureau and know where to secure "Right now the American Farm 5th. Among the many outstanding future information and aid. show case containing more than 7 different kinds of feeds for cattle

> On a large map of Barry county al members of cow testing associations were indicated by white ribbons running from the location of their farms on the map to their names laced on a white card board at the Also, various feeds and grains production were shown. A balanced campaign were included as a part ration for a 1200 pound cow was of the exhibit for the information of included along with this exhibit.

and many other features.

The two Barry County Farm Bu-know more about the Bureau's reau booths were more in the nature principles, plans and prgram. Quite of an educational exhibit, rather a little interest was shown in these than a show display. Much time was charts and many explanations were

Sec'y Rural Carriers

(Continued from page one) ting better service than are their much as we should and so we will Experience has shown that Nebras- relatives who live in the cities? While make the farmer pay us more'. It

Taken, all in all, it seems very presentation to show that agriculplain to me that the R. F. D. Service ture was prosperous. It would seem has been the greatest single factor in that the railroads fully realize they the last quarter century in the im- are only justified to a blanket raise, ing of your Rural Mail Service if they are to perform their part efficiently. We, as employes in that service, want it to continue to grow, and to improve; we want to give to you, our came direction of prove; we want to give to you, our came direction of place and be-We are asking you, as patrons, for grew ready cooked, in which clothes Rivers, Mich. suggestions which might improve the service. Our motto is, "SERVICE easy as the advertisements describe with A SMILE". There may be some carriers who are not render-hard to find, and rules had no ex
SEROPSHIRE RAMS—ONE 2 YEAR old Wardwell stock ram. Also yearlings and lambs and a few ewes. Right good sheep at right prices. D. L. Chapman are not render-hard to find, and rules had no ex
SON, S. Rockwood, Mich. 10-8-25 ing the service that you feel that you ceptions, and things never went; have a right to expect, and, on the wrong, would be a much easier place other hand there are doubtless to live in. But for purposes of trainpatrons who are not giving the co-op- ing and development it would be eration that they are expected to give worth nothing at all. It is the reby the P. O. Dep't, and, possibly you sistance that puts us on our mettle, lgan are expecting your carrier to klo it is the conquest of the reluctant things that he is not allowed to do. stuff that educates the worker. I lease build

It will be a pleasure to the writer wish you enough difficulties to keep Jackson, Sept. 24.—Through the to receive suggestions from any you well and make you strong and

L. G. BLACKMAN, Sec'y. Shipping Ass'n!

F. Bureau Speaks for Agr'l at Big Hearings

crease. He will co-ordinate for the

The Michigan State Farm Bureau is represented in this case by A. P. Mills, traffic manager of the State Farm Bureau, and by D. F. Murphy, SUGAR BEET TONNAGE traffic expert employed by the Farm Bureau to assist in assembling and

Play Old Game As the first session of the hearing was adjourned, O. W. Sandberg.

preparation of wool for market on the part of farmers of this country would bring them thousands of dollars of additional revenue every year. This is the conclusion of J. F. Walk-

TAKE CARE OF WOOL

Better care in the production and

er of the wool marketing depart ment of the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation, who has just completed a trip of investigation through a large number of woolen mills in the eastern part of the United States.

"Sorters at mills are paid on an average of about a cent a pound more for handling wool produced in this country than shey are for sorting those from Australia or South America." says Mr. Walker. "On these im ported wools, practically all of the poor quality wool and foreign matter is eliminated before it is offered for sale. One large mill visited has ceased to buy Ohio wool and is buy-Above is a view of a portion of presentation, so that the farmers ing all imported wool because of

Thompson Advocates In front of one of the booths was Volunteer Campaigns placed a large ballot box with the

sign "Farm Bureau members vote here." Beside the box were placed Illinois Agricultural Association ballots upon which many things of says, "Too much emphasis cannot interest to the farmer were printed be put on organization as the fiwith a space for remarks, name, nances of the Farm Bureau must address, township and section. This come through memberships. I beinformation will give the Barry lieve in the volunteer solicitor plan. County Farm Bureau valuable help It is not asking too much of our in planning its program of service. membership to go out and do this It will know what the farmers wish thing for nothing. If we are going stressed and what action to take re- to have organized agriculture in the United States, it will be from The charts used in the recent the personal sacrifice of a lot of peo suitable for obtaining the best milk Farm Bureau voluntary membership ple who believe in organized agriculture.

BUSINESS NEWS

LIVE STOCK

FOR SALE—REGISTERED HOI ein bull calf, six months old. We arked and developed. Sire from Por ac State Hord. Calf first prize winn adillac Fair. Writle for pedigree. I England, R. 3, Cadillac. 9-24-Other officials at the Farm Bureau FOR SALE-FOUR GRADE BROW

Swiss heifers with calf to a p Brown Swiss bull. T-B tested take good bankable note. R. M. Sunfield, Mich.

LARGE TYPE POLAND CHINA BOAR nigs. April farrow. Clansman, Orange, Alaska breeding. Grand individuals. C. E. George, Union City, Mich. 9-24-b

MISCELLANEOUS

FOR SALE—162 ACRES, HOUSE modern, barn nearly new, extra good outdings, fences, water and land. Terms, time. Owner, Floyd Love, Howell, Michagan. 10-10-25

wanted Poultry Farm the sease with option to buy. Must have buildings for not less than one thousand birds. House and poultry buildings must be in good repair. Small acreage desirable. Give full details including location, rental price, etc. Address Box M., Farm Bureau News, Lansing, Mich. 10-8-25 WANTED POULTRY FARM-WILI

IT PAYS TO BUY PURE BRED SHEEP OF PARSONS The Sheepman of the East.

You all know how things have worked since the local co-op livestock shippers came in. The local treet, 2610 Riopelle street, 2610 Riopelle stock buyers took on a new lease Detroit, Sept. 24, 1925:

your business. Let your co-op die out and see last week. what happens. Conditions would Buying is very dull, which is bring-

the old basis. You believe in the co-op idea, now carry it one step farther. medium size. Buyers are only taking See that your stock is sent to the this grade of hens at much lower co-operative commission houses prices.

at Detroit and East Buffalo. These firms have grown rap- hens is starting with a decline of idly in popular favor and in vol- from 2 to 3 cents per pound.

Furthermore, your stock is handled at actual cost. You pay the regular commission to the the regular commission to the Geese, old Geese, old Ducks, spring, white, 5 lbs, to you as a patronage dividend.

Next time ship to the Ducks, colored and small ... to you as a patronage dividend. Next time, ship to the-

at Detroit cannot decide themselves on what Utah reports a crop of 928,000 tons; conceived by former Commissioner Prod. Co-op. Com. Ass'n at East Buffalo

Detroit Poultry Market

As given by Mich. Farm Bureau Detroit Poultry Market heavily sup-

nearer the market price to get plied with poultry as receipts are heavy with a large carry-over from

probably soon be back on about the old basis. Hens are very poor quality and

The heavy movement of Leghorn

lens, Leghorn

Poultry Shippers

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Michigan Farm Bureau Seed Service Lansing, Michigan

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