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M. B. McPherson is president of the state farm

Michigan Elevator Exchange Has Great Bean Sales Story

100 ELEVATOR ASS'NS OPERATE SALES OFFICE, GREAT TERMINAL WAREHOUSE AND SELL THEIR BEANS UNDER BRAND

Working For Growers' Interests, Exchange Has Good Effect on Market; Its Storage, Drying and Picking Plant is of Great Value to Growers

In this edition of the News, we are going to tell our readers about the great work being done in handling and marketing Michigan beans by the co-operative Michigan Elevator Exchange system of 100 local elevators, and their storage warehouse, picking and conditioning plant at Port Huron.

A remarkable service is being given Michigan bean growers, and it has been built by the co-operators among them. Thousands of farmers who use it will enjoy knowing more about it; thousands of bean growers who don't know about it, will learn of the service to be had.

Complete Picture of a Big Operation

The editor of the News got a complete picture and a better appreciation of what the Elevator Exchange is doing for terms as president. He is known Michigan bean growers through a thorough inspection of the Exchange and its Port Huron plant, by studying the operations and taking pictures of them, and now we're ready, with Mr. Noon is the State organization's a series of articles and pictures in this edition of the News, to have our readers see what we saw at Lansing and Port Huron.

This article will be a foundation for the rest, by describing NEW INFORMATION the general structure of the Elevator Exchange, what it is, how it works and what it does. Other articles will describe the Port Huron plant, the giant machines there that clean 4,000 hundred pound bags of beans in 14 hours, the dryer that will dry 3½ cars of 22% moisture beans in 24 hours, mechanical pickers that pick 8 cars of beans in 24 hours, elec- Battle Creek Seed House And progress in general. tric loaders that have carried 400 bags of beans to the car on track in 15 minutes, the power unloader for bulk beans which unloads 40,000 lbs. of beans in one hour. These and many other amazing Michelex plant items are to be described in this edition of the News. Now, let's look at the Michigan Elevator Exchange:

A thriving, co-operative grain and bean marketing exchange, owned and controlled by 25,000 Michigan farmers. It sells for more than 100 Michigan co-operative elevators. Its sales office and headquarters is at 221 N. Cedar street, Lansing.

The Lansing office is manned by three salesmen: L. E. Osmer, grain salesman and general manager; C S. Benton, bean salesman, Neil Bass. assistant to both. The office is the nerve center of the sales from the 100 elevators to the markets of the world. It is connected with terminal markets and local elevators by telegraph, telephone and, of course by mail. It has its own branch telegraph offices and telephone switch-

\$8,000,000 in 1925

The Exchange's total grain and pean sales for 1925 were more thin been handled for members at a net Hunt, Eaton Rapids and Hamlin; certain food products. profit over and above all expenses of Mrs. W. L. Huber, delegate-at-large. one-half of one per cent, which profit has been returned to the stock-

At all times the Exchange guarantees to its elevator members,-This guarantee is one of the mos appreciated of the Exchange service es, especially during periods of fall ing markets. No member has ever lost a cent through the Exchange. cept his order, or through failure of a buyer.

The Exchange spends one-tenth of its net profit each year to advertise Michigan grown grain and beans to the rest of the country.

Informs Its Members The Exchange honestly attempts to interpret to its member elevators, through its constant touch with all sections of the United States, the consumer demand for Michigan

grain and beans. By operating the large Michelex Elevator and Warehouse Company terminal bean elevator at Port Hu ron, the Exchange is in a position t dry and condition wet or off-grade beans, to provide bean storage fo elevators and farmers, and to pack for the buying trade Michigan bean under its own trade marked brands of Michelex, Bunker Hill and St. Clair for choice hand-picked, fancy screen, and choice screen.

For Michigan All the Time The Exchange provides a direc channel to the consumer for Mich (Continued on page three)

VICE-PRESIDENT



Two years of splendid service to the State Farm Bureau and a steady ganization mark Mr. Noon's two throughout the state and is much sought as a Farm Bureau speaker for both rural and city meetings. vice-president for 1926.

SEED SHIPMENT

Food Firm Mgr. Make Statements

The Farm Bureau News is now ad-members," Mr. Wilson said. Charlotte, Feb. 8 .- E. P. Reynolds of Walton township has been vised by the H. C. King & Sons, Inc., The second address on the ban- mittees in regard to measures in elected president of the Eaton Coun- seed firm at Battle Creek, Michigan, quet program was given by Mrs. which the farmers were interested. ty Farm Bureau. Grover Garn of that that firm has not received any Chas. Sewell, chairman of the home ty Farm Bureau. Grover Garn of shipments of French red clover seed and community work of the Indiana State Senate and for Community work of the Indiana State Senate and for Community work of the State Senate and for Community work of the Indiana State Senate and for Community work of the Indiana State Senate and for Community work of the Indiana State Senate and for Community work of the Indiana State Senate and State Senate an and L. C. Kline of Chester secretary- foreign seed.

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PUBLIC ADVANCE IS THE PROGRAM **BEFORE BUREAU**

Lucius Wilson Says Bureau Builds For Today and Tomorrow

MRS. SEWELL IS HEARD

On the Subject, Why I Am Glad I Married a

Farmer

"The success of farmers' move ients depends upon the honesty, in dustry, intelligence and self-sacrifice of the farmers themselves .- and these things cannot be bought; they come from within ourselves," said Mr. Lucius E. Wilson to the 724 Farm Bureau members at the Farm Bureau banquet at the Union Memor ial building Thursday evening, Feb. 4, in tracing the history of the Farm Bureau movement to the present great program, and taking a look into the future.

The Farm Bureau first interest ed itself in production problems, continued Mr. Wilson;" later it took up co-operative marketing and today Has Long Been Prominent In we have a Farm Bureau movemen that is interested in many things

"You stand here today confronted with the tremendous fact that third step, infinitely more complex and more important than either of

ry church, the country school, the the board of director farm home, selective production, colitude of the farmer toward public ganized movements, not merely

d in the Jan. 8 and 22nd issues of from such movements as co-operathe Michigan Farm Bureau News on tive marketing. You cannot earry Wayne.

Sewell chose as her topic, Why I gress, but has refused to consider reasurer.

On the other hand, King & Sons Am Glad I Married a Farmer. Her address was filled with sound philoso-would make it necessary for him to be address was filled with sound philoso-would make it necessary for him to be address was filled with sound philoso-would make it necessary for him to be address was filled with sound philoso-would make it necessary for him to be address was filled with sound philoso-would make it necessary for him to be address was filled with sound philoso-would make it necessary for him to be address was filled with sound philoso-would make it necessary for him to be address was filled with sound philoso-would make it necessary for him to be address was filled with sound philoso-would make it necessary for him to be address was filled with sound philoso-would make it necessary for him to be address was filled with sound philoso-would make it necessary for him to be address was filled with sound philoso-would make it necessary for him to be address was filled with sound philoso-would make it necessary for him to be address was filled with sound philoso-would make it necessary for him to be address was filled with sound philoso-would make it necessary for him to be address was filled with sound philoso-would make it necessary for him to be address. their city cousins. However, she ad-

NEW PRESIDENT



THROUGHOUT STATE

Farm Bureau And Public Service

Melville B. McPherson of Lowell, the former steps, must be taken. The newly-elected president of the Mich adoption of a broad program of hu- igan State Farm Bureau, is well What must this broad program in of his long years of service in Michiclude? It must focus farm thinking gan farm organizations and loca on the eight great problems of farm and state taxation matters. He as sumes his new duties with two 'These eight problems are with years' experience as vice president of eference to the future of the coun- the organization and long service of

perative marketing, the agricultur- rare citizens who is both an actual al fair, rural recreation and the at- dirt farmer and a power in many o "The farmers need today more throughout the state. He is presisound vocational thinking than any dent of the Kent County Farm Bu other group. Some organized group reau, chairman of the Kent County In connection with articles publish-

importations of French red clover through the economic program On many occasions Mr. McPherson seed and the points in the United which the future demands, unless has appeared before the State Board States to which such importations of you can train the farmer to stick by of Equalization in behalf of lower French seed were reported for ship- his organization when it loses mon- valuations for the rural districts and nent, the News was advised that 65 ey as well as when it makes monbags of French clover seed were des- ey. You must build an appeal to in huge savings for Michigan farm tined for shipment to Battle Creek, the citizenship in men. An organ-ers. Though never a member of the Michigan, the early part of January, ization lives in the hearts of its State Legislature, he has testified frequently before legislative com

Jackson, representing Sunfield and France on or about January 11. questionably true that it was her Bureau movement. The Farm Bu-Roxand twps.; S. R. Cook, Oneida 1926, a shipment of 65 bags of wonderful personality and the fact reau constitution forbids any official

Farm Bureau News classified ad

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724 ATTEND BANQUET AND PARTY Complete Report of Meeting is Given in This Edition of the News; Ten Members of the Board of Directors Are Re-Elected; Fred Harger is New Member Upwards of 1,000 delegates and Farm Bureau member visitors attended the eighth annual meeting of the State Farm Bureau at State College Feb. 4-5. It was the greatest annual meeting the organization has ever had, and was by far the

en in full, as is the complete text of the resolutions adopted. 600 At Daily Sessions The/meeting was a good one. Room 402, Agr'l hall, seats 600, and it was filled to capacity. Sec'y Brody and other Farm Bureau officers in their annual reports and in their talks made every effort to give the delegates a complete and accurate picture of the condition of the State Farm Bureau

Thursday night 724 members attended the first State Farm

Burzau banquet and old time party at the Union Memorial

building. More than 100 others sought tickets, but the Union

building was unable to accommodate any more for the ban-

guet. Later many of these folks came in for the Farm Bu-

reau's old time party. The banquet program, party and many

other features of the annual meeting are described elsewhere

in this edition of the News. Mr. Brody's annual report is giv-

ABOUT 1,000 MEMBERS AT EIGHTH AND

largest group meeting held during Farmers' Week.

GREATEST OF OUR ANNUAL MEETINGS;

and the Farm Bureau movement in Michigan. Mr. Brody's report should be read for the Farm Bureau's part in the Michigan Zone freight rate victory, the \$40,000 man advance is the immediate need. known to Michigan people because saved hay shippers in 1925, and our action in other great rate cases now pending; also, for the Farm Bureau's part in enacting the gasoline tax and other important farm legislation; for details of the Farm Bureau District Manager plan, the members' volunteer membership workers' campaign, and many other items.

Bureau Financially Strong and Gaining

The State Farm Bureau's financial report shows the organization to be in good condition and gaining. As reported in the last edition of the News, the Farm Bureau in 1925 did a business of about \$3,000,000, with net earnings thereon above all expenses of about \$43,000, of which \$15,074 was returned and I am persuaded this must be Board of Supervisors and president to farmers and their co-operative ass'ns as patronage the Farm Bureau-must educate of the Michigan Tax Conference, dividends. The State Farm Bureau's net worth at the close of 1925 was given as \$138,373.97, an increase of \$28,534.61 during the past year.

Printed reports embodying the annual reports of the Secretary, the business departments and other Farm Bureau services and the complete financial report were given all delegates and members at the meeting. A copy of the Eighth Annual Report will be mailed any member on request. The Secretary's report is published in this edition of the News. Other reports will be published later.

President Sam H. Thompson of the American Farm Bureau declared the Michigan State Farm Bureau headquarters, its Seed and Supply Services and other departments "an inspiration" to him, in opening the splendid address he made to the delegates Thursday afternoon on Equality for Agriculture.

Mr Thompson delivered the only address on the Farm Bureau business program. He spent several hours inspecting State Farm Bureau headquarters and attended the banquet Thursday evening. His address is summarized in another part of the News.

Election of Officers

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Election of the 11 directors took
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full financial return for all grain or beans sold through the Exchange. Members and Families Served in Many Ways

through failure of the buyer to ac- Accomplishments Include Gasoline Tax and Many Legislative Gains; Zone Rate Case and Other Freight Rate Victories; New Membership Plan Succeeds

> By CLARK L. BRODY Sec'y-Mgr. of the Michigan State Farm Bureau

Annual Report of the Secretary-Manager, presented to delegates to the Eighth Annual Meeting of the Michigan State Farm Bureau at Michigan State College, February 4th, 1926.

Achievement of a high degree and great magnitude, whether in the life of nations, organizations, or individuals, is always preceded by years, decades or ages of development. So the twelve months that have just been added to the life of our Michigan State Farm Bureau have carried our great organization a step forward, and have written another of the early chapters of Farm Bureau existence. With this is coming, naturally, that poise and stability that always accompanies progress with a constructive program.

No other year in Farm Bureau existence has been more fruitful in developing in our departments, county and local organizations, and in the members themselves the ability to intelligently analyze the problems of the farmer and his organization. The activities of the Farm Bureau, from the member through the county and state organizations to our American Farm Bureau Federation, are now prompted by sound and seasoned judgment, to a degree that was an impossibility in the earlier days of the Farm Bureau,

A review of the events contributing to this healthy growth and de-

First-a brief summary of the work of the ten departments and the subsidiary corporations of the Michigan State Farm Bureau during

Second-an explanation to clarify new and fundamental Farm Bureau policies, developments and needs having to do with the general structure and heart of the organization as a whole. It will be our purpose to anticipate the future as well as review the past and

observe the present. More detailed departmental records will be found on the pages following the Secretary-Manager's report.

Michigan Farm Bureau Seed Serdice The work of the Michigan Farm Bureau Seed Service will unquestionably rank with the outstanding agricultural accomplishments of the Twentieth Century. To the Michigan State Farm Bureau and the Michigan State College is due the credit for originating and developing the new ideal of reliable, climatically adapted farm seeds. This great, new principle of truth-in-seeds is raising the whole plane of thinking and operation in the seed trade. The Michigan Farm Bureau Seed Service has set a pace that is giving the far ner a service that is affecting the very wellsprings of farm welfare.

During the past year the Farm Bureau Seed Service has re-established itself on its own financial basis and reduced its overhead to the lowest point attained since its inception. It has ha died enough alfalfa in Michigan in the past twelve months to plant 81,000 acres, or 8,000 acres more than the total in the state when the Service was es-

The organization is maintaining the most helpful relations with the Michigan Crop Improvement Association and is mark ting surplus certified seed grains through a number of successful limited pools. Connections have been established in producing areas that assure Michigan farmers of adequate supplies of best quality ansilage corn. Warehouse accommodations to customers at such points as Traverse City, Ludington, Scottville and Kalamazoo are being ranged. This constitutes quite an advanced step in service to Michier farmers.

The Seed Service is also supplying Ohio farmers w a their alfalfa

and clover seed requirements. The Farm Bureau Seed Service is a technical and complicated business to handle, but it has now aged sufficiently so that it has been able to specially train its own men for its exacting duties. Its manager, C. F. Barnum, has come up through the various activities from the bottom, having been with the institution almost from its inception six years ago.

This great work inaugurated in Michigan has now spread over almost the entire northern United States, and countless thousands of farmers and their families are benefiting from the use of Farm Bureau, guaranteed, northern origin, true-to-name seed that grows, endures, and produces a profitable crop.

Michigan Farm Bureau Supply Service The Michigan Farm Bureau Supply Service is an outgrowth of the earliest efforts of the Michigan State Farm Bureau to serve its members. The membership six years ago was probably sold to the farmer on the advantages of being able to purchase his supplies in large

volume, more than any other benefit except, possibly, legislation. The first attempts of the Michigan State Farm Bureau in large quantity purchases were made with cottonseed meal, fertilizer and coal. These were to a considerable extent unsatisfactory, and at times resulted in complications that seriously threatened the existence of the Farm Bureau. The lessons taught by these early experiences and the recovery from them, however, have made possible this substantial and

serviceable branch of Farm Bureau service as it exists today. In the beginning almost no large business firms would deal with the organization, but now the business of the Farm Bureau Supply Service is sought by the best and largest business institutions of the country. The four principal commodities handled are feeds, fertil-

izer, twine and coal. The Milkmaker Open Formula Dairy Feed is one of the leading accomplishments. "Truth in Feeds" is just as essential to the farmer's welfare as "Truth in Seeds" or "Truth in Fabrics," and Milkmaker

has made this principle a reality. The Supply Service has a fertilizer connection with one of the highest grade and largest firms in the country. The factory from which Farm Bureau fertilizer now comes is probably the best equipped and

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Farm Bureau Folks Have Great Time at Banquet

Dance and Comradeship Are Enjoyed

The 724 diners were served so jigged to his own music. exactly at 6 o'clock came the food. York and many from Michigan listen- with the public in general. piping hot, each course right on time. ers in. seated in adjoining rooms.

gram was turnished by the Brody schottisches, quadrilles, the rye family orchestra, consisting of Mrs. waltz, the Sicilian circle, circle two maintenance of the membership-They have been playing together for steps; and several fox trots were Bureau. several years and played a number of dropped in for the special attention advanced compositions which excit- of the youngsters. "Jep" had an ex- ably the most important single fac-Vice-President M. B. McPherson was Colonel Spencer of Charlotte.

WKAR broadcasted Mr. Wilson's ad- and forty years ago were halled with Farm Bureau.

A Splendid Repast, Address, dress in the period of 7:20 to 8:15 dress in the period of 7:20 to 8:15
p. m., and it was picked up throughout the state. Summaries of these addresses are given elsewhere in the dichigan State Farm Bureau best of all, you will see by the report the greatest definite services the best of all, you will see by the report elsewhere that the work is accomplished.

The Farm Bureau News is one of the services the gan State Farm Bureau Board of Disport elsewhere that the work is accomplished.

"Never have we seen a big crowd tables and chairs were removed, and sential to the functioning of a large licity Department have been brought pants in the present nation-wide of folks have a better time than we on came "Jep" Bisbee, Henry Ford's have had tonight," was heard again champion old time fiddler and his orand again after the State Farm Bu- chestra for the play time of the eve- nervous system is to the human reau's first banquet and old time par- ning. "Jep" is 84 years of age, and body. reau's first banquel and old time parning. "Jep" is 84 years of age, and bony.

Legislative service and protection at the big Chicago hearing last Ocis another indispensable benefit the toper Provident Henry Curis of the

ing management is to be congratulat- "in" on the State Farm Bureau's first efforts to secure relief for the farmed on its service. The Farm Bureau party. Telegrams came from every- er along lines of legislation, taxa folks were there at 5:45 p. m. In 12 where, points as far away as Chat-tion, transportation, and for main-

A score or more of student waiters It was an evening for the oldsters handled this detail with dispatch. The and the reveled in it. The first square ballroom seated 560; others were dance was stepped off by 16 sets, the next by 32 full sets and so on During the banquet a musical pro- throughout the evening. There were Brody and the six Brody children. step. old time waltzes, regular two the very staff of life of the Farm

acclaim, "Jep" obliged several times Marlette, and Mr. Townsend. the variations.'

ing the famous Money Musk, "with make the banquet because the Union the past year, has meant at least \$1, year is due in a large measure to strengthened correspondingly.

lowske of Washington, G. F. Ottmar the old time party. Everyone had a European Corn Borer, the most de- Assistant Treasurer H. E. Hill. The ship campaign which the County of St. Johns, R. 4, James Sullivan of fine time.

Secretary Brody Reports 1925 Farm Bureau Work

most modern fertilizer plant in the country and its entire output is distributed through co-operative channels: Namely, the State Farm Bureau Service organizations of Ohio, Indiana, and Michigan. The Supply Service has become the largest volume purchaser of

For the first time in the history of the work, a satisfactory and probably permanent coal connection has been established for the hundreds of cars handled by the Service. The mine interests of this company are so extensive that it can furnish the Supply Service with any grade and variety of bituminous coal demanded. Like our fertilizer connection this company is catering entirely to the co-operatives and its entire output is being distributed through co-operative

The total business of 1925 shows an increase of 10% above that of 1924, with very substantial net earnings for the year, after having returned more than \$15,000 to the local co-operative organizations in the form of patronage dividends. Under the efficient and careful management of L. A. Thomas during the past two years, the Supply Service has returned a total dividend of \$23,973 to the farmer and his local co-operative association. It has also accumulated a net earning that has given the Farm Bureau Supply Service a standing in the business world that has-made possible the many desirable connections mentioned above, that were an impossibility in the early stages of its existence

Michigan Farm Bureau Wool Pool The 1925 Wool Pool was placed under the supervision of Organization Manager Alfred Bentall. Since co-operating with the Ohio Wool Growers' Association for the sale of our wool it has not been necessary to employ a technically trained wool man, the work being principally

that of assembling and shipping. Wools were admitted to the pool only on five-year pooling contracts with the growers. The total pooling charges were 3 cents per pound for Farm Bureau members and 3% cents for non-Farm Bureau members. The extra non-member charge was levied to compensate the Michigan State Farm Bureau for field organization and other services required by the pool. The wool pool was about fifty per cent larger than in 1924 and the returns, with but very few ex-

ceptions, were very satisfactory. Many letters sent in by growers who had pooled showed receipts from 2c to 10c per pound more than local offerings.

As the active season of the Wool Pool comes just at the close of the rush period in the work of the Seed Service, the 1926 pool has been placed under the supervision of C. F. Barnum, manager of the Farm Bureau Seed Service. This will enable the Seed Service to employ some of its men to very good advantage during a portion of its slack period, thus effecting economies for both the Seed Service and Wool

Out of the vicissitudes of the early wool pools is developing a most valuable wool marketing service, saving Michigan farmers many thousands of dollars annually.

Farm Bureau Poultry Exchange

The Farm Bureau Poultry Exchange has continued its operations at 2610 Riopelle Street, Detroit, on about the same scale of operations as in 1924. Poultry, veal, eggs, and rabbits are the commodities handled. Owing largely to the European Fowl Plague during the early months of last year, the volume of business for 1925 remained about the same as 1924. Last fall dressing operations were started, which have aided materially in disposing of some grades of poultry at certain periods of low demand for live fowls.

Judging from the letters that come to the office and the comment heard about the state, the service is proving almost universally satisfactory, often netting the shipper several dollars per crate more than offerings of local buyers. Some poultry from Kentucky, Tennessee, Missouri and Indiana, and large quantities of dressed rabbits from Missouri, are handled during the early months of each year in order to meet the overhead expenses of the Exchange when Michigan poultry is not coming to market. Owing to the careful supervision of its manager, Orlo Steiger, during the past two years the Farm Bureau Poultry Exchange has become more than self-supporting, and is gradually accumulating sufficient funds for necessary operating capital.

Fabric Departmen The Farm Bureau Fabric Department originated in connection with the 1920 wool pool, and like most other Farm Bureau efforts, has requied a considerable accumulation of experience to make it a success. However, under the management of F. L. Kelner, for the past two years this department has become one of the most efficient and best

established lines of Farm Bureau service. Only virgin wool fabrics are handled, the line comprising suitings, overcoat material, blankets and men's underwear. The department is enjoying a large and growing trade from the people of Lansing and

adjoining towns and territory, The securing of the stock at opportune times before the buying season opens has contributed much to the success and service of the de-

The Fabric Department helps materially in lowering the overhead cost of the Farm Bureau building, contributing \$100 per month, the amount of rent charged to the department.

Publicity Department At 9:20 the ballroom was cleared, its membership. This is just as es-

Activities most vital to the existence of the Farm Bureau and even the farmer himself would not be possible without an efficiently functioning department of information.

This is particularly true with the

The Farm Bureau News was prob-

tween its state administration and provements in the internal operating the Michigan State Farm Bureau efficiency and economy of our Pub-Legislative Department

ing Thursday evening. Feb. 4. It was he touched a bow to the famous fid-publicity channels between our or-farmers of Michigan are providing a wonderfully inspirational get-to- die of his own make, he was friski- ganization and the general public be for themselves through membership michigan Potato Growers' Exchange, work of Mr. Wilson and his assogether for the big Farm Bureau fam-ness and youth itself. When he tired maintained. Accurate information in the Michigan State Farm Bureau. of playing seated, up he came and about farm and rural problems in Our activities along this line have State College, and Traffic Manager. the public mind is a most vital fac-been of much the same order as in Milks presented the most telling easily and quickly that it was marvel- WKAR placed a microphone on the tor in drawing support and removing previous years. Assistant Secretary ous. The State College Union Build- platform and the whole country was opposition from the Farm Bureau's Powell attended every session of the testimony on behalf of the farmer. last legislature and kept the members in constant contact with developments through a number of chanminutes the 724 had been seated and tanooga, Tenn., Illinois and New taining good Farm Bureau relations nels, including the Michigan Farm Bureau News, special news service furnished to 384 local and county papers in \$1 counties, weekly letters o 160 minute men in 63 counties, and his capable work as speaker at

> state Many important bills sponsored by the Michigan State Farm Bureau in the 1925 Legislature were enacted into law and are now in successful operation.

membership campaign in the eleven lution of our highway problems; the Farm Bureau membership funds. the success of our membership work. chairs for the address by Lucius E. Old time music was the order of many other ways that it has become ers of the potato and fruit exchanges ment.

Super-human efforts at times, conwilson and Mrs. Charles W. Sewell. the evening. Tunes famous thirty one of the very life processes of the were informed by wire so they could be substantial increase in net stitutes the finest example of team.

ed that this inspection work carried nancial condition of the Michigan er seen, and the ities of the Michigan State Farm Bu- of every director each month. reau. Our organization was active

creasing Detroit's representation in soul of the Farm Bureau. the State Senate. No attempt was The finances, of course, are imequalled in intensity only by the ship. The volunteer workers' mem-struggle for the gas tax in 1922. Al-bership campaign accomplishes both and co-operative marketing. of the future.

for fertilizer and ammunition pur- ciations, would be entirely lacking. poses, and the staining of imported clover and alfalfa seed.

President Noon and Vice-President McPherson were kept in close contact with legislative developments and assisted most ably at conferences and committee meetings of both Houses and at farmers' meetings.

The determination of a future course of legislative action is a responsibility resting upon the delegates to this convention.

Transportation Department The transportation interests of the farmer are, alone, of many times sufficient magnitude to warrant the existence of the Michigan State Farm Bu-

No delegate or Farm Bureau member should fail to read the excellent dividual farmer, but of the utmost report of Traffic Manager Mills, giv-service to the commodity exchanges en on succeeding pages. It consti- as well. For, as Lucius Wilson says, tutes one of the best and most evident reasons for Farm Bureau or- working together we have in so doganization I have ever read.

Think what the transportation projects in which the Farm Bureau Eastern Class Rate Case with \$500,- their leaders. 000 saving involved; the hay rate improvement of stockyard facilities, quotation of correct rates, etc., and you have an astonishing total run-The Farm Bureau News is one of ning into millions of dollars. And, bership plan approved by the Michi-

is also one of the leading partici-Congress. D. F. Murphy was employ- This was developed by our organizaed by the State Farm Bureau as traf-Legislative Department fic counsel, and under his direction the General Organization Company tober President Henry Curtis of the president, Mr. Lucius E. Wilson. The Professor John T. Horner of the Eco-ciates in the membership campaign Mills, presented the most telling Farm Bureau morale and cleared the

> Finance Department Finances adequate for the current needs of the Farm Bureau and sufficient for the gradual building up of a very substantial surplus, are absolutely necessary to an aggressive and effective Farm Bureau program.

numerous meetings throughout the Finance Department occupies a most growth which is already producing vital relation to every other depart- results in most counties in the way ment and line of endeavor in the or- of additional members and a much ganization, and the careful safe- more serviceable and active program. guarding of Farm Bureau finances The careful planning of the camis one of the most fundamental re- paign by Organization Director Alsponsibilities. This department has fred Bentall, with his untiring ef-The long fought-for gas tax is al- charge of the finances of all business forts and unlimited capacity for ed the comment of the banqueters, pert caller with him in the person of tor in promoting the Farm Bureau ready assisting materially in the so-departments and the collection of hard work, has been a great factor in

Observed on the floor for the counties last year. It proved to be Thomas bill, sponsored by the Mich- Arrangements for the necessary Another indispensable aid was the Among the guests were President and Mrs. Kenyon L. Butterfield, and Mrs. Kenyon L. Butterfield, the Michigan of reaching our members, but was served on the floor for the most end of reaching our members, but was empting bargaining activities of subsidiaries and departments, particularly the Seed Service are also become and the floor for the Michigan of reaching our members, but was empting bargaining activities of subsidiaries and departments, particularly the Seed Service are also because of Directors and the floor for the Michigan of reaching our members, but was empting bargaining activities of subsidiaries and departments, particularly the Seed Service are also because of Directors and the floor for the Michigan of reaching our members, but was empting bargaining activities of subsidiaries and departments, particularly the Seed Service are also because of Directors and the floor for the Michigan of reaching our members, but was empting bargaining activities of subsidiaries and departments, particularly the Seed Service are also because of the Michigan of reaching our members, but was empting bargaining activities of subsidiaries and departments, particularly the Seed Service are also because of the Michigan See'y and Mrs. H. H. Halladay. Dean and Mrs. R. S. Shaw, Prot. and R. Shaw, Prot. Our Farm Bureau publication go- aggressively supported by the Mich- of over \$100,000 through the early assistance rendered by Mrs. Frank J. F. Cox, Prof. and Mrs. Eben Mumford, Prof. and Mrs. J. T. Horner, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Baidwin, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Baidwin, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Carr, Mr. and Mrs. C. V.

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At 7:10 a number of the tables

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Likewise, the fine co-operation of the tables which are disguised as cooperative; Incorporated, with the necessary appropriate the highest value.

County Campaign Managers, and Mr. All bills and exposure tects him from dangerous movelong the highest value. were removed so that those in the adjoining rooms could bring in their of the square dances.

Which are disguiser as cooperative; incorporated, with the necessary apto this leading Farm Bureau serfrom imported, unriapted seed, and propriations were supported vigorit is keeping him informed in so ously, and in emergencies, the leadare carefully audited before pay It is keeping him informed in so ously, and in emergencies, the lead- are carefully audited before pay- Farm Bureau leaders in thirty of our

protect their interests. It is estimat- worth and improvement in the fi- work on a large scale that I have ev-

Organization Department ment of Agriculture and the Michi- and renewal of the Farm Bureau equalled in the farm organization gan State College. Support of the membership. The membership is the field. bill providing for deferred tax on source of the physical and spiritual commercial forest reserves, and op- sustenance of the Farm Bureau. It position to the Federal Child Labor produces financial food in the way of Amendment, should also be mention- membership dues and creates an interest and morale in the minds One of the fiercest legislative bat- and hearts of thousands of Michitles ever fought by the Farm Bureau gan farmers and their families was that in opposition to the bill in- who collectively constitute the very

reau in good stead in critical times. The plan we have often tried to ily as a whole have a much stronger In national affairs we have car- vanced in some quarters, of financ- bave alone. If the Farm Bureau proried forward the fight for governing and maintaining the Farm Bu- gram in the future be such as to ment live stock market reports for reau through commodity assess- hold the loyalty and active interests Detroit and Buffalo, a proper rela- ments on business done, I believe is of the wife and children, the contion of the Government to co-opera- receding worever in the distance. stancy of the farmer himself will tives and the problem of surplus ag- There is no practical way of inaug- automatically, be greatly improved. ricultural production, a truth-in-fab- urating such a plan, but even if it I am in no way advocating lessenrics law, the completion of the Great could be done, it would not provide ing our efforts on the economic side Lakes-St. Lawrence Waterway, a a stable source of financial suste- of organization work, but on the constandard container law, Federal li- nance for the Farm Bureau on acturary, a broadening of our program censing of commission men, equit- count of business fluctuations; fur- in a manner that will make our able adjustment of Federal taxes and thermore, the educational features Farm Bureau even more effective postal rates, abolition of the sales of the membership campaign, so along business lines. tax on automobiles, trucks and acces- necessary to the life of the Farm Busories, utilization of Muscle Shoals reau and commodity marketing asso-

> The only stable and safe foundation for the Farm Bureau is the bed rock of individual farm ownership or operation.

really felt and recognized by the individual farmer, and one that costs whether five to ten sectional organhim not only an appreciable sum of money but also something in time (Continued on page six) and personal unselfish effort and service to his organization and his community.

A State Farm Bureau built on the individual membership basis and by the team work of the farmers themselves, with the member in as direct contact as possible with his State Farm Bureau organization, will not only be of highest benefit to the ining learned how to accomplish most

has been engaged during the last formed membership in the County Without a virile, active, well inyear mean to the farmer. The Zone and State Farm Bureaus, the Farm Rate Case is saving Michigan ship-Bureau movement will neither be pers \$750,000 annually, of which serviceable to nor hold the respect \$375,000 is the farmers' share; the of the commodity exchanges and

investigation meaning at least \$40,- in improving the relationship be-The advance made the past season 000; then add to this the value of tween the member and his organpreventing the abandonment of ization and in membership cambranch railroad lines and station fa-cilities, collection of railroad claims tutes unquestionably one of the most and overcharges, the installation and outstanding new developments of the year.

Members Get Members The volunteer, continuous mem-

the outside paid solicitor with volunteer unpaid teams of carefully trained local people, was one of the most advanced steps the Michigan vision of our entire organization. The success of this big project has placed our whole organization on a higher plane of thinking and action. As the result of this first volunteer effort by local people, we have 4,000 members in the eleven counties and a more active functioning of the members themselves and a gen-The Michigan State Farm Bureau eral inoculation for constructive

with solo numbers, one of them be- Many members who were unable to on by the Department of Agriculture State Farm Bureau during the past Farm Bureau has been benefited and was unable to accommodate more 500,000 to the farmers of the state. the efficient and careful work of the Of even greater magnitude and im Floor managers were L. C. Kam- than 724 that evening, came in for Bills providing funds to combat the manager of the Finance Department, portance, however, is the member structive insect pest known, and to funds involved in our business opera- Farm Bureau leaders in 30 of our continue eradication of bovine tuber- tions and the membership money are leading agricultural countles are culosis, a disease which affects the approximately \$2,000,000 annually, planning in co-operation with the health of the farmer and his family which is handled by the Finance De- Michigan State Farm Bureau for as well as his pocketbook, owe much partment. A complete financial state- next spring and parly summer. This to the constant and watchful activ- ment in detail is placed in the hands will be carried out simultaneously. with over 5,000 people in action at the same time, and its scale of operafor weeks in support of necessary apThe Organization Department has tions, responsibilities, and far-reachpropriations for the State Depart- to do primarily with the maintenance ing results has seldom, if ever, been

> The morale and permanency of a continuous membership subject to cancellation once each year demands the highest and most effective type of Farm Bureau program. The time has come when the Farm Bureau movement must serve the whole

The Farm Bureau member must in made to oppose the reasonable in- portant and absolutely essential, but the future have an opportunity rease in the number of Representa- what is of more fundamental con- through the Farm Bureau, directly tives in the House, but the fight put cern is the proper preparation of the or indirectly, to accomplish the de up by the Michigan State Farm Bu- individual and his consecration to velopment of his educational, social reau in opposition to the passage of the duties, obligations and oppor- and spiritual interests as well as the the Senate bill in the House was tunities of Farm Bureau member- solution of his economic problems of

though the Farm Bureau was cred-ited with changing several votes, the is the case with Chambers of Com-not be treated as something apart battle was lost, but the lessons and merce and numerous organizations from farm life itself, but rather as experience which the Michigan State in other walks of life, there is now an essential part of the real life of Farm Bureau gained in legislative no question that the membership the community. It must interest the procedure are invaluable and will campaign will be a permanent func- farm home makers and the boys and unquestionably serve the Farm Bu- tion in the life of the Farm Bureau, girls. The interests of the farm famdevelop, and which is even yet ad- appeal than the economic can ever

Membership Needs One of the most urgent needs of Michigan Farm Bureau members is an opportunity to function by themselves in local activities or units.

Whether a more active County Farm Bureau program with section-This means a membership that is none but Farm Bureau members par-

Two of First Three

High Herds In 2,000 Cow Testing Ass'ns

To have one's dairy herd stand among the first three for milk and butterfat production for the year, in competition with 2,000 herds totaling 21,000 cows, all doing their derndest in 79 Michigan cow testing ass'ns, is a goal worth winning.

Michigan Milkmaker shares the honors in the 1924-25 report just made public. The first three herds were Holsteins. Second and third herds were fed Michigan Milkmaker, 24% protein public formula dairy feed as part of their rations. The Milkmaker fed herds included purebreds and grades; their owners and the herd placings are as follows:

2. GLENN CLARKSON, Brown City, R-2

3. W. J. BENNETT, Brown City

A great many Michigan dairymen have made outstanding records with Michigan Milkmaker, the 24% protein dairy feed.

Michigan Milkmaker is made up to meet the cow testing ass'n ideal for profitable dairying from the standpoint of feed,-it is a combination of the choicest feedstuffs, perfectly mixed, and no filler. The tag tells the feeder pound for pound what he is feeding-Milkmaker seeks to produce the most milk for the lowest feed cost and keeps the herd in splendid condition.

Write the Farm Bureau Supply Service, Lansing, for de scriptive Milkmaker booklet with feeding suggestions; 260 Michigan co-ops stock Michigan Milkmaker. Try a ton and watch your cows respond.

Mich. Farm Bureau Supply Service Lansing, Mich.

MICHELEX PLANT IS WELL EQUIPPED TO HANDLE BEANS

MODERN MACHINERY OF GREAT CAPACITY DOES BIG THINGS

Wet Season Has Kept Dryer Turning Out 31/2 Cars Every Day

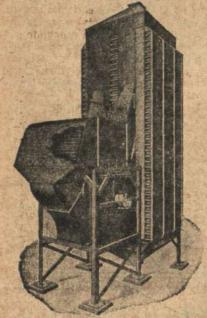
IS DATED FOR MONTHS

Service of This Plant Open To Elevators and Farmers

BY C. S. BENTON Gen. Mgr., Michelex Elevator and Warehouse Company

How many farmers in Michigan are familiar with the farmer owned and controlled terminal elevator at

Port Huron? The Michelex Elevator and Warehouse Company was organized by the Michigan Elevator Exchange in December, 1923. At that time the members of the Michigan Elevator Exchange saw the need for a farmer controlled terminal elevator, where not only elevators who are members of the Michigan Elevator Evchange could have the services of a terminal picking, conditioning and storage



The first year this plant was op- fully carried out. evator & Warehouse Company to run this year's crop. its plant to capacity, 24 hours a day The Michigan Elevator Exchange

home of the Michelex, Bunkerhill, to the handlers of Michigan beans. and St. Clair brand beans, which are A bean pool, to protect the farm-

To give you some idea of the capacity and equipment of this plant, ery we are using:

The Hess Dryer is being used ev-

The Crippen Dundee cleaner has competitors of Michigan beans. a capacity of 40,000 lbs. of beans in two hours. This machine is running constantly.

We also have four Crippen Pickers which machine eight cars of beans every 24 hours.

The bean room for handpicking has a capacity of 90 girls, and this room has been run to capacity for the past 18 months.

ing in shifts of 12 hours each. The selling the southeastern states. In tongue, accomplish but little in the electric loading device has made a many instances Michigan shippers ends they seek. record of loading 400 bags of beans were being charged one-third more The Elevator Exchange has in 15 minutes, while with the Pow- for shipments traveling fewer miles standing challenge to such, that it er Unloader we are able to unload a than did the New York shipments. | books and records are open at all car of 40,000 lbs. in one hour.

the plant is equipped with two Ox- southern points for Michigan ship- logical plan that any man will offer ford polishers, and two Giant pick- pers, which are estimated to have for the betterment of Michigan ag- James Lohman and Ben Lohman, toers which are used in connection saved our shippers \$40,000. At the riculture.

with the other machines.

we have two large warehouses which order helps some and is a step in marketing principles of the Elevator are used to store farmer owned the right direction.

beans. Inspection of this plant i well worth the time of anyone growng or handling beans, and it is hoped that more of the bean growers in the vicinity of Port Huron will avail themselves of an opportunity to personally inspect this plant.

The Port Huron plant is in charge of Mr. J. C. Sweet, who is well experienced in handling Michigan beans. He is assisted by Mr. Geo. Wright as traffic manager, Mr. Evarts as accountant, and Mr. Frank Horton as elevator foreman.

Barry County Bureau Re-Elects Its Officers

Hastings, Jan. 28-The Barry County Farm Bureau at its annual meeting here today re-elected these officers: President, Elmer C. Eck ert, Freeport; Vice-Pres., W. R. Harper, Middleville; Sec'y-Treas., John C. Killick, Doster. State Sec'y C. L. Brody addressed the meeting and conducted a question box on Farm Bureau matters.

FOR SUCCESSFUL **FARM BEAN POOL**

but other farmer owned elevators Much Talk From Certain Sources, But Little Horse Sense

FOR FARMER CONTROL

That is Position of Elevator Exchange and State Farm Bureau

For the past two years there has een a certain amount of discussion in Michigan among the bean growers and handlers as to the feasibility of pooling Michigan beans.

The Michigan Elevator Exchange has given this matter considerable thought, but has not felt that the time is yet here when a successful farmer controlled pool could be or-

This year the agitation for a bean oool has been very great, especially from certain sources. Investigation of their agitation has failed to disclose any reasonable plan whereby the farmers interested would be protected. It is a very easy matter to talk about pools in grain, beans, and talk about pools in grain, beans, and yer has been going 24 hours a day past 90 days and may operate at but it is an entirely different matmakingan farmers many thousands ter to work out a plan which is feasible and one which can be success-

erated, it went through an experi- This year would have been an esmental stage. It was fortunate for pecially poor year to undertake such the bean growers of Michigan that a pool when we consider that Michi the year of 1924 was a dry one. This gan had a larger acreage of beans year crop conditions were unfavor in 1925 than we have ever had. Furable, and with the especially wet thermore, with the beans containing beans of the Thumb territory it has excess moisture, it would have been been necessary for the Michelex El- suicidal to have attempted to pool

so that the farmers' beans could be and the Michigan State Farm Busaved and be sold to the best advan- reau are always ready to help the farmer solve such problems. A great Our plant has been completely deal of thought has been given to overhauled and new machinery in the bean pool plan, and it is hoped stalled. Today it is one of the most that before another crop is harvestefficiently operated bean plants in ed that a plan can be worked out Michigan. It is already being known which will be practical and satisfacthroughout the central west as the tory, not only to the farmers, but

packed exclusively at Port Huron ers interested, should be controlled and sold by the Michigan Elevator by farmers, and not by the handlers we will mention some of the machin- offerings of beans when the market compete with the Michigan prodcannot readily absorb them.

We have heard that Michigan ery day to dry beans. It has a capac- raises more white beans than any which offers free service to memity of 3 1/2 cars each 24 hours, and other State. This may be true, but bers in collecting railroad claims it looks as though this machine will on the other hand, it is impossible and for adjusting differences with be used constantly for the next few for Michigan to fix the price of oth- the railroads or other carriers. months. It is about 30 feet high. er varieties of beans. Just as soon The foregoing items constitute the Last Fall, we installed a Ferrell as the prices of Michigan beans aims and services of the Michigan Clipper Bean Cleaner which has a reach a certain point, we are face Elevator Exchange. In building a capacity of 40,000 lbs. of beans in to face with importation of foreign business of the present size the Ex 14 hours. This will give you an beans. Also, we cannot overlook the change has naturally incurred some idea as to the volume of beans which fact that the Great Northern beans ill will. We have today in Michigan can be handled by the plant during grown in Idaho, Minnesota and Utah a few farmer politicians who are are each year becoming stronger most bitter in denouncing the Mich-

HAY RATE BOOST

For some time Michigan hay ship- the critics are simply drumming pers have been at a great disadvant- themselves up politically, and equip-This plant employes 15 men work- age with New York hay shippers in ped only with a hammer and a loose

Last winter the State Farm Bu- times, and that its Board of Direc-In addition to the above machines, reau secured emergency hay rates to tors will gladly endorse any sound. same time it called attention to the If you are a farmer stockholder of ed by State Inspector A. F. Logan The Michelex Elevator is located inequalities existing between ship- a Michigan co-operative elevator without any reactors. The herds inat Port Huron, Michigan, at the foot pers of the two states. The Inter- handling grain and beans, but it is clude a number of registered dairy of Grand River Avenue. It has a state Commerce Commission has not a member of the Elevator Ex- bred Shorthorns. John, James, Ben dockage of 240 feet on the St. Clair just issued an increase in rates for change, you will probably find your and Alfred O. Lohman, also of Ham-River, and is the only available dock- New York shippers to southern manager not a believer in central- ilton, are all members of the Alle-

terway Route becomes a certainty, is I. C. C. 606 and was effective Feb. Eclvator Exchange service. The Ex- renewed their memberships in the this property will be too valuable for 5. New York shippers still have change will not sign new member Allegan county membership camconsiderable advantage over Michi- elevators these days unless the local paign last August. In addition to the large elevator, gan shippers, but the Commission's manager believes in the co-operative

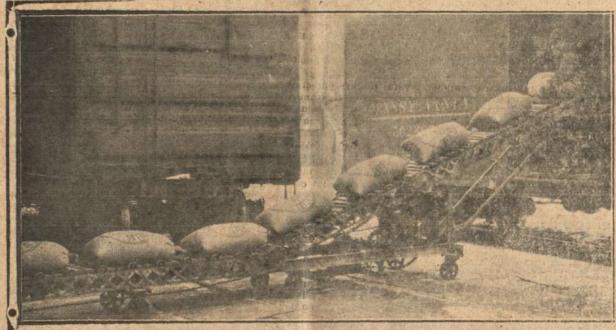
Three Views of the Michelex Plant



A few of the 90 girls who are employed in the bean picking room the year around to handpick the immense olume of beans sent through the Michelex Elevator and Warehouse plant



Here is a shipment of beans about ready to leave the Michelex plant. After being conditioned in the plant the beans are conveyed by a chute to an automatic weighing and sewing machine. Beans pour into the sack until it balances 100 lbs. net. The business end of the automatic sack sewing machine is passed across the closed mouth of the sack and the result is the neat sewed job you see in the picture. The weighing-sewing process is considerable of a time saver too. .



is the way the Elevator Exchange hustles 100 lb, sacks of beans into a car. This electric conveyor has moved as high as 400 sacks in 15 minutes. Several units extend the apparatus far back into the plant. It and lead, etc., it carries. Then In handling wet beans through an negotiates curves just as well as straight-away loading

Elevator Exchange Has Great Bean Sales Story

of Michigan beans. The great diffi- igan grain and beans, and boosts culty at this time is to work out Michigan goods always. It handles some way to take care of the excess no western or imported beans to One is Director; Another is a ucts.

A Traffic Dep't is maintained

ligan Elevator Exchange. Some of these men state publicly that co-operative elevators destroy markets rather than build them. Some say that the present management of the Elevator Exchange does not follow out the policies and principles laid down by its original incorporators Happily for the Exchange, most of

Exchange.

Delegate; Third Heads Resolutions Bd.

Grand Rapids, Feb. 1-At the re ent eighth annual meeting of the Kent County Farm Bureau the county board of directors was increased from six to eight members, to inlude one woman director, Mrs. Jaob Spangenberg of Sparta; she was also elected as one of Kent county's six voting delegates to the State Farm Bureau's annual meeting, Pres McPherson named Mrs. Spandenberg as chairman of the Kent county res

olutions committee. Pres. McPherson was re-elected for the third time as president of the Kent Bureau; Leo Riggs of Gaines was re-elected vice-president. Direc tors re-elected were Rudolph Zandt, D. W. Richardson, J. P. Munson, Frank J. Walsh of Cedar Springs is one of the two new directors on the

Hamilton Men's Herds Of 80 Makes a Record

record T. B. test took place recently when the herds of John Lohman, Sr., talling 80 head of cattle, were testage between Port Huron and Detroit. points, ranging from 5 to 9 cents ized effort. The chances are, how- gan County Farm Bureau. They are Just as soon as the Great Lakes Wa- per hundred pounds. The new tariff ever, that you will find him using old-time Farm Bureau members and

> Write Supply Service for new poultry feeding booklet.

Genesee Co. Members Attention!

See, call or write Wilbur Short at Swartz Creek about getting Farm Bureau: Milkmaker Poultry Feeds Seeds Coal Fertilizer

Binder Twine

THIS TRADE MARK **SELLS ELEVATOR EXCHANGE BEANS**

Below is the well known Michelex Elevator Exchange from its Michelex plant at Port Huron, A large After having is branded on the face of every sack of Michelex beans, in two colors, red



The Exchange has two other trade shown above, except for that feature.

It is interesting to note that the first bean shipper in Michigan to Exchange, which copyrighted its Michelex brand two years ago. A

The demand for these three grades of beans is steadily increas ng, for buyers realize when purhasing these three grades that they get the quality they buy. The Michigan Elevator Exchange puts a guarantee on every car of branded beans, which the buyers appreciate.

Why Not Truth In Fence? Asks Member

Hillsdale, Michigan, Michigan State Farm Bureau,

Gentlemen: I would be very grateful if you day. ver seed situation article, dealing loss could be on excess moisture, with the imports, etc., I wanted the When beans containing excess paper to file but it was accidentally moisture are shipped to a wholesale

I believe it is a serious thing. Farm Bureau take up the subject of Michigan have had to assume a loss fence galvanizing. I believe every owing to beans going bad 90 days roll of fence should be tagged with after same were received, paid for, statement as to the amount of zinc and unloaded. Write Supply Service for new poul- ing and factories would begin to takes to dry these same beans and Thousands enjoyed the State Farr: the extra quality.

L. W. Meeks.

AUTOMATIC BEAN PICKERS AT MICHELEX



try feeding booklet.

Bureau banquet program by radio

used at the Michelex Elevator Thumb territory its four going day and night. They are made by the Crippen Mfg. Co., Alma, Mich.

WET BEANS ARE **BIG PROBLEM FOR ALL CONCERNED**

1925 Season Was One of The Worst We Have Ever Had

DRYERS ARE IN DEMAND

Michelex Plant Has Kept Its Dryer Going Night And Day

The bean growers of Michigan this year have been face to face with the most serious proposition they have trade mark for the choice hand pick- had for the last few years; namely, ed beans marketed by the Michigan the marketing of beans which carry

After having prospects for one of reproduction of the above trade mark the best and largest crops of Michigan beans for a long time, we ran into an exceedingly long rainy season during the months of September and October, which caused most of this year's crop of beans to be harvested at the time when they contained excess moisture. This condition is always a difficult one to handle and this year has proved no exception.

The handling of wet beans is not only serious for the grower, but for

the elevator, jobber, and grocer. In the first place, it is hard for the grower to realize what danger a little excess moisture makes in his beans. When he takes a sample of marked brands, BUNKERHILL, fan- beans to the elevator and the eleby screened, and ST. CLAIR, choice vator manager advises him that his screened. These words appear in beans are wet and contain moisture place of Michelex on those brands, in excess of 17 per cent, he cannot which are the same as the drawing understand why the elevator man should ask for price protection covering this excess moisture, little realizing that the elevator, before shipcopyright a brand for strictly CHP ping these beans, must be sure that pea beans was the Michigan Elevator same do not contain moisture over 17 per cent. Beans containing over 17 per cent moisture are not safe, ear ago the Exchange copyrighted and there is always the danger of ts Bunkerhill and St. Clair brand such beans becoming musty and go-

ing bad. -The large canners have been very fair in checking beans containing excess moisture. They have been able to work same up into their canned products at once. We have had some elevators object to the canner deducting for the excess meisture, but if you stop to consider that 3 per cent excess moisture means a shrinkage of 1,200 lbs, on one car of beans, and that some canners use three cars of beans per day, which would mean a shrinkage in beans of 3,600 lbs. With beans costing, say 5c per pound, this would represent a loss to the canner of \$180.00 per

When you consider that a canner Farm Bureau News of the recent is- cans beans probably six months out sue which contained the foreign clo- of the year, you can see what his

destroyed. I am much interested in grocer, the seller's liability does not this important clover seed situation. cease at the time beans are shipped and the draft is paid; there have I hope some day soon to see our been cases where bean shippers in

farmers like yours truly would soon elevator, the farmer probably does demand a fence of heavy galvaniz- not consider the length of time it make it and charge for it according- the extra steps which are necessary y. Would be glad to pay more for to properly prepare them for mar-

There are in the state of Michigan today not more than 15 commercial dryers, so you can see that these dryers have to be worked to their capacity to take care of the wet beans. One of the largest dryers in the State is located in the plant of the Michelex Elevator &-At the left is one of four Warehouse Company at Port Huron, power Crippen Bean Pickers which serves practically the entire

and Warehouse at Port Huron. day for the last two months, a good This dryer has been run night and These high speed pickers can indication of what the farmers of run eight carloads totaling the Thumb territory would have some 320,000 lbs. of beans been up against if this farmer ownevery 24 hours. Michelex keeps ed and controlled dryer had not been its four going der and nicht.

> There are always two sides to every question; your side and the wrong side.

One Hundred of These at Michelex



HOW MICHELEX HELPS GROWERS AND ELEVATORS

Storage for the Overflow; Conditioning Service Where Needed

BY MICHIGAN ELEVATOR EX-CHANGE

Prices received for Michigan beans by the farmers in the past few years have been quite satisfactory. This has caused them to raise beans over a large area over the state each year. This results in a lot of growers with a crop on their hands to be marketed, in a good many places where their local elevator has no equipment to handle the beans. In fact, they do not receive enough beans to pay them to put in the modern equipment which they would have to have these days to properly prepare beans for the market.

The Michelex Elevator's terminal plant at Port Huron is equipped to handle all kinds and all quantities of beans. We will cite you for example, a car of beans we purchased not long ago from a local elevator outside of the bean growing section, containing eleven different farmers' lots of All of them picked very each lot separately. The small elevator received the same price for this car of beans as if it was an elevator in the regular bean producing

Had it not been for the Michelex terminal picking plant, these farmers would be forced to pick these beans out themselves at home, or else discontinue handling beans as there is no market where beans could This Article Tells Some of the be handled this year, especially in the condition they come from the

For another illustration, consider the farmer who raised 150 bushels of beans with a pickage of 15% and with a moisture content/of 3 to 4% joins the Michigan Elevator Exin excess of the amount allowed in change, it becomes a part of one of choice beans. How could he market the largest co-operative marketing this lot of beans direct to the con- organizations in the State. This orsumer, who purchases only beans ganization has been in successful opthat are dry and are picked to choice eration for the past five years and hand picked basis? With the Miche- has never caused its members a cent lex plant at his service, these beans of loss through failure of a buyer's could be bagged, shipped to the plant | contract. cleaned and processed and sold, and the farmer would receive a fair remember that three large Michi amount for his crop.

heavy bean producing sections of three years. Shippers doing business Michigan, the local elevator is un- with these firms were heavy losers. elevator is forced to dispose of them for membership. There are som in order to keep doing business. In member ass'ns in the Michigan Ele cases of this kind, the overflow is vator Exchange today who in re-now shipped to the Michelex plant, turn for their \$200 membership fee cleaned and put away to be sold lat- hold \$2,000 worth of paid up stock er when market conditions are more in the company, and have received not a candidate. In his place the Pofavorable. One of our elevators at as much as \$800,00 in cash divi- tato Exchange nominated Mr. Fred the present time advises us they have dends. about 15 cars of stored beans, all be- A member elevator of the Eleva- Stanwood, Mecosta county, The com longing to the farmers which we con- tor Exchange receives a daily bulle- modity directors re-elected: the grower.

samples of beans which are very dir- receiving a bid on his grain and Elevator Exchange; John H. O'Mea ty and containing some spots of beans from the Michigan Elevator ley, Hudson, Michigan Live Stock mold on the beans. In a great many Exchange, also, any market infor- Exchange, M. D. Buskirk, Paw Paw cases we can save better than 25% mation which should prove of in-Michigan Fruit Grewers Exchange. of these beans by shipping to our terest to the elevator managers. terminal plant at Port Huron and The Michigan Elevator Exchange process before handpicking. With- Dep't which is in a position at all out the Michelex plant the beans times to take care of traffic probwould be a loss.

lize that we are raising in Michigan from railroads for damages or ov plants now in operation. To our much to country shippers. of any size have been built in the raised to becoming a member of the president. Sec'y-Manager C. L. tra tonnage of stock. When you same old story,-that they are year 1926. take all of the above facts into con- afraid by joining the Elevator Exthat a terminal plant is not a money interests in Michigan will refuse to out. The delegates squelched an eff the majority of the years these plants is not true, as Elevator Exchange can barely pay expenses but we con- members are free sider them very cheap investment time to sell their grain and beans to

GENESEE PLANS

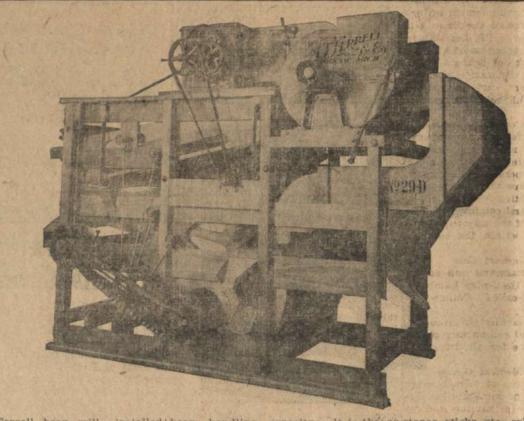
Banquet, Noted Speakers and Dance at Flint on Feb. 19th

ty Farm Bureau announces its big responsibility of the Exchange. Farm Bureau banquet and old time party at the Masonic Temple, Flint; Friday evening, Feb. 19, at 7 o'clock Geese Get New Jobs fast time. Speakers will be Pres. McPherson of the State Farm Bureau, and Mrs. Charles W. Sewell of 8th annual meeting. Tom Price, wrote January 25: see County Farm Bureau office, 225 sue. We will want to use your paper quarters. Paterson Bldg., Flint, So. Saginaw for advertising geese and cockerels St., opposite city hall. Telephone No. next fall.

to happiness are contributions not pearance: purchased.

Write Supply Service for new poultry feeding booklet.

Michelex Plant Uses Largest Bean Mill



The Ferrell bean mill installed bean handling capacity it is the as stones, sticks, etc., split and brok. letin 219, issued on January 9th, heavy and ran excess moisture They this year by the Michelex Elevator & largest bean mill made. All beans en beans and other objectionable we find that Mr. Church's estimate were picked separately, sampled Warehouse Company at Port, Hu- are put over it and by various screen matter are removed. The beans are of the 1924 crop of Michigan beans separately, and moisture taken from ron practically doubled the plants ing processes all foreign matter such then ready for picking.

JOIN EXCHANGE

Relationeships and Benefits

When a farmer-owned elevator

This is quite an item when you gan jobbing firms in beans and Also, a good many times in the grain have failed during the pass

gard to the Chicago, Detroit and To-

putting them through our cleaning maintains a well equipped Traffic B. McPherson, Lowell; Mrs. Edith lems of the local elevator manag-The average grower does not rea- ers, such as collection of claims this year nearly twice as many beans ercharges, and seeing that equipas we did just a few years ago, which ment is placed promptly. This servis a heavy burden upon the terminal ice is free to members and means

sideration, you must not overlook change that other bean and grain was open and harmonious through making proposition. In fact, during give them market information. This for the amount of service they per- any buyer in Michigan who is able to bid a better price than the Eleva-

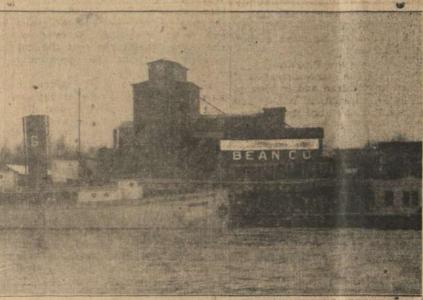
tor Exchange This privilege is given without any penalty charge. There are times when the Elevator Exchange has suggestbetter prices being available.

Through F. B. News

News ad which sold Mrs. Hart's full forth now. Mr. Robinson made a The things that contribute most blooded Toulous geese on its first ap- few personal remarks and sat down

sexes, price \$4:00 each. Mrs. read to the motion of Hart, East Lansing, Michigan, R. D. 1. of Berrien county.

MICHELEX ELEVATOR & WAREHOUSE CO.



A view of the Michigan Elevator Exchange's terminal elevator and ware. the same proportion as we have ap able to handle the beans as fast as the initial cost for each elevator house at Port Huron, taken from the St. Clair River and showing part of the valuable dock facilities owned by the Michelex plant.

M. B. McPherson Pres. Of State Farm Bureau

(Continued from page one) Harger, a Farm Bureau member of

We are also receiving a number of ledo grain markets, in addition to George McCalla, Ypsilanti, Michigan the Michigan Milk Producers Ass'n

> Directors at large re-elected: M M. Wagar, Carleton; W. W. Billings Davison; E. C. McCarty, Bad Axe J G. Boyle, Buchanan; Verold F Gormely, Newberry.

The Board of Directors organized by elected Vice-Pres. Melville B McPherson president, succeeding Mr M. L. Noon, who gave the State Farm Bureau two splendid terms of knowledge no new terminal plants. The only objection anyone has service. Mr. Noon was elected vicepast five years for handling this ex- Michigan Elevator Exchange is the Brody was again engaged for the

> The State Farm Bureau meeting fort to cast suspicion on their officers during the last few moments of the meeting. As is usual at all large organization meetings, there is some politicking," and charges and tall that go around in the hotel lobbies and other places during and before the meeting. All organization men are familiar with this sort of thing

During the meeting everything ed to its members that they sell their was laid open to the delegates; quesgrain and beans through other sourc- tions on any subject were invited es than the Exchange on account of and ans lered as they came. The financial eport put in the hands of ing the Michigan Elevator Exchange, tified fiym of public accountants and has everything to gain, as that ass'n was accepted by every member o is a participant in the yearly patron- the board of directors and the board age dividend. By joining the Eleva- of delegates. At the last moment, Flint, Feb. 11-The Genesee Country tor Exchange it assumes no financial during elections, this financial state ment was challenged by Mr. Charles L. Robinson of Lawrence, Van Burer county, who said, "Next year, we will be back prepared to analyze the financial statement.

Immediately President Noon ad-Following is a letter to the Farm dressed Mr. Robinson, saying, "We the Indiana Farm Bureau, who Bureau News from Mrs. Pearl B. want you to analyze the statement spoke at the State Farm Bureau's Hart of East Lansing, R-1, who right now! There is no Farm Buredu information that is not open to president of the Saginaw Farm Bu- "We have had fine success adver- this delegate body. I want to sugar reau, will be toastmaster. The Ama- tising our geese in your paper. We gest to you or any other person that don old-time dance orchestra of had them all sold after the first ap- you do not go about scattering state-Owosso will play. Tickets are \$1 pearance of the advertisement on ments about Farm Bureau affairs Make reservation at once by mail, Dec. 18, 1925. We would have you without first verifying your informa te lephone or telegraph to the Gene- omit the advertising in your next is- tion at State Farm Bureau Head

> Delegates all over the hall de manded trust anyone who had any Below is the three-times Business- charges to bling forth, bring them MAMMOTH FULL BLOODED TOUL-ous Geese from the Funks International Strain. One and two years old, both sexes, price \$4,00 each. Mrs. Pearl B. on motion of Mr. Robert Sherwood No one had anything to offer, and

POULTRY SHIPPERS! **CLIP AND SAVE**

Jewish Holidays and Dates as representing the un Poultry Shipments Are Wanted

Detroit, Feb. 11 .- Poultry shiptry on the market for the Jewish pest stock is wanted for these holi- fit for stock feed. days, and extra fancy poultry usually sells for several cents a pound above he regular market price:

wanted.

Best market days March 24th to low normal. 27th. Heavy fat fowls, fat ducks and geese wanted.

Last Passover-April 5th and 6th. Best market days April 1st and 3rd. All kinds prime quality poultry

Feast of Weeks-May 19th. Best ecially in demand: Jewish New Year-September 9th.

Best market days Sept. 4th to 7th. All kind good stock wanted. Poor, hin poultry will not sell.

at fowls wanted

pecially wanted.

BEAN MOVEMENT OF 1925 COMPARED WITH THAT OF 1924

Disposition of the Damaged Crop is Key to 1925 Situation

and a comparison of the movements Mr. Church on February 8th which the previous year. of the two crops, presented by Mr. C. shows the revised figures on the New S. Benton, manager of the Michigan York and Michigan bean crop, which market the damaged beans and those Elevator Exchange bean dep't and I think it is well to read before this with a high moisture content first, chairman of the traffic committee of matter is discussed. Following is it has slowed up the movement the Michigan Bean Johbers Ass'n, Mr. Church's report: at a meeting of the Bean Jobbers Ass'n held at Detroit, Feb. 11:

"I have found that the best figures to start on when figuring on the made by the agricultural statisti- merchantable crop of about the same Michigan bean crop is to take the cians in the two principal bean-volume as last year; future prices figures given out by Mr. F. E. growing states, Michigan and New should not vary much from those re-Church, Chief of the Bureau of Crop York indicates the extent of the ceived for the 1924 crop." Estimates of Lansing.

"In securing the railroad figures you should remember that the railroads do not consider cars of beans moving to Saginaw, Flint, Toledo, Port Huron and Grand Rapids, owing to most of the cars billed to these points being for transit privilege.

"By referring to Mr. Drees's bulwas 6,447,000 bushels, or 9,670 cars of 40,000 lbs.; while the railroads show the shipments from Oct. 1st, 1924 to Dec. 1st, 1925, were 8,034 cars, which shows a difference between Mr Church's figures and the railroad's figures of 1,636 cars of beans. This is mighty good when you consider that the railroads, figures do not include seed require ments or unsalable beans, while Mr Church's figures do not take into consideration the pickage.

"In the same bulletin, we find that Mr. Church has estimated the 1925 crop at 8,289,000 bu, which represents 12,433 cars, of 40,000 lbs. It is of course to early to compare these figures with the railroads' figures of this year. Shipments from Sept. 1st, 1924 to December 31, 1924, were 4,064 cars while the shipments from Sept. 1st, 1925 to December 31st, 1925 show 4,970 cars, which shows an increase of 906 cars or 10.2%; while the increase in the crop of 1925 in comparison with the crop of 1924 is 7.8 per cent.

"From February 1st, 1925 to October 1st, 1925, railroad figures show there were shipped 4,203 cars If we ship the balance of this crop in 1st this year, 4,970 cars, But estimating the shipments which moved during the month of January, which figures we have been unable to se cure, it would show that we would ship this year approximately 9,300 cars. Taking these figures from Mr Church's estimate, 12,433 cars would leave a difference of 3,140 cars which would have to be considered and the seed requirement, but I we must remember that figures do not always work out as we expect and we are not always satisfied with the results we secure. We must not overpers planning on placing their poul- look the fact that from the best in formation which we have been able holidays will do well to ship so that to gather, there were probably their shipments arrive here on the 100,000 acres of the 1925 crop market day listed below. Only the which were harvested but were only "This 100,000 acres would amount

to 1,300,000 bu. and with a normal seed requirement of 500 cars would Purim-Feb. 28th. Best market make a total of 1,800,000 bu, to be days February 25th and 26th. Heavy deducted from the 3,140 cars, leavfat fowls and prime then turkeys ing a total of 290,000 bu., or 300 cars to be added to the carry over Passover-March 30th and 31st, last year, which was probably be-

"We must also remember the fact that we have had heavy shipments of Michigan beans to New York State this year, 650 cars, which would make a difference between Mr. evening, Feb. 4, when the State market day May 17th. Fat towls es. figures to show of 2,090 cars against garding the program have been redifference last year of 1,636 cars.

shows that from Sept. 1924, to Feb. from. Following are some of the from Michigan folks. Mr. Wilson's 1925, that they inspected 1,802 points that reported the Farm Bucars, while from September 1st, reau program: Day of Atonement-Sept. 18th. 1925 to January 1st, 1925, they in-Best market days, September 14th spected 2,100 cars. I am sure we and 15th. Fat spring chickens and will all agree that the bean acreage in Michigan in 1925 was the largest Feast of Tabernacles-Sept. 23rd. we ever had, and prospects for an Best market day Sept. 20th and 21st. excellent crop' were very good until ington, W. Va. A farmer owned elevator, in join- the delegates was audited by a cer- Fat fowls, fat decks and fat geese es- the fall fains. It has been hard to secure any information as to the

number of bushels of beans that damage caused were not harvested this year, or the weather last fall.

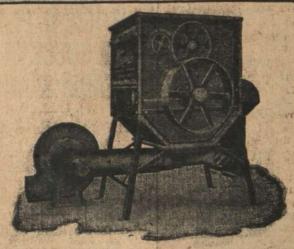
age pick of 5.8 lbs.

average pick of the crop. Two of the acreage actually lost and no the larger terminal picking plants harvested, the production for the report this year's average pick as two states amounted to 9,715,000 3 1/2 lbs., as against last year's aver- bu. as compared with 8,462,000 in

1924. After deducting the portion "I think that we will all agree of the harvested crop that was too that the carry over last year was the badly damaged to warrant handsmallest we have had for some time picking and the average pick from which was no doubt caused by the the remainder, it is found that the speculative element which we had hand-picked crop is between 7,500. with us a year ago but which I un- 000 and 8,000,000 bu. This is pracderstand we cannot expect this year. tically the same as in 1924. It is al-"Since preparing the above figures so found that the crop of white pea Following is an analysis of the I have just received a supplemen- beans totals about 5,500,000 bu 1925 and 1924 Michigan bean crops tary report which was released by which is practically the same as in

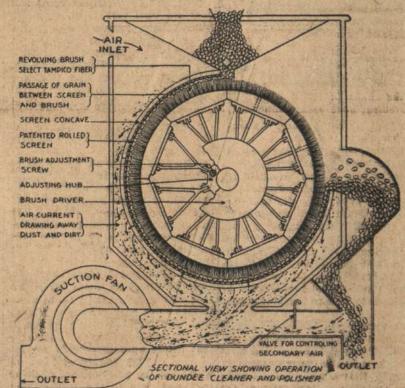
> "'As the tendency has been to through the elevators. The remain-"Lansing, Mich., ing stocks will undoubtedly average "'February 8, 1926. hetter in quality and produce a more "'The report of a special survey nearly normal movement, With a

How Michelex Cleans Beans



Above is a photograph of the Dundee bean cleaner and polisher used at the Michelex Elevator and Warehouse Company at Port Huron. Below is a diagram showing how the cleaner works. It has a capacity of cleaning and polishing 40,000 lbs. of beans every two hours, or 2,000 bushels per day. It hustles picking stock through the plant. The Michelex Company was one of the first Michigan companies to purchase one of these machines

The Dundee Cleaner is manufactured by the Crippen Manufacturing Co of Alma, Mich. Beans enter at the top of the machine and are fed evenly on a revolving brush having 1,400 square inches of surface. The brush rolls the beans over and over against a special scouring case, cleaning and polishing them while the sand, dust and dirt are forced out throug the screen. The machine is encased in a body and is subjected to a high air suction of 2,750 cubic feet per minute, which carries all dirt and dust outside the plant. The machine polishes and vaccum cleans. Bright clean stock pleases customers. The machine may be used for cleaning smutty and off grade wheat.



Michigan Farm Bureau Thursday Church's estimate of the 1925 crop Farm Bureau banquet program was and what we estimate the railroad broadcast over WKAR. Letters received from a number of eastern "The inspection department report points, with the west yet to be heard Many letters have been received

Boonton, New Jersey. New York City (2), Brooklyn, N. Baltimore, Md., (2).

Boston, Mass.

Y. (3), Flushing, Glencove, N. Y.

Providence, R. I. Columbia, S. C. Washington, D. C. Lancaster and Phoenixville, Pa. Dover, Ohio. Nye, Wis. Hartford, Conn. Chattanooga, Tenn.

During the program telephone alls were received from listeners-in at Paris, Flint, Howell, Big Rapids. Hastings and Bay City, Michigan talk was very clear and was appreci ated. Nearly every letter mentioned the wonderful oldtime filldling of "Jep" Bisbee and commented on his 84 years. Description of James Sullivan's jigs were reported by east-Clarksburg, Wheeling and Hunt- ern listeners. Mr. Sullivan did a little jigging on the platform that held the microphone.

Farm Bureau domestic, northern origin, Michigan adapted clover and alfalfa seeds grow, endure, produce profitable crops; ask your co-op.

> MICHIGAN FARM BUREAU SEED SERVICE Lansing, Michigan

Resolutions Adopted at 8th Annual Farm Bureau Meeting

BUREAU'S HIGHWAY STAND IS TIMELY AND TO THE POINT

Farmers' Viewpoint on Public Problems is Received With Interest

Following is the complete text of the resolutions adopted by the Board of Delegates at the 8th annual meeting of the Michigan State Farm Bureau at M. S. C., Feb. 4 - 5.

With the special session of legislature just convening, the Farm long-time business and since the This condition has made possible hart case, problems was awaited with interest. mental stage and is here to stay, we as representing what rural Michigan approve the continuous membership olutions are also regarded as instrucrectors and other officials as to what cessity for taking part in membertheir working program shall be for ship campaigns and actively assistthe ensuing year. the Resolutions:

THE FARM BUREAU AND ITS RE-LATIONSHIPS

Preamble

Farm Bureau, we, the duly elected and services as largely as possible. members of this Board of Delegates assembled in the Eighth Annual meeting of our organization feel that it is appropriate and proper that we should adopt the following reso-

Endorsement of Bureau We renew our active and loyal allegiance to the Farm Bureau Movement, recognizing that in the present era of organization we as farmers must be effectively organized if agriculture is to be maintained as a selfsupporting and self-respecting industry . We believe that the Farm Bureau helps us meet other organized groups and classes on a more equal basis and provides the large not be made possible in any other

Commendation and Satisfaction standing and encouraging condition come tax exemption for bona-fide coappreciation of the careful, conservative and yet progressive manner in Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Waterway which the affairs of these units of ed during this past year.

Other Farm Organizations We appreciate that the opportunities for the betterment of rural conditions are so many and so varied that there is ample room and urgent need for the most active efforts on the part of all other farmers' organithe benefit of the farmers. We voice the desire that all these movements which share common aims and purposes may go forward in harmony and we pledge the cooperation of the

Extension Service Relationships We recognize especially the valuable contribution made to Michigan agriculture by the College Extension Service, including the work of the County Agricultural Agents, the pride in the fact that during the past seven years our County Farm Buin may parts of the state. However, inasmuch as the Extension Service is national welfare. partly supported by Federal and State funds, the Extension workers program within the county.

Farm Bureau District Plan We heartily endorse the action of ing. the Board of Directors of the Michigan State Farm Bureau taken at their meeting November 10, 1925, in establishing and putting into effect establishing and putting into effect eration of the great power and his should be continually directed to tion after the war. Economists have the Farm Bureau District Plan trate project at Muscle Shoals. We weight tax be decreased or discontinually directed to tion after the war. Economists have meeting, and the counties they reputation be always recognized that corporate or ward obtaining lower rates where always recognized that corporate or the Farm Bureau District Plan trate project at Muscle Shoais. We ward obtaining lower rates where always recognized that corporate or whereby three or more County Farm arge that this hydro-electric power plates be issued to be valid for the whereby three or more County Farm arge that this hydro-electric power possible, more favorable traffic ganization and the operation of mod-Bureaus in cooperation with the and equipment be utilized for the life of the car. State Farm Bureau employ a Dis- manufacture of fertilizer and other life of the car, trict Manager to devote his full time chemical compounds needful to the to increasing the membership, extending the services and stimulating do not favor continued governmental opposed to the State's repudiating any the activities of the Farm Bureau operation but prefer that these propwithin the district. We urge upon our Board of Directors that this service be extended to other counties as soon as this may be done without unduly hampering existing Extension

Home Economics Extension Work We commend the extension work among women as developed in a majority of counties through the efforts of the extension workers of the county, and recommend that all effort be

al the more general interest and par- ers must in fairness have the benefit the fact that membership in the Farm tariffs on agricultural products and Bureau is on a family basis. We elect a county chairman of Home and Community work to co-operate with the state chairman in developing and carrying out such a program as may meet the approval of the Farm Bureau families of Michigan.

Volunteer Membership Campaigns and increasing the membership of the Farm Bureau by the volunteer, unpaid efforts of the members them-Bureau's action on many important Farm Bureau is through the experithinking today. The Bureau's res- contract as adopted by our Board of Directors and as now being used in tions from the Board of Delegates to the new type campaigns. We impress the State Farm Bureau Board of Di- upon the membership at large the ne-Following are ing at other times in the important work of membership maintenance.

Using Farm Bureau Services and good business, they should pat-Representing as we do the entire ronize Farm Bureau business agenmembership of the Michigan State cies and use Farm Bureau products

Quarterly Meetings In order that the members may keen better informed regarding their organization and have a more active part in outlining and carrying forlutions as embodying our platform ward Farm Bureau plans and activities, we advocate the policy of holding quarterly meetings of the membership of each County Farm Bureau. We also favor more frequent community Farm Bureau meetings.

RESOLUTIONS ON MATTERS FOR CONGRESSIONAL ACTION National Taxation Policy

We reiterate our stand on national taxation as taken at our previous meetings. We endorse the detailed resolution on this subject adopted at American Farm Bureau Federation. We specifically urge that the Internal Revenue Act be so amended as to We rejoice at the present high provide full and simple Federal inof our State and National Farm Bu- operative associations as defined and reau organizations, and express our legalized by the Capper-Volstead National Marketing Law.

Since the transportation of the our movement have been administer- products of agriculture and industry a problem of ever increasing importance and since it is an undisputed fact that water transportation is considerably cheaper than that by land, we respectfully urge upon Congress the immediate necessity of taksure the construction and operation zations and agencies established for of the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Waterway.

Diversion of Lake Water Michigan State Farm Burean to that Western Michigan and may result in ity.

serious complications with Canada.

reaus have made large financial con-tributions to Extension work, sup-Volstead Act. We believe in the preplementing public funds and preventing the discontinuance of the work that rigid enforcement of the Prohibition laws will greatly promote our ful study as to how their tax money

Truthful Merchandizing must be impartial public servants. Federal legislation to protect the and economy. Therefore, we renew our approval of buying public against those who a program whereby the Extension would mislead or defraud them. We Service may be financed entirely by believe that more satisfactory busipublic funds, at the earliest practi- ness relations would result if the in Michigan during the past year. cable date. In the case of a county purchaser knew what he was buying. The arguments which we advanced where the Extension work is being Therefore, we heartily favor the for the enactment of this legislation financed largely by public funds we National Standard Container Bill, have all been justified. It is expectapprove the formation of a County the Capper Truth-in-Fabrics Bill and ed that the matter of highway fi-Agricultural (or Extension) Council the Gooding-Ketcham Bill to require nance will be considered at the specto formulate and direct the Extension the staining of imported alfalfa and ial session of the Michigan Legislared clover seed to show origin and to ture. At present we do not favor

Muscle Shoals determination of a policy for the operation of the great power and nitite eration of the great power and nit welfare of the American people. We

Rural Postal Service the rural mail service be made to the further law-defying delay. end that more families may receive Federal Child Labor Amendment better and more economical rural

mail delivery service. A Balanced Tariff

reau affairs. We call attention to therefore, favor no decreases in the we recommend that the schedules be trongly endorse the Home and Com- increased on those farm products Referendum on Consolidated Schools unity work of our organization and which require such increased protecirge that each County Farm Bureau tion for their profitable production.

We endorse the plan of renewing trial tariffs have enabled the Ameri- nity involved. can manufacturers to dispose of the major portion of the output on the wage scales far in excess of world averages. Other legislation has rees to various classes. However, upon farm products of which we have any appreciable exportable surplus it is a world price received for the portion sity, but we believe that the medical for the remainder of the crop which versity is so expensive in both time result is that the farmer's expendi- such course do not feel that they can We urge upon all members that tures are upon a protected, artificial- practice their profession in the rural both from the standpoint of loyalty ly stimulated American price level, communities, where remuneration against unfavorable weather or crop of rural life, we hereby ask that a failure from other causes. Produc- four year medical course with one tion slightly in excess of actual do- year interne work, be given at our consumptive requirements State University. should not penalize the farmer. We endorse any sound plan for remedying this situation and 'insuring an idle land in Michigan and in view of for that portion of agricultural pro- timber products we urge that a more amount distributed to the counties countles and the private land own-

ed below \$8,000,000 annually. services for agriculture which could the recent annual meeting of the Eastern live stock markets, including matter are appropriate taxation and igan methods and results. Detroit and Buffalo.

Standardization of Potato and Grain

Terms partment of Agriculture take appro- rapid spread and increase of the Euunder present conditions there is farmers cooperate in every way pracnuch confusion and exorbitant pric- ticable. es are charged for seed stock of old varieties which are revived and promoted under new names. Vote 73-63.

RESOLUTIONS ON MATTERS FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF THE MICHIGAN STATE LEGISLATURE

Farmer's Tax Burden We deplore the excessive tax burden which is being imposed upon handling of baby chicks. Michigan agriculture for state, coun-We emphatically insist that the ty, township and other purposes. Federal Government take whatever Confiscation of hundreds of thoudrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, widedrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, widedrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, widedrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, widedrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, widedrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, widedrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, widedrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, widedrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, widedrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, widedrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, widedrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, widedrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, widedrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, widedrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, widedrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, widedrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, widedrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, widedrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, widedrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, widedrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, widedrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, widedrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, widedrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, widedrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, widedrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, widedrastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres o drastic action is necessary to prevent sands of acres of farm land, wide- fish for their own domestic consumpthe diversion of the water of Lake spread helplessness and discourage- tion. Michigan through the Chicago Drain-age Canal. The present conditions sulting. We stress the importance of We urge that hunting on enclosed are resulting in great damage to greater economy in all our govern- land be forbidden unless the consent Michigan property owners, are en- mental units and insist that the tax of the owner or occupant of such dangering our tourist business, are burden should be shared more equit- land is first obtained. jeopardizing the fruit industry of ably in proportion to tax paying abil-

State Income Tax

is spent, with a view of increasing public intelligence upon this impor-We favor the prompt enactment of tant matter and promoting efficiency

Highway Finance We note with satisfaction the sucimpose heavy penalties for misbrand- legislation to bring in any larger total revenues for highway purposes than is now derived from the gas tax We deplore the costly delay in the and the weight tax. If there is any

Delinquent Highway Rewards Under any circumstances we are hearty approval of the convention. efficient," Mr. Thompson asserted. bor and capital invested. of its obligations owed to the coun-

We are aware that the fact that Mrs. Reed Carty the 1925 Legislature did not ratify the proposed amendment to the Fed
W. F. Kingsbury Montcalm tions having an equal and impartial under the same highly-protected tip he told about; the givers don't ership and brought forth much latent corded to rural interests. However, under 18 years of age" does not per-talent. We do not feel that farmers are re-manently dispose of this question. Floyd Walworth Shiawassee fairs."

and feel that any evils which its proponents may seek to remedy could be Mrs. Wagar Writes About more satisfactorily dealt with by other means such as school attend-

County Superintendent of Schools We renew our endorsement of leg- Women Planning Even Now slation of the type of the Snow bill onsidered by the 1925 Legislature providing for the selection of a Coun-Superintendent of Schools by a ticipation of the women in Farm Bu- of a tariff on raw farm products. We, County Board of Education composed of five members, not more than one of whom shall be from any one Chairman Farm Bureau Home and township or city.

> We believe in following the educacan standards and American price favor any state law that makes comlevels have been artificially stimulat- pulsory the adoption of consolidated ed and raised materially above world schools in any rural community withlevels through federal legislation and out the consent of the majority of the governmental activities. High indus- qualified voters within the commu-

Collins-Gerhart Case We heartily commend and are in domestic market at prices well above full accord with the Judge Lamb de-Because agriculture is a those prevailing in other countries. cision in the so-called Collins-Ger-

> Automobile Liability Insurance We recommend compulsory public liability insurance for all drivers of

Four-Year Medical Course We rural citizens of Michigan are well known fact that the prevailing loyal supporters of our State Univerof the crop exported sets the price course given at present at the Unigoes into domestic consumption. The and money that students completing while the returns from many of his may not be so high and work may be staple farm products are upon the more arduous. Recognizing this conworld price level. This is manifest- dition and being desirous of safey unfair. Small surpluses are nec- guarding the general health and conessary to provide a margin of safety sequently prosperity and desirability

> Reforestation Program We deplore the large acreage of is lost,

advantage of the woodlet tax law on all sides, and how puzzled we are plans can be presented and made son Is Coming. Gov't Live Stock Market Reports and the commercial forest reserve We renew our former demands for tax measure enacted in 1925. We to proceed, yet he gave us great having a bigger and better Farm Bu- tention to two of your delegates here the establishment of government live feel that the two most important comfort and encouragement when he reau, working for a fuller and rich- today who are members of the House stock market news service for the problems in connection with this so generously approved of our Mich- er life for all rural Michigan. adequate fire prevention

European Corn Borer We call especial attention to the We urge that the United States De- serious situation presented by the priate action for standardizing the ropean Corn Borer. We urge that erms and variety names used in de- the State and National authorities atcribing seed potatoes and grain as tack this pest vigorously and that

We commend the State Department of Agriculture on the rigid enforcement of the inspection and grading laws of our State relative to food best should be our aim. Careful Handling of Baby Chicks

We respectfully urge railroad and Spearing Fish Through Ice

We request that farmers be allow-

"Michigan Brand" Butter We note that in many other states,

notably Iowa, brands of butter are Boys' and Girls' Club Leaders, the Home Demonstration Agents, and the Eighteenth Amendment and Volstead the principle of a state income tax supervision and that this practice has

Respectfully submitted. RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE: 1. W. J. THOMAS.

Chairman 2. E. P. REYNOLDS 3. LOREN W. READ

4. FLOYD WALWORTH FRANK ERICKSON 6. W. R. KIRK

WOMEN SERVE

Below are the member delegates ways," he said. year there was quite a sprinkling that the transportation of farm prod- share of income into towns and ciof women delegates, which met the ucts may be more economical and ties, than is just in proportion to la-CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

operation but prefer that these properties be leased to the highest bidder upon such terms as will best safe-guard and protect the interests of the public.

Of its obligations owed to the counties and townships in delinquent delinquent highest bidder upon such terms as will best safe-guard and protect the interests of the public.

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Of its obligations owed to the counties and townships in delinquent delinquent highly in favor of co-operation. St. Clair Geo. W. Bateman ... Clinton delinquent highly in favor of co-operation of farmers, saying that the provisions of the gas tax law requiring the retirement of these Robert L. Lappear are being carried out in line with our farm grapher and townships in delinquent highly in favor of co-operation of farmers, saying that the provisions of the gas tax law requiring the retirement of these Robert L. Lappear are being carried out in line with our farm grapher and townships in delinquent highly in favor of co-operation of farmers, saying that the provisions of the gas tax law required by the farm grapher and the surface of the speaker expressed himself as highly in favor of co-operation of farmers, saying that the provisions of the gas tax law required by the farm grapher and the surface of the speaker expressed himself as highly in favor of co-operation of farmers, saying that the provisions of the gas an new thing. Nothing could be farmed to the surface of the su Urges Co-operation Rural Postal Service

We recommend that a survey of back debts be complied with without We recommend that a survey of back debts be complied with without Mrs. Roy Brumm. Chairman, Barry year ago, stating that "we regard we dispose of it so that the farmer have been one of the bunch."

In the policy adopted more than a with the policy adopted more than T. C. Price .

A Balanced Tariff

The proposed amendment to the Federal constitution which would give the proposed amendment to the Federal constitution which has developed local leadership and brought forth much latent with the proposed amendment to the Federal constitution which would give the proposed amendment to the Federal constitution which would give the proposed amendment to the Federal constitution which has developed that the Fordney-transfer of the country the proposed amendment to the Federal constitution which has developed that the Fordney-transfer of the country the proposed amendment to the Federal constitution which has developed that the Fordney-transfer of the country the proposed amendment to the Federal constitution which has developed that the Fordney-transfer of the country the proposed amendment to the Federal constitution which has developed that the Fordney-transfer of the country the proposed amendment to the Federal constitution which has developed that the Fordney-transfer of the country the proposed amendment to the Federal constitution which would give the proposed amendment to the Federal constitution which may be neconcern for every character of farm-to-concern for every character of farm-We do not be the farm Bureau Affairs

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Since the essential purpose and goal of the farm Bureau centers in goal of the farm Bureau centers are the farm Bureau

Our Eighth Ann'l Meeting OF LEGISLATURE were done and were promptly re-

By MRS, EDITH M. WAGAR Community Work

For Special Program

At 1927 Meeting

We have just enjoyed the 8th andown into the business of advanc-

Yes, we're still young; yet all Michigan now knows that our organization has made it possible to farmers' shipping troubles are be- local problems that are confronting supported and so did a great many ing solved through the Farm Bua chance to secure common farm work, even in a national way. opportunities present themselves.

ments have been many. When we hour of the second day of the an- came Mr. Brody to the hearings, armgive the subject thought, we sur- nual meeting. We find women want- ed with bales of figures, to tell us prise ourselves with the number we ing to know more about our work, about the farmer views on this or find and the different channels in We appreciate the many valuable that subject under consideration. which the efforts have been going suggestions offered by women from When we take a look into the fu- every corner of our state. We want President Noon, who shook hands ture, we find our objectives extend- our women extension, workers to with us and visited and told us what ing way beyond our present vision know the extent our organization he knew of farmer opinion on the and we know we must be ever on has supported and fostered their various bills. the job giving of our best thought good work among our rural women. and judgment that no opportunity We want our Farm Bureau women Farm Bureau sent Mr.

cent banquet, that in the next dec- ing for a common good. ducts consumed in this country. Pro- aggresive policy of reforestation be ade we will all be glad we were part at times to know just the best way

Things Before Us We know that we must plan more

of our County Farm Bureaus and of

the resolutions presented at the re- organization.

Farmer Win His Way,

Says Thompson

meeting at Michigan State College, tion system.

policies is dependent upon the ex- ganizing new associations.

which enables him to co-operate with fore the war, he explained.

ricultural colleges in laying the fair share of the national income.

foundation necessary to put farming This is not a recent development,

on a sound basis in a variety of though the transfer of property from

ported to the central office, plans munity work could be given assistance and eventually become a helping factor in each local unit.

I urge every county to attend to this just as soon as possible; it is most necessary in those counties tak- the 8th annual meeting just as it ing part in the membership cam- was about to consider the resolunual meeting of the State Farm Bu- paign this summer, as we want all tions, W. J. Thomas of Kent county, members of the family helping to member of the 1925 legislature and gather together a big membership; chairman of the resolutions commitperimental stage and have settled and it is just as necessary in those tee said: counties that had campaigns in 1925 "While you are not passing bills ing and protecting the agricultural for we want to start a program of here this afternoon, as someone has community work in action as soon suggested, let me, as a member of

To Solve Local Problems

have had an opportunity to pool so many women present at the 8th thing. some of their products and have a annual meeting, some assisting as "The Farm Bureau is a presence machine ready to make other ad-delegates, some serving on commit- in the legislature. Every day we see tees, and all interested.

on having a women's conference and that is going on for the folks back Really, Farm Bureau accomplish- luncheon next year during the noon home.

workable. All with the thought of

Now we must make our plans for crowded into those two days, the the all important agricultural comthe future. We must work this year thorough report given by those in mittee, Senator Godfried Gettel of so that next year's work can be a charge, the splendid talks by Pres. Huron county. continuation of this, without radi- Thompson, Mrs. Sewell and Mr Wilaction in Michigan. The banquet and deal of weight. ommunity work among our mem- old-time dance brought about a spirit of good fellowship as nothing We need the closest co-operation has ever done before.

But while we look upon this meet our local units and of our men and ing as one of the bright spots of women and even the youngsters, to Farm Bureau history-we must let do our best,-and nothing short of it live as history and push ahead and make possible better meetings I wish every County Farm Bu- and greater accomplishments. We're reau board would carefully select a all in the mood now; let's each do express companies to instruct their munity work at once, just as was that the Farm Bureau deserves, and employees to use greater care in the recommended and endorsed among make 1926 a banner year for farm

In spite of the progress made to-

THOMAS TELLS AND FARM BUREAU

could be made whereby the com- Organized Farmer Opinion Carrier Considerable Weight

the last legislature, tell you that the Farm Bureau has been getting real Every county and every township attention from both the House and secure pure seeds of known origin; and even every school district has Senate. I voted for all the bills you its people and all they need is some others. Anything you Farm Bureau reau; Farm Bureau members know organized effort to head it up and folks asked of the last session made work them out. Why not the Farm its presence felt. The legislature relook after their interests in a leg- Bureau? The Bureau also offers a spects the opinions you arrive at islative way; they have been given tie for all degrees of agricultural here, and it knows that you are going to insist that your business be We want our women to be with taken care of, or someone will come ity through the Supply Service; they us. It was indeed gratifying to see down there to sit who will do that

your Mr. Powell there,-pencil We are planning even this early sharp, and taking down everything

"Then, if that wasn't enough, the to know and participate in this same who told us more and talked the po-Pres. Thompson of the American Extension work. In fact, we want litical situation, and thereby gave American price to American farmers the increasing scarcity of lumber and Farm Bureau said to me at our re- to bring together all agencies work- quite a few folks some nightmares used to hear the old Scotch song We hope to enlarge on this idea "The Campbells Are Coming" ided, that in no case shall the total adopted by the State, the several of this great movement. He knows during the year until next February thought it a great song; up in the how weary some of us are at times we can have an ideal get-together legislature to some folks the tune from automobile taxes to be reduc- ers. We suggest that farmers take with ever pressing duties staring us time whereby some good progressive began to take the words, "McPher-

"I should also like to call your at There were so many good features | Espie of Clinton county, chairman of

" You are not voting on bills, as son will long be remembered and someone has suggested, but what will serve as a stimulus for greater you do here today will carry a great

Delegates Prefer Thorough Try-Out Before Making Any Changes

"The present two cent gasoline tax and weight tax have been in effect only a year and have hardly had time to prove themselves," former Pres. lames Nicol, of South Haven, told the delegates during the discusion on **Necessity of Organization** resolutions covering highway maters. "They should be thoroughly tried out before any changes should

Only by Co-operation Can perimental stage, a permanent economic policy, he declared. Mr. from the resolution under considera-Thompson explained at length the tion, the delegate body placed itself service which the Farm Bureau per-forms in acting as a clearing house in the gasoline tax or weight tax dur-That the influence of farmers in organizations, and council and adsion of farmer opinion for the special We renew our insistence upon en- and suggest that a carefully considerest and vigorous enforcement of ered income tax measure be formu- price and has increased the demand.

That the influence of farmers in organizations, and council and adsign of farmer opinion for the special the development of new agricultural vice to those already engaged in organizations, and council and adsign of farmer opinion for the special the development of new agricultural vice to those already engaged in organizations, and council and adsign of farmer opinion for the special special vice to those already engaged in organizations. just convened to consider highway tent to which they are organized, is Mr. Thompson brought up the and other matters. A four cent gas the contention of Sam H. Thompson, subject of taxation, saying that the tax, abolition of the weight levy and president of the American Farm Bu- Farm Bureau deals with the equi- other combinations have been sugreau federation, who addressed near-ly 1,000 members of the Michigan ernment itself, and tries to deter-

The formal resolution on this sub-State Farm Bureau at its annual mine facts about the existing taxa- ject finally adopted by the delegates after full discussion read as follows: "At present we do not favor legis-"The Farm Bureau is fast becom- ward more efficient production, and lation to bring in any larger total ing the clearing house on which the in the field of co-operative market revenues for highway purposes than thinking farmer depends for his in- ing the farmer still lags behind with is now derived from the gas tax and formation to help him to a better un- a purchasing power of only about 87 the weight tax. If there is any derstanding of his own business and per cent of that which he enjoyed be- change in these taxes we prefer that his neighbors to solve many prob- "The farmer must see that a real weight tax be decreased or disconthe gas tax be increased and the lems which cannot be solved by agricultural policy is adopted for tinued entirely and permanent farmers as individuals. To an in- America to bring his products into license plates be issued to be valid creasing degree it is becoming the fair relationship with that of labor for the life of the car; provided that voice of the farmer in these prob- of other groups," said Mr. Thomp- in no case shall the total amount dislems. It is co-operating with the ag- son. "The farmer is not getting 2 tributed to the counties from automobile taxes be reduced below \$8,000,000 annually.

Michigan State Farm Bureau, "Some people talk about the sur- Lansing, Michigan.

with the policy adopted more than a with our farm problem. How can that old familiar music; wish I could

Saginaw the American Farm Bureau and in can get an American price for what I wish a lot of my neighbors could calhoun turn, the State and County Farm Bu- he sells at home and thus afford him have heard Mr. Wilson's talk, but

but a lot of them don't seem to know

TERRY S. BARBER.

TWELVE MILLION **POUNDS OF FRENCH CLOVER SEED HERE**

Nearly Three Million Pounds Came During Past Three Weeks

PLENTY FOR MIDWEST

Enough Here Now to Plant 11/4 Million Acres to French Clover

During the past three weeks, almost 3,000,000 more pounds of French red clover seed have arrived in the United States for sale to American farmers.

The total imports of French seed since last October now stands at 12. 263,788 pounds, enough to sow 1. 226,378 acres solid to French red clover seed of very doubtful value for this climate. State College and will be carried out by local leader

to Feb. 6, inclusive, the Farm Burean News learns that 2,963,100 lbs. of French clover seed arrived, principally from Havre, France. A small shipment of 31,500 pounds of Italian red clover arrived from Naples, Italy It is believed that considerable. aly, It is believed that considerable and community problems and inter-Italian seed is coming through ests is almost wholly virgin soil for France and arrives here as French ests is almost represented effort. To il-

As usual, Toledo and the Midwest imports. For the three weeks ending Feb. 6, Toledo got 703,500 lbs. of French red clover, which, added to what she has received so far for the 1926 season, makes a total of to the truth that each person has ported for Toledo, enough to sow part to play in community affairs. 295,604 acres at 10 lbs. to the acre.

Here are the Midwest points supplying Michigan and other states operate as neighborhoods; side road who took nearly 3,000,000 lbs. of highway improvement cannot be had French seed during the past three by single-handed effort, as a rule weeks to add to the enormous stocks group action brings about needed they have taken earlier in the sea-changes in rural school methods

Milwaukee . 231,000 lbs. Crawfordsville, Ind 105,000 lbs. Richmond, Ind. .. 31,500 lbs. Buffalo 42,000 lbs. St. Louis 31,500 lbs. Lincoln, Neb. 31,500 lbs.

Not far from half of all the imported French red clover seed for ment of this broader program with the 1926 season is now in the mid greater local activity, are without dle west states. No one is going to question the most important probe able to tell it from domestic seed blems before the Michigan State unless it is sold in sacks labeled, Farm Bureau, They must be solved, "French seed," which has not been the practice, and is not likely to be of 12,000,000 lbs, or more of important and helpful poli-ported French seed in the country cach year. A seed staining hill has ch year. A seed staining hill has State Farm Bureau. been presented Congress by the in co-operation with the County new day. The year has shown en-

ELEVATOR EXCH.

WHEAT-During the last three \$1,500. years Michigan farmers have been using the month of February to sell is employed and an office is located money and effort, many serious miswheat, and it has been a good as nearly central to the territory as takes and losses, most of which, in as nearly central to the territory as takes and losses, most of which, in three years it has been the highest work under a central committee contral committee contral as nearly central committee contral committee c month during the entire crop year. There has been a very heavy move- sisting of one representative chosen and discouraging as many of these ment of wheat in Michigan for the by each of the County Farm Bureau experiences were at the time, when last three weeks and we believe that boards and one chosen by the State viewed from the advanced position fully 500 cars of wheat have been sold by our Michigan farmers within This committee is known as the Tritoday with its hopeful outlook. I the past thirty days, at very good County District Committee.

will be realized.

RYE-Very little export demand employed as district manager. and not much milling demand, with the result that rye is bringing a very Nothing to indicate much better de- tail, it will be the district manager's mand.

ment in prices.

stocks of damp beans held by the bership, inform the member groups farmers are at least partially cleaned up, not much chance for the bean transportation problems of concern market. Buyers are afraid to take to the farmer, and establish contacts in stocks of Michigan beans, and for aggressive local action in legisla there will be lots of trouble and tion and other Farm Bureau projworry about musty beans for the months of March. April and May. We are all sick about the present low member.

Public Advance Is Before Farm Bureau

mitted that the farm women fall the counties whose Farm Bureaus are (Continued from page one) heir to a lot of hard work and voic- not using their money in support of ed the opinion that rural women the county agent work, later extendearn all they receive in the way of ing the district plan over the state advantages of farm and family life. as County Farm Bureau funds now She showed how women have work- going into county agent work are ed together in various community partially or wholly replaced by pubactivities and prophesied that their lic or other money.

Sec'y Brody Reports Bureau's 1925 Work funds, will be free to perform any (Continued from page two) only, at the main community center

of the county will best meet the need am not certain. Possibly the plan will have to be varied in the different counties, but whatever the mechanics of the proposition require, Farm Bureau members must have the opportunity to meet, think and act together. This will develop an organization consciousness and a feeling of distinction from non-members Such a plan will at the same time emphasize to the non-member that he is on the outside and he will be the more likely to join when open meetings are held by the local membership or when he attends a reg-

The Farm Bureau member must have recognition. It requires something more than the payment of his dues to make him feel that he belongs. The non-member, on the other hand, must be made to feel more keenly his being on the outside.

Projects of local, county, state and nation-wide interest that can and U. S. Dep't of Agriculture tests show ship must be outlined by State and that it winter kills severely in this County Farm Bureaus and every climate and is susceptible to disease.

During the three weeks, Jan. 16

members to originate and develop a 4. It lustrate, I cannot do better . than vestigation and the Eastern Class posed to importations of French or As usual, Toledo and the Midwest quote from a recent article in the got a big share of the foreign seed Michigan Farm Bureau News by Director Mrs. Edith Wagar:

"The first and most difficult thing ing. for each of us is to do our part in converting the entire neighborhood

"Electricity for farm people never can be had commonly until we comuch more pleasantly and much sooner than individual grumbling; local tax reforms do not come of themselves, but can be secured by united effort, and so the list goes on. As Farm Bureau groups we can adjust ourselves to the proper method

Greater distinction for the Farm Bureau member and the develop-

Farm Bureau District Project The Farm Bureau District project with farmers, feeling as they de recently inaugurated by the Michigan sion of the Farm Bureau District

State Board of Directors. A budget moving forward. of around \$6,000 is established by the County and State Farm Bureaus. MARKETS REPORT In the case of a district of three close. I am prompted to take a counties each County Farm Bureau back sight over the experiences of contributes one-fourth, or \$1,500; the past six years, and note the great Lansing, Feb. 11.—The Exchange and the Michigan State Farm Bu-progress made by Michigan farmers reau the remaining one-fourth or.

District Manager's Duties While a complete district program BEANS-Until the present large is his business to maintain the mem-

> In order not to disturb or disrupt extension activities, it is the policy of the Michigan State Farm Bureau in co-operation with the County Farm Bureaus concerned to first district

interest in the Farm Bureau would prove helpful in promoting a well-has now developed to the stage where which they collected for me. This rounded and more serviceable pro- it must solidify its membership and service is sufficient to pay my Farm gram for the Farm Bureau, and she carry on a more aggressive program Bureau dues for the next three asked their support to that end." than was possible under old condi-years."

tions. The district manager, being New Information On paid entirely from Farm Bureau reasonable service desired by the

nembership. With from fifteen to twenty of these districts covering the state, wih a capable manager in each one, as it may be possible to have eventually, we will have a compact, ag- Kirkland, manager of the factory of gressively functioning organization the Battle Creek Food Company. This with its serviceableness, power and influence multiplied many times. Summary of 1925

1. The many and varied operations of 1925, as a whole, have served the farmer and his family in near ly every field of his endeavor. The year has witnessed material improvement in service and financial progular meeting as the guest of a mem- ress of the Farm Bureau business services and departments. Important new business contacts have been formed and information and expe rience accumulated that is indispensable to the welfare of the farmer.

2. The Michigan Farm Bureau News has forged ahead and now ranks as one of the very best State Farm Bureau papers in the United

3. Your organization has been wholly or largely responsible for the accomplishment of numerous lines of legislation of vital concern to the

of the largest transportation cases in the history of the country, namely, the Congressional Freight Rate In-Rate Case; and it has been serviceable in a multitude of miscellaneous projects that are continually appear-

5. The clarification and developand service,

of a broader program and clarified French red clover for Battle Creek, and distinct Farm Bureau organiza; tion of the membership only, from the individual through the community and pounty to the state and naional Farm Bureaus. The need of greater distinction between the member and the non-member has be come everywhere apparent.

7. The Farm Bureau District proect also was started the latter part Farm Bureau. The text of the bill Farm Bureau boards concerned, couraging progress The Farm Bureau will be given in the agent beared to the American will be given in an early issue of the three or more counties are approved as a Farm Bureau District by our Farm Bureau Federation has been

In Conclusion As I bring this 1925 report to a in organization accomplishment. It is true that a back sight reveals A Farm Bureau District Manager some inefficiency, some waste of cannot help but feel that the mis-

The first and only district thus far takes of our organization in its in-We think that any farmer who can established comprises the counties of experienced youth have contributed sell his wheat for \$1.75 or better. Shiawassee, Genesee and Lapeer, to the Farm Bureau more than they should sell. This is a good price with the central office at Flint. Her- cost. Adversity has exposed, as noth-Some people are holding for \$2.00, man Ratering, of Holland, one of the ing else could, the weak and danger most successful and leading co-operative managers in the state, has been Bureau, and has made a contribution Do Your but we do not believe their hopes most successful and leading co-oper- ous spots in the Michigan State Farm to future growth and safety that is

Then as we turn to take a forward poor price compared with wheat, has not yet been worked out in de- look and see tasks ahead infinitely greater, more difficult and important duty to see that the Farm Bureau than anything accomplished in the OATS-The big crop raised last members in all sections of his dis- past, with a constantly enlarging summer has served to hold prices trict have working contacts with the sphere of usefulness and service for down, but for the next three months State Farm Bureau business and our great Farm Bureau, with our demand for oats will be better and other services, and be of the greatest ideals flying on forever beyond our we should have some little improve- possible local service to the various grasp, I can write no better closcommodity marketing exchanges. It ing sentence than these three lines taken from Tennyson:

Yet all experience is an arch, where through Gleams that untraveled world whose margin fades Forever and forever when we move."

WROTE TRAFFIC DEP'T; SAVED \$30

Union City, Feb. 8 .- "Here's some thing for the farmer who thinks i loesn't pay to belong to the Farm Bureau," says Frank Dovey, Branch County Farm Bureau member of

'Some time ago I sent two teams of horses to Moran, Michigan. The freight on them was \$109. Not sat State Farm Bureau Traffic department for investigation. They found

Battle Creek Shipment

(Continued from page one) H. C. King & Sons have furnished the editor of the Farm Bureau News with a sworn statement covering this information relating to the Food Company, from Mr. Bertram C. pleasure in publishing as a part of

H. C. King & Sons further advise the News that it cleans French psyllium seed for the Battle tain family plant, (Plantaginaceae) from it other seeds, etc. The News known as Red Clover as this deponwas shown duplicate copies of psyl-lium seed cleaning orders from the ent says that said quantity of seed Food Company to H. C. King & was purchased and received by the Mr. King that the import duty on use in its manufacture and selling psyllium seed is about the same as on French red clover seed.

These statements by H. C. King & Sons and Mr. Bertram Kirkland of the Battle Creek Food Company indicate that among 18,458 bags of French seed reported as French red clover (3,000,000 lbs.), which arrived from France between Dec. 12 and Jan. 2, there were included 65 bags of French psyllium seed for the Bat-

tle Creek Food Company of Battle Creek, Michigan, and that with the import duty about the same, they were mistakenly reported as French red clover for Battle

Creek. The Farm Bureau News is glad to publish Mr. King's statements and the affidavit of Mr. Kirkland, given

at the close of this article. other clover and alfalfs seed of doubtful value and climatic adaption, and is publishing the facts concerning its arrival and destination as a means of combating it, the News is ment of Farm Bureau membership just as quick to regret any mistake policies and methods during the past in its information that might untwelve months have removed many knowingly cause embarrassment to uncertainties that were hindering our any firm. It is just as prompt to progress. It is now clear that the publish such statements as submitted Farm Bureau must be founded on the above, which satisfy the News that rock of individual membership and there was a shipment of 65 bags of rooted in the soil of active commun- French psyllium seed to Battle Creek. ity organization interest, activity Michigan, early in January for the Battle Creek Food Company and 6. The year has shown the need that it was mistakenly reported as

Detroit Poultry Market

As given by Mich. Farm Burcau Poultry Exch., 2610 Riopelle street, Feb. 11, 1926:

Receipts of poultry are light and of the year. This has almost un-trading is dull. Consumers are not limited possibilities and is one of taking the offerings available at prethe most important steps ever taken valling high prices. Small springers by the Farm Bureau, and the extent and pullets weighing 2% to 3 lbs. are in very good demand at 31 to about French and Italian seed. Un State Farm Bureau Board of Direct project over the state, with whattil such seed is stained at port of entry, farmers will be at the mercy of 12,000,000 lbs, or more of im-

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isfied with the bill, I sent it to the Mich. Live Stock Exch. at Detroit

Michigan, Following is Mr. Kirk-

and's affidavit State of Michigan, County of Cal.

Bertram C. Kirkland, a resident of the City of Battle Creek. Michigan, being duly sworn deposes and says that he is the Manager in charge of the factory operated by the Battle Creek Food Company near the City of Battle Creek. Deponent says that on or about the 11th day of January. sworn statement the News takes 1926, the Battle Creek Food Comthis article, in the interests of fair pany received from France a shipment of sixty-five bags of Psyllium seed, weighing approximately fourteen thousand pounds; that said Psy lium seed is a member of the Plan-Creek Food Company, removing and is in no wise related to the plant Sons. The News is also advised by Battle Creek Food Company for operations, and that the said Psvllium seeds were not purchased for the selling, giving away, or in any wise distributing the same for use as seed in propagating plant life.

BERTRAM C. KIRKLAND Subscribed and sworn to before me his 2nd day of February, 1926. VERNER W. MAIN

My commission expires May 3

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SECRETARY



has been engaged by the State Board of Directors to pilot the Bu-Notary Public, Calhoun County, reau through 1926.

Change In Ionia County Agr'l Agent System

Ionia, Feb. 10-The Ionia County Farm Bureau has discontinued the Michigan State college extension work which has been carried on un

der the direction of the county agent.

This follows refusal of the board of supervisors to renew its customary contribution toward the salary

of the agent. As another result of the action of the supervisors the question of a county nurse, in which the Red Cross and women's clubs are inter-

ested, now is up in the air. It is indicated, however, both the extension work and the nurse will be made available through private subscription.

WEATHER DAMAGED BEANS

Mr. J. E. Sherman says:—
"I want to tell you of my best experience with my bean picker:
Mr. Fred Heisler raised sixty acres of beans this year. He threshed part of them and some he stacked and is feeding to his cows and sheep. The beans that he threshed tested so high at the elevator that he could not sell them.
He saw my advertisement in the paper and brought a load of 25 bags to my flower to try my picker out. I ran them thru twice and got nearly 11 bags of culls and 15 bags of good beans that tested two (2%) pounds when be took them to the elevator. That is the best job I have done yet.

Mr. Helsler brought another load that I finished to a 4 pound pick, and is coming with another load Monday. He wishes the State Farm Bureau since 1921, has been engaged by the State

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J. C. Cash is Manistee's New Agricultural Agent

Manistee, Feb. 1 .- Justin C. Cash, graduate of the Michigan State Colege, has been approved by the executive committee of the Manistee
County Farm Bureau as this county's
new agr'l agent, to succeed Harold
Vaughn, who has become Oakland
county's agr'l agent. Mr. Cash comes
highly recommended for his new
work. Mr. Vaughn is proceeding to
get acquainted in Oakland county,
where he may be expected to make
the same kind of a splendid record
that he made in Manistee county. Mr.
Cash came to Manistee from Pontiac, Michigan.

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