MICHIGAN FARMERS HAVE ACHIEVED SOME REMARKABLE RESULTS IN LESS THAN SEVEN YEARS OF ORGANIZATION

Farm Bureau Movement Winning in Legislative Matters; Has Made Quality the Keynote Of Michigan Co-operative Business; The Organization is Growing

Looking back over the past 56 years, it is seen that great progress has been made by Michigan farmers organized in the Michigan State Farm Bureau.

These farmers have worked out a regular program of agricultural advancement from legislative, co-operative marketing, transportation, public improvement, educational and community building standpoints, and the thing is growing.

The Farm Bureau movement has completed a number of the tasks to which it set itself, principally matters of legislation and transportation. It has established in Michigan the principles of truthfulness and trustworthiness and has made the keynote of co-operative business. These principles have grown into great co-operative services, available to farmers throughout the state. Many problems have been worked out; others are in the process of being worked out, and there are many farm problems awaiting the time when organized effort can get to them.

Below is a statement of what farmers in the Michigan Farm Bureau movement have established for the betterment of their business and home life.

I. An organized means of solving the perplexing problems of production, grading and marketing.

II. The means for locating, developing and using the State College agricultural education program for farmers, including the work of the State College agents, home demonstration agents and boys’ and girls’ club leaders.

III. A Farm Bureau Seed Service providing:

A. A reliable source of agricultural seed which is true to variety and adapted to Michigan conditions.
B. A co-operative seed association competition raising local price levels.
C. United States Shipping Board W. S. Hill.
D. Elevator Exchange.
E. Independent institution.
F. A source of technical information.

IV. A Farm Bureau Supply Service which enables farmers an organized power of the farm, under arrangement with various governmental boards and associations.

A. Independent institution.
B. Co-operative association for what farmer sells.
C. Farmers’ Co-operative Elevator Exchange.
D. Federation of Illinois State Elevators.
E. Independent institution.
F. Independent institution.

V. A Farm Bureau Market Service for:

A. A source of technical information.
B. A reliable source of agricultural seed which is true to variety and adapted to Michigan conditions.
C. Federal Reserve Board, E. H. Cunningham.
D. Independent institution.
E. Independent institution.
F. Independent institution.

VI. The Farm Bureau has shown that co-operative associations are putting on a Tri-County banquet of which will be conducted by the Linden Club in Tuscola County, this season’s plantings. About ten acres of corn have been planted.

VII. Farm Bureau services other than elevator, seed, and supply.

A. A source of technical information.
B. Independent institution.
C. Independent institution.
D. Independent institution.
E. Independent institution.
F. Independent institution.

VIII. The Farm Bureau News gives membership valuable information on what organized agriculture is doing and can do in the fight against taxation, grading and marketing, and other problems.

The Farm Bureau organization has given Michigan farmers an organized power in transportation matters and enables them to be capable and properly represented.

A. Independent institution.
B. Independent institution.
C. Independent institution.
D. Independent institution.
E. Independent institution.
F. Independent institution.

X. Farm Bureau Organization gives farmers offensive and defensive power in legislation.

A. Independent institution.
B. Independent institution.
C. Independent institution.
D. Independent institution.
E. Independent institution.
F. Independent institution.

ELEVY EXCHANGE
1926 BEAN POOL IS UNDER WAY

Plum Unanimously Approved At Growers’ Meeting

FARM RELIEF BILLS OVERSHADOW ALL ELSE IN CONGRESS

Every Family in Farmers Club to Join Farm Bureau

London Club in Tuscola County Approves Bureau’s

To The Reader

FARM BUREAU NEWS

MAY 14, 1925

S A ■ 

HELPED BEST WHO HELP THEMSELVES.

Michigan Members Planning Greatest Volunteer Effort

30 COUNTIES ARE IN SIMULTANEOUS MEMBERSHIP ENLISTMENT PLAN WITH 6,000 VOLUNTEER WORKERS IN FIELD

Will be the Greatest Farmer Movement of Its Kind Ever Attempted; Success of Gooding-Ketcham Seed Staining Bill Shows Power of the Farm Bureau

Any movement that will induce some 6,000 men in some 30 counties to volunteer several days of their time to invite their friends to come in with them, is something

That is what is happening in Michigan today. Members of 30 county Farm Bureaus are planning on a week-long simultaneous membership enlistment during the last week of May and the first week of June, when they will give their time to invite as many friends to join as possible.

These men and their wives are interested in the future of the farm as a business and as a home. They are satisfied that Farm Bureau organization has won advances for farming that we otherwise would not have had.

Seed Staining Act An Example

Less than three weeks ago President Coolidge signed the Gooding-Ketcham seed staining bill into law. The act makes a tax of 10 cents a pound of red clover and alfalfa seed that enters into commerce. It is the first tax paid on seed since the Civil War.

The act will thus force the producer to pay a tax on his seed. The producer may not be able to recoup these taxes from his customers, and the actual cost of the tax will be added to the price of seed. It is estimated that the tax will increase the cost of seed from 25 cents to 40 cents per pound.

The act is the result of years of work by farmers and farm organizations to get the seed staining bill passed. The bill was passed from the American Farm Bureau men, with help from Michigan. The American and middle west Farm Bureaus organized the middle west and far west to support this bill, whose enactment will soon determine the real value of over 33,000,000 pounds of red clover and alfalfa seeds imported annually.

Inedible, useless to him and not stable under the various conditions that are brought into this country and passed on to the farmer as domestic seed.

Most of the testimony which got this bill out of Congress was by committee hearing where many witnesses were brought in and the bill went through another committee hearing where the bill finally passed. Michigan farmers have gone into the courts and have been given a great deal of opportunity to present their case.

Enforced by this successful law, Farm Bureau men throughout southern, central and north central Michigan, where the 30 counties in the membership enlistment are located, and win to more members to tackle other problems after farmers.

The coming simultaneous membership enlistment in 30 counties by some 6,000 volunteer member workers is the largest farmer effort of its kind ever attempted. It will succeed.

Seventy Open Meetings Being Held This Week

You Are Invited to Hear Noted State Speakers

Who Are Appearing on 30 County Farm Bureau Programs

Several thousand Farm Bureau members and their friends attended 110 open meetings held in a number of counties last week. Thirty counties are holding from six to nine meetings; 70 days will be held during the week of May 17.

The State Farm Bureau is sending its best speakers to these meettngs. It has invited the Boy and National Farm Bureau work and bringing in to the community a picture of the agricultural situation of today and the near future. The programs have been arranged as far as possible to put on the best possible show on legislation, co-operative marketing and organization and other subjects to speak in the various counties.

You are cordially invited to attend these meetings, to partake of the exercises, to be informed of the state of the art and to learn the best method of the change for better for agriculture, by such speakers as William H. Moore, J. M. Ketcham, Dr. M. G. Gooding, M. G. Gooding, E. H. Cunningham, Fred. S. Grewell, C. M. Kidman, Stanley M. Foster, Dr. W. W. Dohi, Wm. Burton, C. E. Brody, Mrs. Ralph Wagner, Mrs. Isabel Kitchin and Mrs. Oscar Picklesimer.

Meetings scheduled for the week of May 17 are given below. Watch local papers and other announcements for final details as to time of meetings. Practically all meetings are evening meetings.
Michigan Farmers Achieve Some Remarkable Results

XI. Our Methods are legislative devices which have been employed for years by other organized groups and classes to secure their desires.

XII. Farm Bureau Legislative Accomplishments:

1. State
   a. State legislation, severally secured
   i. OFA's school bond refund bill
   ii. OFA's support of the state's small rural credit institutions
   iii. Michigan's new law for rural electric cooperatives
   iv. Amendments to our present laws
   v. Agriculture 
   vi. Conventions and conventions
   vii. Appropriations for statewide quals.
   viii. Appropriations for various state agencies
   ix. Appropriations for various state programs
   x. Appropriations for various state 
   xi. Appropriations for various state 
   xii. Appropriations for various state 
   xiii. Appropriations for various state 
   xiv. Appropriations for various state 
   xv. Appropriations for various state 
   xvi. Appropriations for various state 
   xvii. Appropriations for various state 
   xviii. Appropriations for various state 
   xix. Appropriations for various state 
   xx. Appropriations for various state 
   xxi. Appropriations for various state 
   xxii. Appropriations for various state 
   xxiii. Appropriations for various state 
   xxiv. Appropriations for various state 
   xxv. Appropriations for various state 
   xxvi. Appropriations for various state 
   xxvii. Appropriations for various state 
   xxviii. Appropriations for various state 
   xxix. Appropriations for various state 
   xxx. Appropriations for various state 
   xxxi. Appropriations for various state 
   xxxii. Appropriations for various state 
   xxxiii. Appropriations for various state 
   xxxiv. Appropriations for various state 
   xxxv. Appropriations for various state 
   xxxvi. Appropriations for various state 
   xxxvii. Appropriations for various state 
   xxxviii. Appropriations for various state 
   xxxix. Appropriations for various state 
   xli. Appropriations for various state 
   xlii. Appropriations for various state 
   xliii. Appropriations for various state 
   xlv. Appropriations for various state 
   xlvii. Appropriations for various state 
   xlviii. Appropriations for various state 
   xlix. Appropriations for various state 
   l. Appropriations for various state 
   li. Appropriations for various state 
   lii. Appropriations for various state 
   liii. Appropriations for various state 
   lixiv. Appropriations for various state 
   lix. Appropriations for various state 
   lx. Appropriations for various state 
   lxii. Appropriations for various state 
   lxiii. Appropriations for various state 
   lxiv. Appropriations for various state 
   lxv. Appropriations for various state 
   lxvi. Appropriations for various state 
   lxvii. Appropriations for various state 
   lxviii. Appropriations for various state 
   lxix. Appropriations for various state 
   lxx. Appropriations for various state 
   lxxi. Appropriations for various state 
   lxxii. Appropriations for various state 
   lxxiii. Appropriations for various state 
   lxxiv. Appropriations for various state 
   lxxv. Appropriations for various state 
   lxxvi. Appropriations for various state 
   lxxvii. Appropriations for various state 
   lxxviii. Appropriations for various state 
   lxxix. Appropriations for various state 
   lxxx. Appropriations for various state 
   lxxxi. Appropriations for various state 
   lxxxii. Appropriations for various state 
   lxxxi. Appropriations for various state 
   lxxxiii. Appropriations for various state 
   lxxxiv. Appropriations for various state 
   lxxxv. Appropriations for various state 
   lxxxvi. Appropriations for various state 
   lxxxvii. Appropriations for various state 
   lxxxviii. Appropriations for various state 
   lxxxix. Appropriations for various state 
   xc. Appropriations for various state 
   xci. Appropriations for various state 
   xcii. Appropriations for various state 
   xciii. Appropriations for various state 
   xciv. Appropriations for various state 
   xcix. Appropriations for various state 
   c. National Legislation
   i. Federal legislation
   ii. Appropriations by Congress
   iii. Appropriations by the federal government

TO ATTEND THE Hearings of the Congressional Finance Committee at Washington which is to make recommendations on tax policy, farm relief or other legislation that may make considerable dollars' difference in the cost of conducting your business for a year?

TO OR TO ATTEND the hearings of the Interstate Commerce Commission and present facts and data to the public which will be heard by the farmers' freight rates?

TO OR TO SUBMIT evidence before the Michigan State Tax Commission and the Unemployment Commission of Lansing which will be used to influence legislation that will affect your tax structure?

TO OR TO SUBMIT evidence before the Michigan State Tax Commission and the Unemployment Commission of Lansing which will be used to influence legislation that will affect your tax structure?

TO OR TO ATTEND the hearings of the Interstate Commerce Commission and present facts and data to the public which will be heard by the farmers' freight rates?

TO OR TO SUBMIT evidence before the Michigan State Tax Commission and the Unemployment Commission of Lansing which will be used to influence legislation that will affect your tax structure?

TO OR TO SUBMIT evidence before the Michigan State Tax Commission and the Unemployment Commission of Lansing which will be used to influence legislation that will affect your tax structure?
These Maps Show Counties Sharing $500,000 Freight Rate Reform In Which Farm Bureau Played a Big Part

Order To Remove Track At Sandston

The conference's decision that the line in question no longer serves a public purpose is based upon a finding that the removal of the track would result in a saving to the shipper of 10 cents a ton and that removal would be in harmony with the recommendations of the Interstate Commerce Commission. The saving to the shipper would result from a reduction of 10 cents a ton which the commission authorized as the basis for a new rate to be established.

Zone Rate Reduction Worth $175,000

To Potato, Bean and Hay Growers

Farm Bureau Presented Farmers' Side of Case

Industrial Shippers' Ass'ns and Farm Bureau Fought Freight Rate Case Four Years at Lansing and Washington

"Michigan agriculture—represented by the Michigan State Farm Bureau, the Michigan Industrial Shippers' Association, and the Lansing state delegation—has gained in four years of persistence, a reduction in Michigan freight rates that promises to total $500,000 annually for farmers. The reduction was made effective September 10, 1925," said the Michigan Farm Bureau News of the decision of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

The freight rate reduction which we are now enjoying was made in the system of "zone rates" which the railroads in Michigan in effect under and above the regular mileage rates. It is called the Michigan Zone System and is illustrated by the map above, charge is made for each zone north.

Two years ago Michigan shippers sought to abolish the whole zone idea, which, from 1917 to Sept. 10, 1925, was estimated to be costing Michigan shippers about $1,500,000 annually in extra freight. Industrial shippers were represented by the Michigan Industrial Shippers' Association, presented the zone idea. The case was fought in several hearings at Lansing and at Washington.

In hearings in May, 1923, the Farm Bureau presented witnesses and exhibits from 50 farming counties, whose evidence on the unjustness of the zone system was most disturbing to the shippers. The Farm Bureau contributed the largest financial support to the shippers' case. The case was fought in several hearings at Lansing and at Washington.

On Dec. 31, 1923, the Interstate Commerce Commission at Washington handed down a sweeping decision (docketing No. 529, Mays 1925), which, in effect, ruled that the zone idea was a violation of the law and that the Interstate Commerce Commission must cease operating the zone idea.

Just before the decision was made to operate the railroads instead of removing the case for an examination of their evidence, which meant that the zone idea would be "put to bed," the decision was made to cease operating the zone idea.

The zone idea was put to bed on the basis of the zone idea being a violation of the law.

It is estimated that the above reductions will mean a saving of about $1,000,000 for Michigan farmers, which will go back to the farmers in the form of reduced freight rates.

How The Zone Rate Victory Reduces Your Freight Bills

If you live in old Zone I, now merged with Zone C, the reduction on the 6 classes of freight is $1.80 per carload of 20,000 lb., $2.40 per carload of 50,000 lb., $3.60 per carload of 100,000 lb. and $4.80 per carload of 150,000 lb.

If you live in old Zone C, the reduction on the 6 classes of freight is $1.20 per carload of 20,000 lb., $1.80 per carload of 50,000 lb., $2.40 per carload of 100,000 lb. and $2.80 per carload of 150,000 lb.

If you live in old Zone D, now merged with Zone C, the reduction on the 6 classes of freight is $1.80 per carload of 20,000 lb., $2.40 per carload of 50,000 lb., $3.60 per carload of 100,000 lb. and $4.80 per carload of 150,000 lb.

In some instances, the reductions will amount to more than $5.00 per carload, as in the case of Zone D, where the reduction will amount to about $5.00 per carload.

How the reductions will affect you will depend upon the nature of your business, the nature of your freight, and the distance it is shipped. It is estimated that the average reduction will be about $2.00 per carload.
TAX REFORM CAN BE SECURED ONLY BY GROUP ACTION
Classifieds Favored by Present
Plan Won't Worry About Our
Troubles
IS ENTIRELY UP TO US
Farmers Pay For Organization
Whether or Not They
Have It
When farmers begin to take
matters into their own hands, by
immediately forming groups that
will seek to improve their
business, they have taken the
first step toward a permanent
solution of their problems.

As the Michigan Farm Bureau
institutes of Co-operation and
the American Institute of Co-
operation have shown, the
acquisition of a voice in
national bodies of
gerontology is
increasingly necessary to
the effective
and legislative solution of
questions affecting
agricultural
and industrial condi-
tions. The effect will be
far-reaching, this voice
in Congress and
in national
bureaus will have
an
influence upon
laws, upon
marketing
practices, and
upon your
own
business.

For a
time now
people have
been
very enthusiastic about any proposal
which confronts Michigan
problems. We cannot logically expect
reform to be brought to us on a silver
plate. We pay for organization even when
we don't have it. We paid for it in
many good citizens out of some
brotherly state and now we are
admitted to the society.

The Michigan
and
the American Institute of
Co-operation, which is
directed at the University of
Michigan, have
an
organization and a program
which
can
be
and
will
begin
to
take
a
very
serious
interest
in
Michigan constitutes but
such
economic
and
social conditions
as
us long for organization
in
Michigan agriculture to have the
true function of the Farm
Bureau member. Reference, Montrose
Bureau member. Reference, Montrose

AT ZEELAND. Anconas—1st Cock, 1st Hen. 
CHICKS FOR SALE—Rocks and Reds 
Buyer's Catalogue
FREE CATALOG—Fully descriptive and Informative shows how you can have b
In, 1925 the pool bought

our breeding methods where we

CHICKS FOR SALE—Rocks and Reds

 Freemasons—6th Cock, 5th Hen.

MICHIGAN FARM BUREAU NEWS
suppliers. Write to 320 Michigan St., E. Buffalo.

Inasmuch as the chicks started
from the start, they had to be
shown
them
just
that
right.

FREE CATALOG—Fully descriptive and Informative shows how you can have b

MICHIGAN FARM BUREAU

500 Farmers Agree
On Four Things

It is interesting and profitable to observe what
other men have learned in their feeding practice.
A short time can make a big difference in the
profitability of any farm. The Michigan
farms who have been feeding Michigan
Milk from one to four years, and asked them
what they had observed regarding this

The replies brought out many valuable feeding
experiences and food combinations.

We observed that: That in one way or another,
the writers’ observations on the results of feeding
Milk maker could be summed up in four general

1. Our cows are in much better flesh and condition.

2. We have a larger and steadier milk flow.

3. Cows are better developed and more strong at

4. Cows are free from trouble at calving time.

Michigan Milk maker’s formula appreciates that
the milk product of a cow depends upon her
development from birth. Milk maker’s 13
milk-making ingredients were chosen not only for
immediate greater production, but for greater and more
economical production and two years hence. Cow
feeding tests on Milk maker feed beds are testify-
ing as to the success of the formula.

We are not selling Milk maker merely as a feed, but
as the means to greater and economies of
production, better hands and a better calf crop.
Milk maker, 24% protein, is the original good
quality protein, guarantees 1,560 lbs. of
digestible protein. Since 500 Michigan co-op
handle Milk maker. Try a ton and watch your

Michigan Farm Bureau Supply Service
Lansing, Michigan

Michigan

500 Farmers Agree
On Four Things

It is interesting and profitable to observe what
other men have learned in their feeding practice.
A short time can make a big difference in the
profitability of any farm. The Michigan
farms who have been feeding Michigan
Milk from one to four years, and asked them
what they had observed regarding this

The replies brought out many valuable feeding
experiences and food combinations.

We observed that: That in one way or another,
the writers’ observations on the results of feeding
Milk maker could be summed up in four general

1. Our cows are in much better flesh and condition.

2. We have a larger and steadier milk flow.

3. Cows are better developed and more strong at

4. Cows are free from trouble at calving time.

Michigan Milk maker’s formula appreciates that
the milk product of a cow depends upon her
development from birth. Milk maker’s 13
milk-making ingredients were chosen not only for
immediate greater production, but for greater and more
economical production and two years hence. Cow
feeding tests on Milk maker feed beds are testify-
ing as to the success of the formula.

We are not selling Milk maker merely as a feed, but
as the means to greater and economies of
production, better hands and a better calf crop.
Milk maker, 24% protein, is the original good
quality protein, guarantees 1,560 lbs. of
digestible protein. Since 500 Michigan co-op
handle Milk maker. Try a ton and watch your

Michigan Farm Bureau Supply Service
Lansing, Michigan

Michigan

500 Farmers Agree
On Four Things

It is interesting and profitable to observe what
other men have learned in their feeding practice.
A short time can make a big difference in the
profitability of any farm. The Michigan
farms who have been feeding Michigan
Milk from one to four years, and asked them
what they had observed regarding this

The replies brought out many valuable feeding
experiences and food combinations.

We observed that: That in one way or another,
the writers’ observations on the results of feeding
Milk maker could be summed up in four general

1. Our cows are in much better flesh and condition.

2. We have a larger and steadier milk flow.

3. Cows are better developed and more strong at

4. Cows are free from trouble at calving time.

Michigan Milk maker’s formula appreciates that
the milk product of a cow depends upon her
development from birth. Milk maker’s 13
milk-making ingredients were chosen not only for
immediate greater production, but for greater and more
economical production and two years hence. Cow
feeding tests on Milk maker feed beds are testify-
ing as to the success of the formula.

We are not selling Milk maker merely as a feed, but
as the means to greater and economies of
production, better hands and a better calf crop.
Milk maker, 24% protein, is the original good
quality protein, guarantees 1,560 lbs. of
digestible protein. Since 500 Michigan co-op
handle Milk maker. Try a ton and watch your

Michigan Farm Bureau Supply Service
Lansing, Michigan

Michigan