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### **HURON COUNTY MEMBERS INFORMED BIG DELEGATION OF STATE FARM BUREAU'S PROGRAM** FOR TOWNSHIP HIGHWAY ECONOMIES

Research Engineer From Mich. State College Addresses Annual Meeting At Bad Axe On Nov. 23 And Cites Possibilities Of Getting More Improved Roads

The question of township road improvement was brought up at the annual meeting of the Huron county Farm Bureau, this week and discussed in some of its most important phases the day in Detroit as its guests. by Lee J. Rothgery, research assistant in civil engineering, of through the plants of the Detroit Michigan State College.

Mr. Rothgery, who has talked this subject of better and company after taking luncheon more improved township roads in some 50 counties of southern Michigan during the past few months, bases his lectures their respective managers, Mr. A. E. and discussions on conditions as the college has found them Poll, of Williamston and Mr. L. Hartand on economic principles of highway construction and financing which have come to be accepted as most efficient the first part of the day's program and most economical.

With about 85 per cent of the roads of the country still in day a state of nature and with one third of all automobiles owned by farmers, the loss in dollars for road haul over unimproved or practically impassable township roads during a major portion of the year is enough to stir the farmers of Michigan into Detroit markets each week, the Exaction this winter so that during the next season of road change reports, in building many dollars will be saved and many more judiciously expended than have ever been heretofore for this work, COURT STANDS BY Mr. Rothgery points out.

If a township does no more than to make the best use of the materials found in its roadbeds, the savings in dollars in one season will be amazing, to say the least, he explains. It doesn't show poor management in every township, he admits, but the whole thing, simmered down, shows a general Product Exchange, a local of the laxness on the part of the farmers themselves.

Farmer Pays the Price They pay the shot for building and maintaining these dirt roads then they leave everything to a neighborhood political boss and find at the end of the summer, that their township has been served in only few spots, here and there, where the road commissioner has had a per sonal interest in his own stretch of road or a road along some friend's or other influential person's prop-

It's a general state of affairs, this most of which are allowed to go un- and 424,235,944 in 1925. cared for after being built up to a round travel if properly maintained.

construction work, the point of major 717,211 in 1925 over the 15-year importance, as he stressed it, is that of mapping out a definite program

**CENSUS INDICATES DAIRYING INCREASE** Market Records Show Change In Producers' Method

Of Handling Growth of the state dairy industry building short runs of poor gravel as a whole is indicated in the governroads here and there throughout the ment census for the volume of milk townships, practically none of which produced, showing 352,858,180 gallead to any place in particular and ions in 1910; 382,822,631 in 1920

Cream sales fell off in proportion state that would permit of year- with the rise in whole milk deliveries. Production which in 1910 reach-In Mr. Rothgery's plan of road ed 2,485,011 gallons dropped to 1,-

period. The m



Three large motor buses were chartered for the day to accommodate

**CO-OP SHIPPERS** 

Williamston Men Spend

Day In Detroit

VISIT EXCHANGE

the guests These shippers have been sending about eight or 10 cars of stock to the

The circuit court for Leelanau was entitled to recover \$217.20 as liquidated damages from one of its

members who failed to deliver his potatoes in accordance with his contract. The member defended the suit on the theory that the farm was owned jointly or by entireties by him and his wife and thence that he could not be compelled to fulfill his

contract; but the court held "that the joint ownership of the premises by the defendant and his wife is no defense to the present action nor a bar to compliance with the terms of the contract in question on the part

of the defendant.'

### WILL NOT WEAR SILK

Women in groups throughout the decrease in cotton prices.

to encourage southern people to wear chemists.

Eighty-Three Webberville and Prof. J. F. Cox, of M. S. C., Is Asked For Display At Grain Show

> Agricultural Departments and State Colleges Add To Exhibit

An exhibit is being set up at Michigan State College showing to what extent the several states where the European corn borer has es tablished itself as a serious menace to agriculture, have developed a cooperative eradication program and campaign of extermination. Prof J. F. Cox, head of the crops depart ment of that institution, has been picked to conduct the display at the International Hay and Grain Show at Chicago, November 27 to December 4.

This is to be an educational exhibit, representing the interests of Michigan, Ohio and parts of Canada, where the pest has done the greatest amount of actual damage in the past two seasons

The point to be stressed chiefly will be that showing effort to control spread of this insect pest this season state representative in the legisla and necessity of continued, concertture, was elected Master of the Stat ed effort to prevent further spread. Grange to succeed A. B. Cook,

All resources of the United States Owosso, for the current year. bureau of entomology, the state de County recently held that the Cedar partments of agriculture, and the **CANADA INTRODUCING** agricultural colleges in these states Michigan Potato Growers' Exchange, will be utilized for the display, which will be one of the features of the

> State college material will be a part of the collection. There will probably be samples of stalks in which the borer is working, information on quarantine and other measures of the state department of pean corn borer. agriculture, and reports on research experiments on breeding of parasites and bearing deadly stingers, the forbeing conducted at the new substation at Monroe.

ular intervals. A model plant for cleansing wastes emptied into the streams by canning the corn-growing regions of Hun-South are organizing "no-silk" clubs industries, operated this season by garia with the aid of the United as their contribution to help relieve the W. R. Roach Canning company States corn borer experiment station the economic situation created by a at Kent City, removed 90 per cent at Arlington, Mass.

> **OVER 1.000 YOUTHS** ciation expressed toward the County

harmless to crops.

GEORGE ROXBURGH

**NEW INSECT TO PREY** 

**ON EUROPEAN BORER** 

George Roxburgh, of Reed City



New Farm Policy Is To Be

Home And Community Training Work Gets Place On Special Program; Co-operative Market, Relief Problem And Other Subjects Slated For December 6, 7 and 8

**ALWAYS ADVOCATED BY FARM BUREAU** 

Definite, concrete action, looking toward the establishment of an American agricultural policy embodying the principles of farm relief advocated by the Farm Bureau for the past three years, will be the keynote of the Eighth Annual Meeting of the American Farm Bureau Federation to be held at Hotel Sherman, Chicago, Dec. 6, 7 and 8. This was indicated in a statement made today by Sam H. Thompson, president of the A. F. B. F.

"The foremost subject in the minds of agriculture and in the minds of business people of today," said President Thompson, "is that of proper adjustment of the agricultural industry in our economic life. Farm relief is not any longer considered as an emergency matter. It is viewed now from the standpoint of permanent stabilization of American agriculture. As a result of the well-organized, persistent effort on the part of the Farm Bureau, all other interests have come to recognize the merits of this movement.

"It is noticeable that at all farm meetings, business meetings, this subject usually has first place. It is fair to assume, therefore, that it will play a dominant part in the proceedings of the annual meeting of the A. F. B. F.



the county organization in one of its

Government Harbor Urged

ings of the state headquarters of the

Bureau, showing that a staff of 45

the organization.

year:

to 50 workers handles some \$11,-

Consider Many Subjects In addition to action on farm relief matters, the program of the farmers' national annual meeting, as indicated, will include discussion of various pressing agricultural probems, including means and methods ombating the European corn borer, which is threatening destruction of the entire corn crop of the Midvest, farm fire prevention methods. home and community development. boys' and girls' club work, etc.

ISSUED SEMI-MONTHLY

A Home and Community Training School is to be held at Hotel Sherman on the Friday and Saturday Resolutions, covering matters of preceding the opening of the annual lirect concern to the agriculture of meeting. At this school, which will he county were adopted at the an- be conducted under the auspices of the Home and Community Department of the A. F. B. F., education, citizenship, property rights of wo-

reau program was urged and appre- men, music, marketing, better movies, rural health, costume designing Bankers' association for assistance it and the relation of women to the will be



eign parasites are natural foes of the corn borer pest. They feed upon the larvae and adults of the borer, but,

### **ELIMINATE POLLUTION AT CANNING FACTORY**

of the matter which pollutes the wa-It is the aim of the new movement ter, according to tests made by state

This cleansing plant was modeled

season was about \$3,500.

Securing Certificates Will Aid Big Convention

for township road building and main tenance for each year, then to forget where the highway commissioner lives, so far as road work goes, and build and maintain roads according to an impartial program.

#### **Definite Plan Necessary**

This is the plan the state, the counties and the federal government have found the most advantageous, the most satisfactory and the only economical one to follow out in their road construction programs. Without an orderly program, arranged beforehand, none of the improved highway systems could have been completed. they all concede.

With the township, as Mr. Rothgery well cites, the loss mounts up to an enormous sum each year where the total budget for township roads runs close to \$14,000,000, as it did last year in Michigan.

Where he shows the weakness of piling ungraded gravel on a turnpike-the average improved township road-is in the lack of system and lack of individual interest in the road problem of the township. To each year, if no more can be built.

and to eliminate the little leaks of a scriber. dollar here and a hundred dollars surface roads.

Bureau acted to have Mr. Rothgery high rates probably would continue

county Farm Bureau members to The State Farm Bureau, the only

next few years. ing done so that some day, when the that relief can be sought in a syscheck-up is made, your township can tematic manner. point with pride to its completed and traversable system of really good

(Continued on page two)

roads.

the state dairy statistical record is wherever possible. As some of the in the laboratories of the state health seen in the decrease in whole milk statements put it, the silkworm is do- department and the cost of its consales. In 1910, 74,025,769 gallons ing more harm to the cotton belt struction and operation this canning were sold. The volume was almost than the boll weevil.

gallons were marketed, and in 1925

lons. Meanwhile there was a drop in home-produced butter from 50,-405,426 pounds in 1910 to 25,755,432 pounds in 1920 and 20,350,351 in 1925.

# **BUREAU PROTESTS**

One Clinton county farmer com plained because his telephone bill

phone service for 30 days but, if he hadn't done as a lot of others did, entered a protest against it, he undoubtedly would have had to go charge if he continued to be a sub-

This, was just because the Michisomewhere else where the road com- gan Bell telephone company took missioner "overlooks" instead of advantage of a new order of approval oversees the job; these are the points of a proposed schedule of rates instressed by the college in its en- tended for telephone service to subdeavor to educate the farmers so that scribers benefitted by city exchange their own roads, in front of their service. Many farmers of Michigan own farms, will soon be much bet- were assessed much more for tele ter dirt roads, and in a comparative- phone service last month than they ly few years, even be improved, hard had been accustomed to paying and had the Michigan State Farm Bureau

not interceded in their behalf and In this the Michigan State Farm followed up their complaints, these Farm Bureau Urges Action present the question to the Huron in force and effect.

give them some real points to con- farmer organization to take up the sider this winter. Along this line the matter in protest to the Public Util-State Farm Bureau will work to ities commission, has been given ashave someone present at any county surance by the commission that a Farm Bureau meeting where the new adjustment is to be made so county desires, so that a definite pro- that equitable service charges will gram can be worked out without be assessed to supercede the rates delay which will mean a tremendous recently put into effect by the telesaving of farm-earned dollars in the phone company.

In times like this, when Farm Bu-As the college points out, forget reau members feel they are being opthe old traditions and "profit-losing" customs of road fixin', and adopt the modern, up-to-date methods of doing the job worthwhile when it is be- State Farm Bureau headquarters so

> Drinking cups for the dairy cows add greatly to milk flow, dairymen Say.

doubled by 1920 when 130,864,366 the total reached 144,910,955 gal-Reserving Rooms and

# **TELEPHONE RATES**

where he shows the weakness of the present haphazard method of piling ungraded cravel on a turn have one more mile of good road along continuing to pay such a

was about \$27 last month. Maybe

nual convention of the American Farm Bureau Federation at Chicago, Dec. 6, 7 and 8 will find the Michigan Farm Bureau News office in position to aid them in cutting costs of the trip materially. A year ago many delegates went to the big convention without having first made reservation for rooms and, consequently, when they paid their hotel bill they paid the regular

#### transient rate. Through special arrangements with Hotel Sherman, where the convention is to have headquarters, rooms will be available for all Michigan delegates and reservations for rooms made through the office of the NEWS will carry an unusually low rate for Chicago hotel service.

Delegates who go from Michigan this year to attend the an-

This is a special Farm Bureau service, just as the special railroad fare service is special for this big convention. Both are aimed to 'increase the attendance and by taking advantage of them each Farm Bureau member who goes to Chicago at this time will be the one to benefit.

Last year many delegates failed to get the required certificate when they purchased their tickets for Chicago and had to pay the full fare each way. The railroad company has a special certificate which delegates are given, IF THEY ASK FOR IT, when they buy their railroad tickets. When this certificate is presented to the clerk at the convention headquarters it is stamped and then the delegate gets tickets for his home at half fare. unless he lives in the Upper Peninsula, when he gets his ticket for home at one-third the regular rate.

For those who might happen to make up their minds at the last minute to attend the convention, a reception committee. wearing badges to identify them, will meet them as they enter the hotel. By identifying himself, each delegate will be introduced, by one of the committee, to the room clerk and will thus benefit by getting the special reduced room rate.

In the matter of the railroad fare certificates; to go to the convention without them means you are OUT OF LUCK for reduced rates on your return trip. It takes 250 such certificates, after they have been approved by the clerk at the convention, to warrant making the special return fare rate the railroad companies offer.

Every delegate should make sure of getting his certificate when he buys his railroad ticket and then GET THE CER-TIFICATE STAMPED at the convention.

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Discontinuance of a practice of

Boys', Girls' Club Champions Get Trip To National Livestock Show

resolutions. This distribution, it was Over a thousand members of farm pointed out, tends to have a detriboys' and girls' clubs from all sec- mental influence on the price of agtions of the United States have won ricultural products. Use of marl as a means of increas-

an opportunity to attend the International Livestock Exposition in Chi- ing alfalia production in the coun- groups of the more outstanding cocago, November 26 to December 4, ty was stressed as of major importhrough winning state or other tance for the development of agri- the country. championships in some phases of culture to the fullest extent possible. The financial report showed the their agricultural or homemaking club work during the past season. organization's marl machinery about These champions represent their lo- paid for and a showing was made cal clubs in contests and educational that this equipment has more than features scheduled for the fifth an- paid for itself in added profits from nual boys' and girls' club congress the land-where marl was used. held in connection with the livestock Manistee county farmers are urgshow, which has been planned es- ed, by resolution adopted at this pecially for club members by the Na- meeting, to support the county cow tional Committee on Boys' and Girls' testing association and the move to Club Work in co-operation with the encourage raising of more pure-bred for distribution at the co-operative luncheon. As many of these messages United States Department of Agri- cattle there. culture and the state agricultural colleges.

grounds.

Demonstration teams from some ed harbors. ten states show the recent developments in agricultural and homemaking club work as organized by the State Agricultural colleges and the United States Department of Agriculture. The most healthy club boy and girl will be determined by a national health contest. A style show provides an opportunity to display the types of garments made by club girls

Competitive exhibits in foods, clothing, corn, potatoes, cotton, and home improvement have been placed in the club building. The best livestock grown by these champions is shown in the pavilion.

Leadership among young farm folks will be recognized by awarding the Moses Leadership Trophy to the delegates to State Farm Bureau federations, President Thompson winner of national honors in this phase of club work.

Educational trips to the Field Museum, Art Institute, Lincoln Park, Congress. The new officers met im- County Farm Burcau official and of manufacturing plants and department stores in Chicago are features the general meeting and re-elected er, every county agent, every vocaof the congress. The Sherman Hotel Mr. Read secretary. The next annual meeting will be will be the scene of the "Club Members' Own Banquet" on Tuesday, held at Kaleva the second Saturday home and community worker is need-November 30.

Farm Bureau movement has given agriculture during the past among the topics discussed. year in Manistee county.

Co-operative marketingn, always promiscuous distribution of govern. vital and uppermost with the Ameriment crop reports mailed out to oth- can Farm Bureau Federation, will play its part in the annual meeting ers than those directly interested in crop production, was advocated by program.

**Co-operative Luncheon** 

An outstanding feature of the meeting will be a co-operative luncheon to be given on Monday, the opening day. Food for this luncheon is being furnished by representative operative marketing associations in

In addition to the delegates and general visitors to the convention, who will attend the luncheon, special arrangements have been made to have present fifty of the most distinguished co-operative leaders of the United States Fifty messages of one hundred words each have been brought together from as many outstanding co-operative leaders. These are to be printed in pamphlet form as time will permit will be given by their authors at the luncheon.

That Portage Lake should be main-The idea of a co-operative lunch-Championship teams from each tained as a permanent harbor as a eon was first conceived and carried state are competing for national hon- shelter for Lake Michigan ships was out by the American Farm Bureau ors in the judging of beef cattle, a point cited in one of the resolu- Federation last year when Calvin sheep and swine. Home economics tions and it was urged that every Coolidge, President of the United teams participate in a similar contest effort be brought to bear to get the States, was the guest of the occaby judging foods and clothing in the government to consider this propo- sion. All of the food served to Presi-4-H club building on the exposition sition favorably and add this lake dent Coolidge was furnished by coport to its list of regularly support- operative marketing associations. The luncheon last year was limited

The meeting was addressed by to a select group of Farm Bureau of-Clark L. Brody, secretary-manager ficials. This year the co-operative of the State Farm Bureau, who gave luncheon will be open to the entire an intimate discussion of the work- convention.

Every Delegate Needed

Plans for organizing an especially large attendance are being developed 000,000 worth of business a year for in the offices of the A. F. B. F. and President Thompson is advised that The following members of the nearby State Farm Bureau Federa-Manistee County Farm Bureau were tions are organizing special parties elected to office for the ensuing in each county to attend in bodies. It is the confident expectation of the M. E. Jones, president; John leaders of the Farm Bureau that this Gould, Jr., re-elected vice-president; annual meeting will be the most out-E. J. Baker and Isaac Jouppi re-elect- standing demonstration that Ameried directors for two years; M. E. can farmers have ever participated Jones and John Gould, Jr., elected in. In a letter addressed to the state meeting at Lansing in February; Jos. states:

F. Brunais and Paul Alpers elected "The voice and counsel of every members of County Agricultural State Farm Bareau official, of every mediately following adjournment of every Community Farm Bureau leadtional agricultural teacher, every home demonstration agent, every (Continued on page three)

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of all Michigan's agriculture in this one big, annual exposition at Chicago.

Not alone does the element of production enter into the case but Michigan has another interest in this big, world re-nowned exposition. This is the element of education and development and training of her youth.

A state champion collegiate stock judging team of four young Michigan agriculturists is Michigan's contribution to the big show in addition to a liberal entry of prize livestock.

Banking the training and judgement of these four farm youths against that of similar champions of a score of other of the most progressive agricultural states, of the nation-this is the making of an improved agriculture for tomorrow. In this, as in the showing of the actual farm products of Michigan, the International Livestock Exposition needs the co-operative support of every Farm Burean member and every progressive farmer and farm student of the state.

Every farmer and every farm woman of Michigan who can see their way clear to visit this big exposition will have everything to gain and but little to sacrifice in attending at least part of it this year.

The effort to make this a more worthwhile affair and to spread its teachings to the most remote corners deserves and needs your heartiest support. Michigan needs all that its farmers and producers can get out of it.

Plan to meet your neighbor' at Chicago and have in mind the two subjects of major importance, the livestock show and the eighth annual convention of the American Farm Bureau Federation, which is scheduled for the three days, Dec. 6, 7 and 8. Arrange your affairs so that both events can be given your heartiest support, they both need you and you will profit immensely by them. Be there.

#### WHAT TO DO?

The fall in the price of cotton, coupled with that in finits and wheat, brought the general index of purchasing power of farm products down from 93 in August last year to 82 this August. While the whole price level has been falling, farm products have fallen faster." well an an charast with mo

The above is quoted from a statement coming from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, under date of October 1, 1926.

Cotton and fruits belong to-are the products of the coastal region of the United States. Wheat is a product of the interiorof the transportation handicapped interior.

Of wheat we speak. The world market place-western Europe -harvests its own wheat crop at the time ours is moving. Our crop must pay the freight to market and sell on the market against the home crop of Europe and against the hang-over of the crop from the southern hemisphere.

Sharp competition !--- and sharp competition tends to low prices.

Meanwhile a heavy southwestern crop glutted country elevators-and the price dropped-dropped because from both ends of the market road pressure of sales offerings beat it down. The European end is not under our control. Nor has any practical scheme yet been worked out to regulate our production. Weather conditions nullify acreage control.

The one farm price-making factor over which we do have a positive control is that of determination of transportation costs. Open competition cares for and compels a low ocean rate to Europe. Rail economy and speed of car movement are at a high point of efficiency, but the cost of rail movement remains high, and the danger to prices from gluts at terminals and at local elevators is ever present.

The farm price for wheat is based, today, upon the fact that grain can not avail itself of open freight competition and cheap rates until it has reached the coast-a distance of from one thousand to fifteen hundred miles from the harvest fields. This costly movement to the coast is slow, it ties up elevator space, it calls for excessively large car equipment on the part of the railroads, it strips the grain belt of its cars when they are most needed for fast moving of grain from country elevator to terminal. All this means extra and needless transportation cost-a cost taken directly out of the pocketbook of the farmer, a cost that reduces his buying power, and one that directly and unfavorably affects all grain belt area business. The obvious need is to shorten the land haul, speed up the car turn-around, keep the local and terminal elevators moving grain rather than storing it, and so decrease the cost of movement between the farm and the foreign market. This can be done. Move the Atlantic inland. Break down the 33-mile barrier in the St. Lawrence. Let ocean ships, ocean freight competition, ocean low rates come through and apply from the Great Lakes ports to Europe. Shorten the land haul a thousand miles. Lower the cost of grain movement.



#### (This is the first of a series of educational articles on what the proposed Great Lakes -St. Lawrence Waterway development will mean to Michigan farmers in removing the barriers of high railroad freight rates which now separate us from our foreign markets. More articles in this series will appear in coming issues of the NEWS.) lows in the St. Lawrence so that the ocean boats could sail into ports on the Great Lakes? Would such a development cut the marketing costs on my farm prodand who would benefit?

## State Farm Bureau. first can deliver his grain direct to and cost required for the second to

### FOR LEADER TRAINING

plowing or engaged in some other Local Leaders in the Home Furuseful farm work, the second man nishing Project in Cass county are has to remove his grain from his bins informed that a new schedule of and haul it to town. dates for leader training has been

the profits which his business should The December school is set a week show at the end of the year. It shows earlier and a January meeting is up either directly or indirectly. Diprovided for in the new schedule arranged by Mrs. Hoffman, the specialst in charge. This will bring the fidirectly when he takes time that nal achievement day in May instead of June, a feature that will be ap-necessary and seasonal work such as farthest away from the market is lapreclated by all those participating in fall plowing. the work. Remove Handicap or Pay It!

At the time of the first lesson, Until that handicap is removed the Mrs. Hoffman) discussed and illusman living farthest from market has trated the arrangement and placing of furnishings in respect to the room to make up the transportation handi-itself. The second lesson will be concerned largely with the principles of do so he remains at a real financial color and design as applied to wall disadvantage. Usually this disadvanand floor coverings.

strain would perhaps have been more than the farm several miles out avoided if those responsible for some because transportation costs from of the atrocious designs in rugs and the farm to town are a real cash out of the price he gets in Europe.

true of both livestock and livestoc products. South America and Aus tralia do a very substantial busines in these things with southern an western Europe, and, of course, w all know about the part New Zea land plays in supplying the dairy and wool markets of the world. So com ing back to ourselves for a moment and noting that we are shipping Europe something like 200,000,00 bushels of wheat a year, and live, stock products that run into man millions of dollars, it begins to look as if our idea of the neighborhoo

WATER ROUTE IS URGED will have to expand, for we are on the same market as the other producing nations of the world. Great Lakes-St. Lawrence

**MICHIGAN FARMER** 

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Effective of Expensive Road

To Market Disastrous To

Midwest States

Waterway Would Boost

Farm Income

tion of the members of the Michigan

get his grain stored away in his own

bins. Later on when he could be

This nine mile handicap eats into

**HEAVY RAIL COSTS** 

How Wheat Moves to Market The movement of North American wheat to Europe takes place largely in the fall and early winter, shading off toward spring. It precedes that from Canada, but the two combined make up a steady stream across the Atlantic until the bulk of the ex. portable crop is disposed of.

Europe, buying from hand mouth, does not attempt to store un ny large quantity of grain. She is ooking for the best buying chances, She takes the wheat when it is har vested, and it is being harvested at one point or another in the world every minute of the year. So Why should I be interested in all about the time that the North Ameri-Why should I be interested in all this talk about deepening the shal-from India, South America and Australia begins, When Russia is ship. ping, her grain moves about the time that the Kansas crop is in transit.

The point to keep clearly in mind is that we are essentially a world uets, and if so why, and how much. neighborhood and that the farmers It is to answer these and kindred are neighbors selling on the world of the different nations of the world questions that this series of articles market situated in western and southern Europe. The price we get on that market in part depends, as it does on our local market at home, Distance from market is one of the handicaps of the farmer. Take two men engaged in the grain growing amount offered on the market. If the business-one living a mile from world has a big crop the European town and the other ten miles. The price is correspondingly low. If the world has a short crop the price is the elevator, in about the same time high,

And the important fact is that this European price sets the price back home in all the producing and exporting countries for the grain that is grown there, both the grain that is exported and the grain that remains at home.

Will you agree to that? If not, let's stop and reason the thing out rectly where he goes to the expense in our own minds. Isn't it true? Do of hiring help to have it done, in- you see any hitch in the argument? Well, then, what does that mean? should be devoted to doing other It means that the fellow who is the boring under a handicap—gets the lowest price for his crop. Who is that fellow?

American Farmer Handicapped

Australia is 13,600 miles distant from Liverpool by way of the Panama Canal and the world is only 25 000 miles around. So it would seem tage shows up locally in the price of that the Australian must be the chap Right here it might be suggested that much mental saffering and eye strain would perhaps have been more than the farm several miles out because of the strain would be the suggested and the star and the suggested base of the suggested base of the strain would be the suggested base of th wall paper could have taken such a course. Those leaders who attend the Dow-agiac school will meet on Tuesday, Nov. 30, at the new High School Unitiding The Carsonalis meeting will



And you lift the farm price!

Why-with a clear-ent remedy for anid-western farm depression before it-why does America hesitate Now-before another low-priced harvest is gathered-is the time for action. Demand !--- and get !-- the St. Lawrence ship channel.

#### WINTER SHORT COURSE teacher at the Jericho school, Gene-**OPENS AT MENOMINEE**

The Winter Short Course at the begin Monday, November 29. The course is built around the dairy industry of the Upper Peninsula and is designed to give farm boys an opportunity to secure some instruction in courses in dairying, feeding, field crops and other farm activities centering about the dairy industry. There will also be some courses in poultry and woodwork of a more general nature. Practically the only inite program but it is going to cost expense for anyone taking this an unnecessary amount if your towncourse is that of board and room. ship goes along another year as it The Short Course lasts fourteen always has, except in a few town-

weeks and board and room for that ships where a program has been acperiod will amount to from \$80.00 to cepted. In these few townships their right.

### LEADERS IN CLUB WORK SIGNED UP IN VAN BUREN

The following leaders in Boys' and cultural director, South Haven high school; M. L. Baily, Agricultural director, Hartford high school: Mrs. Culver and Miss Agnes Ryan of Stoughton's Corners and

better roads show the result of organized effort to "get somewhere' and their ultimate expense for road maintenance and construction has been relatively low as compared to what some of the other, Less progressive townships' road costs have

Maple Grove school,

Lake School of South Haven.

**Huron County Hears** 

Of F. B. Road Plans

(Continued from page one)

It isn't going to cost anything this,

Girls' club work have volunteered in to show for their expenses year after been and what those townships have

New Office Boy-"I've added those figures up 10 times, sir.' Employer-"Good boy!" Boy-'And here's the 10 answers. Rush Lake schools; J. R. Cook, sir!"-Passing Show.

be the next day, Dec. 1, in the su- nor local conditions such as where ean. pervisors' room.

### **Eliminate That Backache**

The heights of all working areas n the kitchen are of extreme imporance and should be given one of the considerations. No general the facts mean to us, not only in height can be given which will suit wheat, but in all other lines of prodin the heights of workers and nature story and see where it leads. of the work. Each housewife should Of course, it costs the Montana adjust her equipment to suit her own farmer more to get his wheat to comfort. One very simple test for Minneapolis or Duluth than it does the height of the work surface, be it the Missouri farmer to get his wheat the palms will be parallel with the you say, the farmer does not pay the do. surface. If the patms lay flat on the freight. He gets his cash from the table with the arms and back elevator man. Not quite so fast! straight, it is all right, if not, then it should be adjusted.

The Farmer Pays the Freight! A table or cabinet may be raised have it sidetracked at your station, by using ball bearing casters. If this load your grain and ship it yourself. is not sufficient, blocks of wood may be used or wooden door bumpers screwed into the legs are very good. Should the surface be too high, saw off the legs to the desired length. freight. When you have done so, the Any kind of a stove can be raised price you can figure at your station to the right height by using blocks under the legs.

va township; Mrs. Ernest Muske, Sinks are harder to adjust as it who is also a leader in the Extension means not only changing the sink Clothing Work; Miss Edna Howe, itself, but all pipes must be lengthtransaction is concerned. The local teacher at Riverbend school, Geneva ened or shortened. It may mean the Menominee Agricultural School will township; R. Nyman, principal of service of a plumber, but if one is South Haven to live in the house many years, the and anything else that creates extownship, and Mrs. Howe of West cost would be money well expended. pense up to the time it is delivered

A good way to test the sink is by doubling up the fist and if one can touch the bottom of it without stooping, it is a good working height. If two people of different heights work in the same kitchen, it is better to make it right for the taller

person and to let the shorter person winter to decide on some sort of defuse a stool or step which may be placed in front of the work table or rest satisfied. Turning to the reports of the Desink. Look your kitchen over and make partment of Commerce, we find that

sure that your working heights are a good share of our grain, and of our

The reports of the Department of ing tank, get a can of heavy roofing cement and, by thinning it with gaso- Agriculture show that Europe does line, inject it into the cracks after an enormous buying business, espefirst having dried them out by burn- cially in wheat and livestock proding just a little gasoline on the sur- ucts. This food material is afloat on face of the tank. The pitch or cement the ocean every day in the year, moycan be forced into the cracks with ing from every direction of the coman automobile pump or grease gun. pass toward the markets of western Allow the first coat to dry and ap- Europe.

at the terminal.

A good share of it comes from the ply another, and then "wash" the sides of the tank, using a Portland Argentine, Australia and India. Rus-cement and water paste, giving the sia in normal times supplies a very broke down. important part. The same thing is

The export wheat producing region a local mill bids up the price for its of the United States, and of Canada, own needs, and you will find that the grain raised the farthest distance too, lies back between 1,000 and 1, from the hig terminal markets brings When we get down to the seacoast it that such is the case, but I wonder if does not matter so much which one we have ever thought out just what of our competitors lives farthest the facts mean to us, not only in away. The 13,000 miles the Australian is compelled to ship his grain all persons because of the variations ucts. At any rate let's follow the loss important to Liverpool is made less important by the fact that ocean transportation, compared to the cost of land transportation," is extremely low. He has a rail haul for which he

pays about the same per mile as we a cabinet, table or broad shelf, is to into Chicago. The distance is greater do, and a long sea haul for which he stand erect and place the hands so and the railroad freight is more. But pays about the same per mile as we

U. S. Farmers', Sorry Plight

But here is where the shoe pinches: We have an extremely long land Even if you should order a car, haul-the longest by far of any producing group of farmers in the world-and the shortest sea haul. you must pay the freight to the ter-long land haul and the same propor-We have to pay the high rate for the on the terminal is not your home for the short sea haul. The combined cost of these two rates-of the expensive land haul and of the comis your local elevator price, plus the local elevator man's profit. Whether he pays the freight or you pay it does not matter so far as the individual market charged against any large market charged against any large price has had taken out of it the lo- group of farmers anywhere in the cal elevator charges plus the freight, world.

Figures computed by the department of agriculture show that the average cost to the Kansas farmer We have now left the local neighof shipping his wheat to Liverpool borhood and crossed the country. We via the Great Lakes and then freight, but-HOW FAR DOES HE Liverpool from Wichita, Kansas, via PAY IT? That is a new question the Gulf ports is 37.5 cents. Of this and one we ought to answer pretty 37.5 cents the rail charge makes up clearly in our own minds before we of it. 26.4 cents or more than two-thirds

Considered not in distances, but in cost charges taken out of the price received in Europe for the things we have to sell, the mid-western farmer is farther removed from the markets that set the world prices, than is the farmer of Russia, or India, or the Argentine, or Australia. This is a transportation handicap that must and can be overcome!

Succeeding articles in the series will explain how this can be done.

Husband: Hum! Funny pudding,

Wife: Yes, dear, that's as far as I got with the receipt when the radio

-Jim Jam Jems.



#### VEMBER 26, 1926

#### MICHIGAN FARM BUREAU NEWS

covering

in the grand ball room of Hotel

Sherman, Tuesday evening, Decem-

will follow the speaking program.

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xpected to convene at Washington

ext June, and then set out on a soils

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## Winter Season Is Proper Time to Outline Program

County Group Can Accom- LaBeau brand of alfalfa seed right plish Much By Planning Winter Months

By MRS. EDITH M. WAGAR The tension on the season's work d townships can begin to think in our county.

ce more about the work that has ganization must come between the arvest season and planting time. nd any job well planned is half ne at the beginning.

"I have no doubt that many of our olks have been thinking about what ey would like to see done through eir own local Farm Bureau, even their home work compelled them estate shark? go no further. Now is just the time

"I wish every county board would it also has possibilities. There's ng a thorough survey of their own unty. I'm sure you'd surprise yourif at the result and all would have greater appreciation of their imediate surroundings. Too many of have our eyes and minds on some not grade people. hanges or improvements we would ave someone higher up make. We

anagement of our own state govment. 'Now while we need to give heed

these things, we are too prone to glect the local calls within our asp and power and duty. "I cannot go into detail of any

arvey in any county except Monroe, nd by no means have I there reached the limit, for I find something lew and quite often surprising alnost every day. I am going to give a brief outline of some of our indings in this county that you may tter understand the thought I wish pass on to the other counties with hope that it might be helpful. Monroe county is directly midbetween two large cities, Detroit Toledo, and therefore is situatin an ideal way so far as market cilities are concerned; this is an vantage, not as thoroughly appreated as it should be, in fact we ave to get a jolt once in a while om from some of our less favored rom from some of our less favored armers of more isolated sections, to G. R., HOLLAND R. R. ealize it. We have in general a good pe of soil,-level as a floor, Propdrainage was a slow process, alugh the greatest requirement for A few of our farmers still ve the old prejudice against "burygood money" when a tile drain

mentioned. We are the eastern gateway of e state through which thousands tourists pass during the summer ason. In all things the first imssion is the most lasting; to have lichigan rightly appreciated as a naonal summer playground, it beoves Monroe County to look its under our very nose and that we were envied by all of Michigan for our close proximity to it? Let's show our friends and ourselves the biggest

cranberry marsh in the state and the biggest apricot orchard of the state; beginning to loosen and the offi- then let's point out our wonderful is of our Farm Bureau counties nurseries and the large paper mills

"Are we satisfied with the county en put off from time to time. Much just as it is? Is our school system the planning and really a good just what we want? Have we access are of the actual operation of an to electricity for power and light Do we have telephone service just as we want it?

"Was it necessary or wise to ask the state tax commission to settle our differences last summer?

"Are we doing our part as leaders in a great farm organization to protect our fellow farmers from the real "These are just a few of the many

put some of those plans into ac- problems of our county. Every county of the state has its own needs and

the right group to work on mak- great work ahead of us, if we would only search it out and then do it. "I've said, a few times the past year, and thought of it many more times; that in this day of grading everything it is regretable that we can

"If we had some sort of machine which all committee members and oftake frequent suggestions as to ficials would have to pass through to be placed where they belong, I'm e even have the audacity to say sure it would be a blessing-we'd what the President should do and we have some people serving on board re more or less excited over the and committees whom we never had expected were eligible and we'd also discard some who accept but do not serve

> "We do so need real live wires to keep the Farm Bureau or any other worthy cause living up to its possibilities

"We all need to shake ourselves up to the fact that there is a special work for each to do and the sooner we set ourselves at our own job the quicker we're all going to see results.

"I know, personally, the temptation is great to let the mind dwell on some of the bigger problems such as legislation and transportation and taxation and, while they're all most vital to our organization, still we must not neglect the close-at-hand matters which, in the long run, spell the difference between a wide-awake up-and-doing membership, or one dying of dry rot.'

**IS SOLD FOR JUNK** 

Farm Bureau to Act

Forty-three miles of electric rail-

of making an adjustment sought





That the farm women of Michigan are taking an active and a leadership part in the general scheme of agricultural development in the state can well be reasoned from the big attendance of such workers shown n the accompanying picture.

The group pictured here represents only part of the Home Demonstration and Community work leaders of the state who are carrying a definite course of training to the homes of some 20,000 women as part of the extension work of Michigan State College.

These 350 or 400 women, shown above, met for the first Rally Day conference of their organization at East Lansing recently and outlined their program for the ensuing year.

This phase of rural educational activity is under the leadership of Mrs. Louise Campbell, state home dem onstration leader, of Michigan State College

### Alfalfa Raising, Combined With Dairy And Sheep Industry Is Profitable

Raise Alfalfa

"A home that must draw its support and taxes from without, is a misnomer. At best, it is but a temporary place of residence. "Notwithstanding the general

agricultural depression prevailing ing farm home improvements-all of the last five years, no alfalfa engradually developing on Northern of breeding ewes and dairy cows in school. Michigan low-priced lands, is not only his crop diversities in northern Mich-

ties but makes our vacant agricul- less all the labor was performed by tural areas all the more inviting- hired help. Their returns were never "In the days of ox carts, spring

less wagons and impassable roads, sure occupancy of all idling arable the occupants of covered wagons land, from the Atlantic to the Pa- courted privations and isolation, to become the proud owner of an inover production, or lowering wages, dependent fireside.

"In this age, the hardships of pion eering in Michigan is no more. Good roads, rural delivery, phones, radios and the little old Ford has banished isolation, nevertheless, the cities continue to drain the rural centers of its best material in increasing numbers. But, once let the factory lights empty stomachs crowding the bread Mne will cry out: O Merciful God, lead us to the turnip fields.

SAGINAN **HILLSDALE BUREAU POSTPONES ANNUAL** 

#### Farm Policy Outlined F. B. F. meeting, a return ticket is urchased at one-half fare at Chi-

ed at this convention. Every one is ago This reduction applies when 250 needed so that, with wisdom and or more members of the organizawith balanced judgment, a policy tion, holding regularly issued cerwill be adopted which will assure an ificates, are present at the convenequality of opportunity that agriculture so sorely needs." The annual banquet will be held

The Exposition-the First National Farm Bureau Agricultural Exposition-is a new feature of the Farm ber 7. On Monday evening, Decem-Bureau annual meeting. This Exber 6, an old-fashioned country dance position will afford the delegates to the convention an opportunity of see ing exhibits put in by outstanding

co-operative marketing associations. Exhibits reflecting work of the Farm Bureau, county, state and national, as well as intensely interesting and educational exhibits by representative commercial firms which present new ideas applicable to agriculture, will be shown.

The Farm Bureau Exposition is not to be a duplicate of the great commodity shows like the International Live Stock Exposition, but rather an Exposition showing the progress in marketing, the progress in living conditions and the like. **Model Farm Home** 

Particular attention has been paid o arranging a group of exhibits of special interest to farm women. These will center around the model farm home to be put in by the Home and Community department of the A. F. B. F.

There are five separate and disinct educational exhibits being put in by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Among these will be an exhibit showing the work of the newly created marketing department. On Friday and Saturday preceding

the opening of the convention proper there will be held a home and community training school at Hotel Sher man under the auspices of the Home

and Community department. Education, citizenship, property rights of women, music, marketing, better movies, rural health, costume design-

these are subjects which will be dis-"The additional source of revenue thusiast adhering to a combination cussed in the two-day session of the

As is the usual custom, arrange ments have been completed to provide delegates and visitors to the meeting with special reduced railroad rates. The certificate plan, which has been used by the Farm Bureau for several years, will be in force again this year. Tickets will be purchased by those attending the convention

at their local station at the regular one-way traffic fare. At the time the ticket is purchased a certificate will

be secured from the local station agent. When this certificate has been properly checked by the Transporta-

ion Department secretary at the A.

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past year would not warrant their

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In Matter

way line has been sold for junk, the last year made shipment of stock inline being the Grand Rapids, Holland ferior to that advertised, was given and Chicago interurban road afford- consideration by the board and the ing service between Grand Rapids member advised of a reasonable way

#### **POULTRYMEN SET** Farmers Can't Complain About Agriculture If They **HIGH STANDARDS**

Improvement Ass'n Aims To **Better Condition For** 

Hatchery Seeking to elevate the standards of business within the ranks of the poultrymen and hatcherymen of the state, the board of directors of the Michigan State Poultry Improvemen association in session at its regular meeting, this month, determined to refuse accreditation to several con cerns whose business ethics of the

being listed as accredited hatcheries and instructed the secretary of the organization to write certain other hatcheries, informing them of the ecessity of living up to the standards of the association if they are to

that only truth-in-advertising will be employed by association members. One case, where a hatcheryman

first Thursday of December, January

"I AM PLAY"

from a palace or a humble

home, the phsyician enters. It

is a law of Nature that they

who despise me, must pay the

doctor. If you would digest

your food, laugh and be jolly.

Dyspepsia reaps his harvest

"As the master loosens the

tension of the violin strings, so

I relax the tautness of human

nerves and give them rest

are not made better through

lack of diversions. Rather

they are made to grow unnat-

ural. I could again paint up-

on their cheeks the roses of

health and give red life to their

souls. Prayer is not more

necessary to life than I. Really,

-Dr. Hilland, in The Farmers

he prays best who plays best.'

Wife.

from play-less bodies.

Whenever I am crowded

### when Agriculture stages a comeback. better. "To popularize rural life, there is however one untried remedy to in-

ing-dignify it."

year and benefit by accreditation. Advertising was discussed by the States. board and a policy agreed upon for checking closely on the advertising of the organization's members so

By John G. Krauth, Millersburg, Michigan gratifying to whole farm communi- igan, has any cause to complain, un-

cific, without in any way resulting in which is herein outlined for the bene

fit of a wiser generation. "To popularize any legitimate call.

"Northern Michigan, in a modest way is now growing alfalfa seed at a yield per acre, comparing favorontinue as association members this able with Millard County, Utah, the highest yielding area in the United dim for a prolonged period, how the

"As an instance, John Inglis, a progressive pioneer settler, near Millers burg, secured 38 bushels of Grimm' alfalfa seed on a three year old field

of five acres. "Last year's seed crop, on the same field, yielded but three bushels per acre, owing to a dry and hot spell at seed forming time.

"An antiquated "clover huller" in

'When we remember that the value of all of the soil crops of the tate, it is good business for us to lick up and keep them coming.

ounty and it is with great regret of our state and county, that as yet no portion of this frontage has been for the concern, acting reserved for nublic frontage has been to be a concern, acting jointly. served for public park purposes. Is it now too late? Are the prices now beyond our reach?

'We have been told time and time gain that we need a new jail and that we need more room in the couny building, How many of our folks motor truck if it is to continue to really know? Have we made a peronal investigation that we might lass sound judgment on either of these propositions?

"We have many miles of hard surnany of us feel that we must have asier access to them; can we af. ford to have better side roads or Are our roads costing too much, are they the right kind and are they where we think they should

For some time we have had over \$118,000 in the rural school library fund of the county, made possible by he numerous penal fines. Are we naking the best use of that money keeping it on deposit and using he interest only, or should we study horoughly the county library system and adopt it if practicable?

A few weeks ago a meeting was alled in the county to consider the orn borer menace and how to compat it; eighteen counties were repreented and even residents within our ounty were shocked at the serious situation. Are we doing all we can <sup>o</sup> control this enemy? Are we as in lividuals, cleaning up, plowing, bredding, etc., as we should? Are we talking convincingly to the neighoor who says "there ain't no such nimal, or who pooh hoos the need of any alarm over the matter?

"Again, why can we not sometime et us show them the many good ponent by 2.9 bushels. lualities of our county? We have them, lots of them. We'd even surttempt to look them up.

"How many of us know we have one of Michigan's Master Farmers within our county and how many of won last year with a record of 35.8 us have visited his farm and his seed bushels, failed to do better than 21.3 corn drying house-the best in the Wednesday. state?

"How many of us were surprised record of 35.8 which he established when we learned that we had the last year.

and Holland for quarter the purchaser. Should this method of tury

ourist trade last year exceeded the ble for the Michigan State Farm Bu- secretary of the Michigan State settlement not be carried out, the reau traffic department because the Poultry Improvement association is U. S. district court ordered the line to commence suit against this memsold as either a going concern or ber for reimbursement to the assofrontage of Lake Erie within our junk, and the receiver of the defunct ciation after paying the claim for in the market.

concern accepted the highest bid, damages from the association funds, that of a Chicago junk company and the board decreed. Thus the organization is establish-

ing itself on a real business-like This leaves a farmers' co-operative foundation and aims to weed out the elevator at Jamestown without di- irresponsible producer and, by corect rail facilities. This elevator was operation of dependable concerns, established but a comparatively make it more difficult for the unshort time ago and now must de- desirable ones to carry on in Michi-

It was decided to prepare similar operate, unless other arrangements chick-box stickers and chick-box can be devised. Being some three labels, three inches in diameter, and miles distant from a steam line, the allow the hatcheryman to express problem of getting rail facilities ap- his personal preference as to which

pears somewhat remote at present. he shall use this season. This was A. P. Mills, Michigan State Farm decided upon as a distinguishing aced roads within our county, yet Bureau traffic manager, took up the mark for the marketed product of matter of protection of farmer and accredited hatcheries of the state and elevator interests in an effort to pro- to give the purchaser greater assurhibit withdrawal of the railroad ance of a square deal and of quality again, can we afford not to have from the territory, but the court or- as advertised. Action was taken designating the

ber 2

der prevented any action of this nature by the traffic department. Sale of this railroad was transact- February and March as a meeting ed as a mortgage foreclosure pro- date, the next meeting to be Decem-

ceeding and, because of its nature, did not permit of any intervention by disinterested parties. In the majority of instances the Farm Bureau traffic department has opportunity to defend the farmer interests or elevator interests wherever abandonment of a line or part of the

line, or even a station is proposed. This case, however, presented an unfortunate circumstance, from the viewpoint of those interested in a financial way in the elevator company.



Fred Stanek, Iowa's champion cornhusker, won the national championship corn husking title for 1926,

by shucking 28.2 bushels in 80 minhave eighteen counties visit us and utes. Stanek beat his nearest op-Joe Sudik, Nebraska champion,

was second, with 25.3 bushels, while prise ourselves when we made the Carl Seilers, Illinois runnerup was next with 25.2 bushels. Elmer Williams, Illinois champion, defending the national title.

Williams still holds the world's

no way suited for the purpose was Hillsdale County Farm Bureau used in securing the seed in both instances. Northern grown seed of the the Boys' and Girls' Club Building on Grimm strain, at present quoted the Hillsdale County Fair grounds, around \$36.00 per bushel, commands Thursday evening, November 18. F the highest price of any alfalfa seed E. Haynes, vice-president, acted as

"So adaptable is this strain for northern areas, it has received the in the 1926 volunteer membership highest endorsement of the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the departments of agriculture in every state, where a hardy strain of alfalfa as the annual meeting. While the is necessary for results, which includes a vast territory.

"Faith Justified"

"It was the year 1899, while residing in Minneapolis, the writer in a very receptive mood visited Grimm Alfalfa Seed Farm of Lyman Bros. near Lake Minnetonka ,and there be came inoculated with an incurable alfalfa microbic disease that is only soothed by the sight of an alfalfa field.

"At the time of my visit to Lyman Bros.' farm, I had become interested in Presque Isle county land for a sheep ranch in the near future. "It struck me very forcibly while charging my system with alfalfa microbes that, if this cheaply grown, high selling seed can thrive near Minneapolis so profitably to the growers, it certainly would do equal-

ly as well in Presque Isle county which is in the same latitude and my interest in alfalfa intensified. "I immediately shipped a trial by the Boys' and Girls' clubs in the bushel of Grimm's Alfalfa seed to the county under the able leadership of Rainy Lake farm, with explicit in- Lewis H. Matthias, county club structions for planting. The share agent, each club having a certain

renter on the place was from the quota to raise. Province of Quebec, and could only dicipher the French alphabet. As a result, my instructions could not and assembly room on the basement reach his understanding and my seed was mixed with red clover seed and exhibit room and the upper floor has planted.

"Upon my visit to the farm the following year, I was bitterly up- equipped throughout. braided for sending weedy clover seed. The poor fellow was kept busy, all summer 'pulling the weeds' out of the clover field and, human like I too exploded.

"A home builded on northern Michigan's alfalfa areas, by build. ers possessing an intelligent continuity of purpose, is destined to be a permanent home where, on the humblest table, chicken dinners are not regarded as events.

"A real home is a permanent Autumn is the time of year we abode that, from within, yields to the whole family, food, shelter and be so glad to bid goodbye next necessary comforts, providing in-spring. dustry and efficiency is applied.

held a very enthusiastic meeting in chairman of the meeting. Hillsdale County is one of the 30

campaign and has signed 240 members to date with about half the county covered. This meeting was called attendance was good it was shown by the roll call that not a sufficient number of the townships were repre sented to form a quorum. The business part of the meeting therefore was adjourned to the evening of Friday, December 3, when the real annual meeting will be held and board of directors and officers elected. C. L. Brody, secretary-manager, of the State Farm Bureau, addressed the meeting which was full of interest all

way through. Anyone seeing the enthusiasm of those people over the membership work would certainly have confidence in the future of the Hillsdale County Farm Bureau.

The building in which the meeting was held is worthy of special mention. Hillsdale County has been first in many good things and their latest achievement has been the erecting of a Boys' and Girls' building on the Hillsdale County Fair Grounds. The money for the building was raised

The building is practically all paid for and consists of a dining room floor. The main floor is a splendid large dormitories for boys and girls. The building is well finished and well

Hillsdale County Farm Bureau and Boys' and Girls' Club folk are to be congratulated on having such a splendid headquarters for their boys and girls club work in the county.

Finish every day and be done with it. You have done what you could; some blunders and absurdities no doubt crept in; forget them as soon as you can. This day for all that is good and fair. - Emerson.

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WASHTENAW COUNTY **NORTHERN POTATO GROUP REPRESENTS** SEED FOR SOUTH **MICH. AT CHICAGO** 

State Contest Champions To Take Leading Part In Exposition

State Well Represented In Number Of Animals

### Being Shown

Michigan is represented in the non-collegiate live stock judging contest at the International Live Stock Exposition, this year, by its state champion team from Washtendw county, composed of Raymond Girbach, Saline; Mac Olds, Ypsilanti Clifford Boyer, Salem and Rodney Lincoln, Saline. This team from the Washtenaw County Live Stock club won first in the junior judging contest at the recent Michigan State fair. It will compete at Chicago against similar state champion

teams from all parts of the country to decide the national title. The three highest ranking individuals

will receive agricultural college scholarships of \$500, \$300 and \$200 offered by the Chicago Association of Commerce. Michigan has entered a team in the National contest every of Animal Industry during October. year since it was established, in 19192

In recognition of its educational value to the stockmen and farmers along their lines, all railroads in the Upper Peninsula granted an open found-trip rate of a fare and onethird to the International Live Stock Exhosition. Tickets are being sold from Nov. 25 to Dec. 1, inclusive, and will have a return limit of Dec. 10. All railroads in Lower Michigan have put in effect a rate of a fare and onehalf with a similar period of sale and a return limit of December 6 This offers an excellent opportunity to enjoy a visit to the world's great est agricultural show and a trip to the metropolis with all its attractions at special reduced rates.

#### Michigan Entries

Early entries in the live stock classes by Michigan exhibitors in clude: Gotfredson Land Co., Ypsilanti, 7 Shorthorns; F. E. Shepherd & Son, Charlotte, 1 steer; Rosewood Farm, Howell, 8 Shorthorns; Woodcote Stock Farm, Ionia, 15 Angus Bursley Bros., Charlotte, 8 Oxfords; C. H. Prescott & Sons, Tawas City, Shorthorns; W. S. Wood & Sons; Rives Junction, 10 Milking Short horns; L. C. Kelly & Son, Marshall, 12 Polled Shorthorns and 24 Sheep H. D. Crandell, Cass City, 54 sheep Owosso Sugar Co., Alicia, 18 Belgi ans and 4 drafters; Michigan State College, East Lansing, 11 steers, 15 5 Belgians; Wan, Scripps, Orion, 1 car Shropshire lambs, 3 sheep and hogs: Edwin A. Knapp, Manchester Shorthorn; Howard Hereford Farms, Ionia, 2 Herefords; Herbert

W. A. Branaugh, of Harrisonville Mo., has grown potatoes on the same ield for 20 years and has produced is own seed during that time. He has had satisfactory yields and good

quality potatoes, but last spring he bought 200 pounds of certified northern seed potatoes and reports that he raised two times as many potatoes from a row of certified potatoes as SET RECORD

pay and pay well." A number of other persons who some of the theories long regarded planted certified seed potatoes along as settled.

side their home grown seed have reported double yields for the certified seed and much better quality.



Eleven Counties Were Added To Those That Allow

### Fund to Help

Board of Supervisors in 11 counies appropriated funds for bovine tuberculosis eradication in co-operation with the State Department of Agriculture and the Federal Bureau The law provides that appropriations shall be made during the month of October and the sessions just closed added 11 counties to the waiting list and brought the total number of counties which have approved the plan and appropriated funds for ed. carrying on the work up to 71, leaving only 12 counties in Michigan

which have not yet passed favorably on this program. The eleven new counties include Saginaw, Lapeer, Oakland and Jackson in the southern part of the state. Oscoda, Lake, Osceola, Clare, Arenac and Mecosta in the upper half of the lower peninsula and Keweenaw, the

northernmost county in the upper peninsula. These counties add 27, 000 herds including 216,000 cattle. to the waiting list. In Jackson county, where the work was discontinued by popular vote in November 1924, the Board of Supervisors ap-

propriated the money subject to the approval of the people in the regular election on November 2nd. The vote was favorable and Jackson County has been placed on the waiting list once more,

Sometimes criticism is offered for not making a greater effort to line up new counties for the work. The long waiting list of counties, ever since the campaign got nicely under way, is the best answer to this critiism. State and federal funds availhogs, 45 sheep and 8 Percherons and able for carrying on the tuberculosis eradication campaign have never been sufficient to meet the demands 19 Angus; C. A) Gross, Hartford, 23 from the counties and to solicit new counties when they were coming in voluntarily much faster than they could be taken care of, has not been

**ORCHARDIST GIVES DEMONSTRATION IN APPLE TREE CARE** Cass County Fruit Men Show

Active Interest In Orchard Study

In regard to pruning mature apple he did from a row of home grown. trees, Prof. Cardinell, research spe-No doubt Mr. Branaugh has been cialist in orchard culture, stationed using better seed potatoes than are in Cass county, conducting several generally used, but he says, "I am demonstrations in Cass county wrong. Northern seed potatoes will orchards recently, stated that results of recent experiments tend to upset

For instance, pruning has been

held to be a good substitute for thinning the fruit, but carefully checked that the thinning can be done more know their sins forgiven. cheaply. Pruning has also been employed to stimulate growth of devitalized trees, but for this purpose respects to Mrs. Buchanan, and subnitrogen carrying fertilizers can be employed at a considerable saving of

money and with greater effectiveness All this does not mean that prun ing is a thing of the past, but it does indicate that growers can easily waste a lot of time and money by PAYMENT IS MADE over-pruning and at the same time

do their orchard a real damage. On the positive side of the question, of course, all dead wood should be cut out. Interlacing branches should be all or partially removed to prevent limb rubs on the fruit. Pruning may be employed to discourage excessive height, but caution must be exercised here or, for each limb cut off, several sprouts will take its place, Mr. Cardinell show

Too many growers, he stated prune the center of their trees too heavily, causing the bearing area to he only a shell on the outside of th tree. Also, frequently, in an effort to "open up" the tree, so many limbs are removed that serious sun scald results. All cuts greater than two

inches in diameter should be painted with coal tar thinned with creo sote oil to prevent decay. As regards control of fire blight this disease cannot be fought with

sprays as it is a bacterial disease that growers of Michigan. Scattering works inside the bark. When its clips were received from wool pro presence is discovered the cankers from which it is spread should be located and scraped off. This can best be done in the winter when the outside limits of the canker gan be easily determined. After the sap begins to flow, very little can be ac-

complianen. MIDLAND COUNTY? **ELECTS OFFICERS AT ANNUAL MEET** 

Organization Out To Make A

Membership Record During Year

"A postmaster appointed under President Buchanan found in his intructions that he was expected to reort quarterly. He addressed the fol-

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lowing official communication, which Antrim County Now Leads In vas printed in Harpers Monthly of July, 1881, to the president: "Mr. James Buchanan, President

of the United States: Dear Sir: Been required by the

instructions of the Post Office to report quarterly. I know heerwith fool fil that pleasing duty by reportin as follows. The harvesting has been go ing on peerty, and most of the nabors have got their cutting dun Wheat is hardly a average crop; or rolan lan corn is yallerish and wont turn out more than ten or fifteen bushels to the aker The health of the community is only tolerable and

one-half miles from here There is a methods. powerful awakening on the subject experiments have shown and many soals are being made to

> port the present quarter. Give my scribe myself.

> > ISAIAH JOHNSON. "Postmaster at Shannon. Fulton Co., Illinois.

tem of seed culture. Operating costs holery has broke out about 2 and are being kept af a minimum by their Sweet clover is grown in the fields of religion in the falls naborhood first. It prepares the soil for alfalfa to follow. Grow Hardigan Alfalfa "This is about awl I have to re-After the first crop of sweet clov-

er seed is harvested, they disk the fields. Enough seed usually shells off the first crop to self-seed the Yours truly. field. If not, the field is seeded to Hardigan alfalfa, a hardy variety developed at Michigan State College by

the late Prof. Frank A. Spragg, plant breeder. **TO MICH. GROWERS** FOR WOOL POOLED

Association Manager Says I Was Largest Pool Ever Handled

Exactly 3,996,894 pounds of wool were received by the Ohio Wool Growers' Co-operative Association up to October 30, J. F. Walker, secretary of the association and wool marketing specialist, of the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation has just an nounced.

While the wool co-operative was organized to serve Ohio growers, 358,360 pounds of wool were consigned to it this year by Indiana growers and 115,926 pounds by ducers of other states.

**DENIES EXEMPTION** Of the 4,000,000 pounds received slightly more than 2,500,000 pounds had been sold and 1,318,740 pounds remained to be sold on Oct. 30, Wool contained in the 8,294 lots

ame from more growers than conribute to any similar wool market ng organization in the United States, e says.

Most of the wools handled by the Ohio co-operative are those known in the market as fine wools. About million and three quarters pounds of wools falling into the classes known as delaine, baby delaine, half association that is otherwise exempt hree-eighths, and quarter blood stawill not lose its exemption if it does le have been sold at prices ranging business, with or for non-members. rom 42 to 46 cents, delivered east. if the proceeds of sales in the case

Clothing wools have brought from of marketing organizations are turn-38 to 41 cents, delivered east, with ed back to the members and non-seedy and burry wools and other low- members "less the necessary marketr stocks' bringing prices below this.



eed production is a new industry FOLLOWS RIGHT IN LINE which promises to put thousands of acres of idle, but fertile cutover land

> Principal Agricultural States Are Rapidly Adopting

Mutual Plan

months. A list of reliable manufa turers is kept by the secretary A state-wide mutual automobile in this association or can be had surance company for farmers has writing the office of the Michig been launched by the Illinois Agri-Farm Bureau News. cultural Association.

The decision to go into this field ollowed a joint meeting of Farm Bureau presidents and the executive committee of the I. A. A. in Chicago recently, when the proposition receiv ed the unanimous endorsement of

the assembly. The trend toward compulsory liability auto insurance which is becoming more apparent each day was a factor in influencing the state association to enter this field, Massachusetts already has passed a law

Fields which self-seed produce the compelling all auto owners to carry heapest seed crops. Yields of five liability and accident insurance, and o seven bushels of sweet clover are a similar bill will probably be intro abtained per acre. This seed sold round \$7 a bushel last year and the duced in the Illinois state legislature next winter. rop from many fields repaid their Find Facts

owners two and three times the orig-Information uncovered by the in nal cost of the land. vestigating committee reveals that Only two pounds of Hardigan al there is one motor vehicle for every falfa seed is sown per acre where the erop is being grown for seed. Many 5.7 persons in the United States. The number of automobile fatalities has fields in northern Michigan will yield increased from 11,074 in 1920 to two and three bushels per acre this 19,828 in 1925. The Association eason.

**ON CO-OP INCOMES** 

Recently, a co-operative association

lone with non-members.

in northern Michigan to work.

L. L. Drake and W. C. Cribbs.

Michigan State College extension spe-

cialists, are among the leaders in

They are practicing a unique sys-

this new movement at Mancelona.

feels that farmers are preferred risks The seed now nis being quoted since they drive almost altogether in around, \$30 a bushel. The land on the country and rural sections. which it was grown cost around \$20 Therefore they should have the adan acre. vantage of a much lower rate than Radish seed production also

the city dweller. playing a prominent part in increas-Policies in the new company will ing the prosperity of northern Michibe issued only to Farm Bureau memgan's agriculture. Antrim county now produces about 50 per cent of bers or members of their immediate the entire radish seed crop in the

families. An immediate drive will be made for 5,000 charter members United States. Much of this seed necessary to the operation of the crop is grown on recently cleared, company. cheap cutover lands.

#### **Broad Powers**

The new organization is organized under the uniform mutual law of the state and is a legal reserve company The powers of the company are broad enough so it can write other form of insurance besides automobile. I will not, however, enter the fire lightning or windstorm field.

vas denied exemption from payment Control will rest in a board of d of income taxes by the Bureau of rectors by the policy holders each of internal Revenue because its records whom will have one vote. The Exdid not disclose the amount of busiecutive Committee of the Illinois ness which it had done with mem-Agricultural Association will be the bers and the amount which it had first board of directors, Under the revenue act of 1926, an

The officials of the Association

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THE MARKET'S

HIGHEST MARK

M. Vincent, New Holland, 10 Spotted necessary. Poland-Chinas and 1 Poland-China; and Corey Farms, New Haven, 18 Berkshires.

#### Show Sets Records

With the closing of the entry books for the individual live stock classes, Secretary-Manager B. H. and dairy counties are among this Heide announced that the greatest number and some of them may be array of cattle, horses, sheep and hogs ever brought together will take part in the contest of the exposition. Entries in the horse show and in the carload classes were expected to well exceed T1.500 animals. XCathe lead in the individual class-

dell furnishing 1959 head out of a ta-131 of 4845 entries, with sheep ranking next with 1275, swine 1163 and Borses 448. This is an increase of around 500 over last year's total.

In the cattle division Herefords list 557, Shorthorns 406, Aberdeen-Angus 376, Milking Shorthorns 150, Red Polls 125, Polled Shorthorns 115, Galloways 40 and grade and cross-bred steers 190.

Among the sheep, Shropshires The list includes 162 Southdowns, 159 Hampshires, 159 Rambouillets, wolds, 66 Lincolns, 56 Cheviots, 37 breds.

Chester Whites top the swine during November and December and Hampshires, 149 Poland-Chinas, 148 ary, Yorkshires, 81 Spotted Poland-Chinas, and 18 Tamworths.

Special Features

The draft horse entries include 125 Percherons, 107 Belgians, 105 Clydesdales, 35 Shires, 14 Suffolks and 62 draft horses in harness.

Among the many interesting entries is the world's champion litter of 17 hogs which weighed 5117 pounds at six months of age. Another is a mutton improvement demonstration flock from the University of Wisconsin which will show the

astonishing results obtained from mating purebred rams with common grade range ewes. An exhibit of pedigreed cattle and grade steers from a famous Missouri breeding establishment will, in like manner, visualize the improvement which can be made by the use of registered bulls on ordinary farm grade cows. The Exposition will be packed throughout with many similar educational attractions.

A Collegiate Meats Judging Conand a support

The 12 counties which so far have

withheld approval of the plan include Lenawee, Ionia, Montcalm, Gratiot, Midland, Bay, Huron, Sanilac, Alcona, Alpena, Mackinac and Chippewa. Several important livestock en was chosen chairman and C. S heard from during the coming year. The second test of Monroe County has been completed with very satisfactory results. 3.510 herds including 22,853 cattle were tested and 336 eactors found on 239 premises. The number of infected farms has been ceduced by nearly 60 per cent and the percent of infection is less than onethird as much as found on the first test. Another complete test of the

county will be made during the summer of 1927. The first test has been completed

in Benzie and Dickinson counties and both showed very light infection. Retesting the infected herds in

these counties will place them in stand at the head with 192 entries. line for accreditation. Work has been started in Kalamazoo and Tuscola counties. Kalamazoo has about 144 Dorsets, 78 Oxfords, 71 Cots- 26,000 cattle while Tuscola, one of the leading dairy counties of the Schoup, Midland; Albert Jacobs, Leicesters, and 151 grades and cross- state, has upward of 40,000 head. Merrill; H. A. Sias, Midland, R. 5 The drive in Tuscola will be put on

breeds with 248 entries, followed by Kalamazoo county will be taken care Berkshires with 192. The entry of following the completion of Tusbooks show 177 Duroc-Jerseys, 150 cola, probably in January or Febru-

During October 4,645 herds, inoluding 35,286 cattle, were tested and 723 reactors or 2.04 per cent infection found. On November first there were 109,793 herds including 845,719 cattle under supervision in Michigan, and 103,275 of these herds. including 770,555 cattle, had shown clean tests without reactors. At the new start and is well on the way to same date there were 50,424 herds and 432,437 cattle on the waiting

list. For a long time it has been known that poultry and swine are subject to it. tuberculosis just as cattle and hu- because of the great interest which mans are and there has been consid- the Hillsdale County Board of Supererable conjecture but very little real visors showed in the bovine tubercu knowledge as to the extent of infec- losis eradication campaign and the tion and the ways in which the dis- wonderful spirit of co-operation ease is spread. In order that more which the herd owners have shown definite information might be ob- during the time in which the work tained in regard to infection in these has been in progress. This work other kinds of farm animals a "Tu- was started April 21, 1926, and was berculosis Free Farm Plan" similar entirely voluntary on the part of the to the accredited herd plan but in- farmers. Twenty-five farms were

cluding hogs and poultry as well as selected, though many more were of cattle was prepared and tried out in fered, as it seemed best to try the that one of the animals was full of Stock and Meat board will be held Hillsdale County during the past experiment out with a few at the that of the first time.

Midland County Farm Bureau held the annual meeting in the dining ment in full for their 1926 consignroom of the Community Center ments. building at Midland, on Tuesday, November 23. In the absence of the **MICHIGAN SPUDS** president and secretary, Oscar Wall-

Schoup as secretary. A potluck dinner was served and eight townships were represented. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Pelton provided

The November 1, estimate of the music. Midland County is in the thirtypotato crop of the United States was 360,727,000 bushels, an increase of county wolunteer membership campaign where the follow-up work is about 10 million bushels over the previous month's figure. There were now being conducted and is going to write a good membership. A large small increases in all leading states part of the county is not yet cover- except Ohio, Wisconsin and Colorado. each of these reporting slight deedu creases. Some frost-injury occurred Math. Noon, vice-president of the

Michigan State Farm Bureau, gave in the northwest states, and there is rot from blight in Wisconsin and a very inspiring address and Mr. portions of some eastern states. Bentall, head of the organization de-While the quality in Michigan is genpartment, explained some things about the Farm Bureau program. Great interest centered around th election of the Board of Directors. The following were elected: Frank Lundy, Coleman; Mrs. Clifford S Chas. Mudd, Midland; Jerome Coris expected.

bat, Merrill, R. 2; Mrs. Gus Olson, Freeland, R. 2. bushels which, except for the years The newly elected directors con-

vened after the meeting and elected 1912 and 1924, is the largest on the following officers: President, Albert Jacobs; Vice-President, H. A. Sias and Secretary-Treasurer, Jerome requirements as the acreage planted Corbat.

Active arrangements are under the smallest in 20 years except that way to complete the canvass in the of 1925, according to a statement issued by Verne H. Church, U. S. Agricounty and there is every reaso to believe that the Midland County cultural Statistican for Michigan. Farm Bureau has taken a splendid a large membership.

As with life, so with livestock, you a sufficient advance to cover carry-

Practically all growers of Michi- The quality or the value of the prodgan, Indiana and western Ohio using ucts furnished by them," or in the the co-operative, have received 'pay- case of purchasing associations, if the supplies and equipment are turned over to the members or other per-

sons "at actual cost plus necessary expenses." The foregoing with respect to non-members is subject to the following: **HIGH IN QUALITY** "Such an association may

market the products of nonmembers in an amount the value of which does not exceed the value of the products marketed for members, and may purchase supplies and equipment for non-, members in an amount the value of which does not exceed the value of the supplies and equipment purchased for members, provided the value of the purchases made for persons who are neither members nor producers does not exceed 15 per centum of the value of all its purchas-

The language just quoted was the erally good, for the country as a basis for denying exemption to the whole it averages slightly lower than association. in any previous season in 25 years

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