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HUNDREDS TO ATTEND FARM BUREAU BOOSTER MEETING



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Sparks From the Legislative Anvil Captured, Confined in Cold Type, Sentenced to Serve Our Members

An interesting side-light on th arious divergent reports as to the State's financial condition, which are published from time to time, was presented in a bill by Rep. Wilber B. Snow of Comstock which would prohibit publishing or issuing false tatements relating to the finances of the State or any municipal division thereof. The House approved the bill by a vote of 80 to 0 and or dered it to take immediate effect.

Rep. Turner's bill to distribute mong the more needy school dis tricts of the State \$2,000,000 of the revenue produced by the corporation tax is still languishing in a Senate Committee. The House approved this proposal by an overwhelming vote but for some reason the Senate loesn't seem to consider it wise or expedient.

* * * In order to take care of the pres-

nt deficit in the State treasury resulting from the neglect of the preious administration to spread on the tax roll many appropriations made by the 1925 Legislature, Sen. James C. Quinlan of Grand Rapids. Chairman of the Senate Committee on Finance and Appropriations, has introduced a bill to provide an appropriation for \$4,660,072.81. This sum would be used to take care of the inherited deficits which the new administration found in 54 State institution and departments.

Once more Rep. John Holland of logebic has led an unsuccessful atempt to secure the enactment of a law providing for an eight-hour day and time and a half for overime. For four sessions now Rep. Holland has sponsored similar proposals and cach time the House has urned him down. This year his bill was defeated by a vote of 12 yeas to

LONG BATTLE IN LEGISLATURE ENDS **IN DEFEAT OF THE LELAND MEASURE TO PROVIDE A THREE CENT GAS TAX**

House Votes To Table Bill After Giving It A 50 To 38 Vote Of Disapproval. Farmer Influence Brought Down At Final Hour Changes Sentiment

Defeated Wednesday in the House by a vote of 38 yeas to 50 nays, the three cent gas tax bill sponsored by Sen. George Leland of Fennville was reconsidered and laid upon the table. Now the question is whether the measure will remain "dead" or Phoenix-like, be revived and approved by the Representatives.

Ever since its defeat many members have been busy trying to arrange compromise amendments to win enough additional votes to write this proposal on the State's statute books. **Bill Passed Senate**

The Leland bill had previously SEVENTY YEARS AND passed the Senate with but three

negative votes, those of Senator Lennon of Genesee County and Senators Wood and Woodruff of Wayne, bu as soon as the people of the State understood its provisions, such pop ular protest was raised that formidable opposition promptly developed among the Representatives.

The bill proposed to boost the gas tax to 3 cents per gallon without providing any corresponding reduction in the weight tax. It made no provision for permanent plates for passenger cars. The extra cent gas tax would have brought in about \$6. 000,000 additional highway revenue all of which would have been available for State highway purposes except that enough would have been divided among the counties so that, taken with the \$6,000,000 which the counties now receive, it would have been equivalent to a full fifty per

cent of the weight tax. The Farm Bureau Legislative Minute Men were supplied with petitions "PRAYING THAT THERE BE NO INCREASE IN THE GAS TAX UNLESS CORRESPONDING DE. (Continued on page three)

And Thus They Voted **On The Leland Bill**

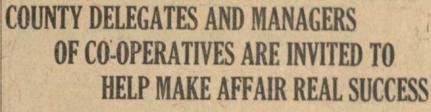
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BUREAU SUPPORTS BILLS FULL COVERAGE SOUGHT



May Fourth Is Scheduled As Big Booster Day. Automobile Insurance, Salesmanship And Financing Of Co-operatives Will Be The Subjects Discussed

Voting delegates from every Farm Bureau county in the state are expected to attend a special meeting at Michigan State College on May 4. At this time it is planned to stage a big booster meeting to which the delegates and all co-op managers and members of their boards of directors are invited.

Several very prominent men in their respective lines are being booked to address the meeting, including Lucius E. Wilson, who was counsel for the big membership campaign for the State Farm Bureau a year ago, Arthur G. Taylor, of Chicago, directing head of one of the biggest schools of salesmanship training in the country, and George J. Mecherle, president and one of the founders of the State Farm Mutual Auto Insurance Company, of Bloomington, Ill.



The legislature is making great efort to stem the tide of crime and awlessness which is so seriously to attend the meeting and the invitamenacing Michigan.

Although the Senate has not takdefinite action regarding capital punishment, it has followed the House in approving the Harris-Condon crime code which is probably the

session. This bill consists of a codi-

The meeting is to be opened by L. Nash, newly appointed head of the organization department of the State Farm Bureau. The chief feaure of the meeting will be one of trengthening the organization by nstilling pep and enthusiasm in the ninds of all who attend and to give hem some messages of real merit. Mr. Wilson, known to nearly all Farm Bureau people in the state, omes with a new idea in mind; a plan which he proposes for aiding the various co-ops to finance their own ousiness

This plan of financing, he exlains, is so drawn up as to be a workable proposition which might e used for aiding the State Farm Bureau in some of its business ventures. His mission will be one of explaining the principle of this plan and instructing as to its application, f it is adopted.

At least 300 persons are expected ion is extended to all Bureau members who can, to visit Lansing on this date to help make the meeting a success.

A complimentary dinner is to be served to all who attend and during most far-reaching legislation which the luncheon hour entertainment feawill be enacted during the present tures are to be introduced. The first session of the meeting is to be held

An amusing feature of the discusions was that some members wanted to be very sure that the bill would not apply to farm labor. Other Representatives said that if we were going to have an eight-hour day in other industries we should have it on the farms as well. It was pointed out that everything that is done to shorten hours and increase wages in industries only makes it that much more difficult for farmers to handle heir labor problems.

4 nays.

In vetoing the \$5 per day expense llowance which the legislators had voted themselves, Gov. Fred W Green said, in part:

"It is admitted by all who come in contact with the legislature that ts members are underpaid. Their alary of \$800 for a term of two years is so small that every member must submit to a financial loss. The imposition of this hardship does not should be remedied.

"This bill is an attempt to inrease the compensation you are to receive for your services as members of the legislature.

ing them.

day

"The voters at the November elecion refused to approve any increase. believe they were absolutely wrong. But I believe also that the very founlation of popular government is the heory that the people have a right to make their own mistakes, and hat no power save the people themselves has a right to presume to recify those mistakes.

We have, however, the right and the clear duty to go back to the people, lay the facts before them and ask for a new and wiser decision. The facts have never been properly presented to the people. When they are made clear, I have no doubt of the result.'

road or truck, the vehicle should have keep them in good condition. cards on both sides bearing the statement, "This Car (or Truck) Contains Population of Farms Fuberculous Cattle." In addition. the shipping bill should indicate that tuberculous cattle are being shipped and the number of such cattle should he shown.

Many of the old, unfit poultry houses now found on farms could be mates by the U. S. Bureau of Agri- hews, head of the chemistry departcultural Economics. remodeled at little expense and trouble in such a way that they would provide a comfortable home for the flock.

father made. - Christian Science culations. Monitor.



1927," the Michigan Livestock Loss Prevention association is going out College Birthday and Kedzie to attempt to curtail the enormous Birthday Are Planned ive stock losses experienced in pre-To Be Observed vious years through 'more careful methods of handling animals in ship-

nent this year. \$150,000 through careless shipping make May 12 and 13 this year, two Michigan State Farm Bureau. method in 1926, this organization memorable dates in the history of informs us.

this great state institution. The break from cold weather to spells of unusually warm weather, thick come at this season of years ago on the thir-spells of unusually warm weather, to which the college was The break from cold weather to which come at this season of year. first thrown open to admit students. time the Huff bill emerged from the tion against theft of their cars, beare exceptionally hard on fat ani- Those were the good old days committee and worked its way up to cause of the ease with which the auimposition of this hardship does n it mals packed closely in freight cars when the school year ran through the order of third reading of bills, tomobile thief can get back into the for shipment. The animals have not the summer months and the "long but it was then re-referred to the country over the improved roads of become accustomed to the warni vacation" came during the winter committee. Prospects looked dark. weather and, when in transit during months, for the institution then was indeed, for the passage of either of there has grown up a more general a spring hot spell, many are lost un- truly an agricultural college, afford- these measures. less extra care is exercised in load- ing courses of instruction during the season when agriculture could best

This new organization, which em- be studied. braces in its membership, shipping, This one date, May 13, has come were made for public hearings before may be, that is leading the farmer Rushton's bill by the House, was the organization meeting and is especialtransportation, packing and other to be an accepted holiday at the col- the committees which had these bills to accept protective insurance more subject of considerable difference of ly applicable for the membership agencies interested directly in the lege but it assumes even greater sig- in charge. Notices of the hearings live stock industry, claims that on nificance this year and along with were sent to the Farm Bureau's Leg one market last June, 293 animals it, the seventleth birthday of one of islative Minute Men, about forty of arrived dead in shipment on one the old timers, Dean Frank S. Ked- whom responded by coming to Lan- agement. zie, is to be observed in fitting style sing to demonstrate to the legislative

Among the hints given for loss on May 12. prevention are: Hot spells come sud- It is especially befitting that testimony that chicken stealing in denly, be prepared; bed cars with these two anniversary days fall in this state is indeed a serious matter sand, not straw; wet car floors be- immediate succession. Honor is and one regarding which Michigan fore loading; spray water on feet and about to be paid to the name of Ked- farmers should have more adequate bellies of hogs but do not put cold zie on the seventieth anniversary of protection. water on the backs of warm hogs; the college in the dedicating of the

handle animals patiently and avoid new \$600,000 chemistry building. excitement; haul hogs to shipping which is going down into the history pens; do not feed just before or af- of the compus as the Kedzie Chemi- slow to act. Their response was in

When tuberculous animals are hot weather and hang bags filled zie and his son, Dean Frank S. Kid- Men. Both bills were reported with ing suit for damages for personal inshipped for slaughter, either by rail- with ice in cars loaded with hogs, to zie-two, prominent personages in amendments, making them more de-

name and the activities of a Kedzie. The farm population of the United On the day of the dedication of States decreased 649,000 persons last this wonderful new laboratory, the

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Measures Practically Dead Far-Reaching Effects Of Ac- statutes relative to court procedure Until Farm Bureau cidents Leading To **Revived** Them Insurance

Farm Bureau members may take While statistics of national scope, large measure of satisfaction from covering recent years show that only contains several of the provisions of the final passage through the Legis- about six per cent of farmer-owned lature of the Hall and Huff bills in- automobiles were carrying insurance ended to discourage poultry steal- and the major part of this insurance penalty for fourth conviction for a ing. These measures are of special was for fire and theft protection felony is specified as life imprisoninterest to the membership, not only alone, it is interesting to note the ment. because practically every farmer has manner in which the farmers of poultry, but because their passage Michigan have been taking on auto-Efforts are well under way by was to a considerable extent due to mobile insurance this year with prop-Michigan Livestock shippers lost 150,000 through careless shipping make May 12 and 13 this year, two Michigan State Farm Bureau. Both of these bills survived serious below anything they had previously legislative commission authorized by

opposition in the House only to be heard of. the past few years and ply his trade.

In the face of these discouraging ance in its various applications, conditions the Farm Bureau took up

committees by their presence and

Legislators Respond

When the Senate committees understood the situation, they were not Watch T. B. Shipments in cars; load upper decks light in reverence for Dean Robert C. Ked- Farm Bureau Legislative Minute

> the college life of old M. A. C., and sirable, and the' Senate passed them the newer M. S. C., for as long as promptly. The Representatives folthere has been a Michigan Agricul- lowed suit by agreeing to the Sentural College, there has been asso- ate amendments and thus the two Shows Big Decrease diated with its teaching faculty the bills were speeded on their way to Governor Green for his signature.

In case there are Farm Bureau members who are not aware as to year, the biggest decrease in any service of chemistry will be explain- the exact provisions of these two bills years have had more or less com- at the bottom. It was filled with si- principally for the members and not year since 1920, according to esti-ed in an address by Dr. J. H. Mat- relative to poultry stealing, it might ment regarding the ditch silo. This is lage cut in the usual manner and cov- for pecuniary profit, the following, hews, head of the chemistry depart-ment of the University of Wisconsin, tail. The first bill was introduced by

The number of persons living on farms January 1, 1927, is estimated dedicatory services, which are to be tended to assist in catching and conat 27,892,000 against 28,541,000 held in the finished section of the victing poultry thieves. It provides galiston township, in Menominee was fed from the end of the ditch in agent for either party in buying, sell-January 1, 1926. The 1925 agricul-new building. Dr. Kenyon L. Butter- that dealers purchasing poultry for county, built and filled one last fall very much the same manner that we ing or contracting for any commod-Many a son is shining on the hav tural census figure, 28,982,000 was field, president of the college, is to resale would keep certain informa- and reports very favorably on his feed from the top of the silo. Mr ities, publications, insurance or inused as a base for the Bureau's cal- have charge of the services and will tion relative to each transaction on experience. The trench which was Bottkol reports that the sliage kept demnity contracts or services of any

fication and revision of Michigan in criminal cases. It is intended to speed up criminal practice by eliminating many of the technicalities of the present laws so that justice might be more swift and sure. It

> the much discussed Baumes laws in 12:15 o'clock. New York State. For instance, the

The new criminal code consists of which Mr. Bentall is handling as 163 printed pages, the text of which state agent, explained by the one

the previous Legislature. It was commission.

Flogging Bill to Green Another criminal punishment bill,

not as far-reaching in character, but much more spectacular, is the Rushton bill. It specifies life imprisonunderstanding of the value of insur- ment for robbery while armed, and was 'finally amended to include a whether automobile insurance, life whipping post provision. This amend- Farm Bureau, claim it is the type the fight in earnest. Arrangements insurance or whatever insurance it ment which was tacked on to Sen. of address that is worthwhile in any as the business man has accepted it opinion between the two bodies, but work that is being arranged in so in recent years as something virtual- finally the following compromise many counties at this time and for ly necessary to good business man- amendment was accepted:

its discretion, further sentence such brought up at this meeting, amend-**Business Demands Insurance** Just as the business man finds it guilty person to receive not more ing the articles of association. good business practice to carry pro. than six strokes at any one time, of a To amend the articles, it is necestective insurance for his business, porus cowhide strap two inches in sary that voting delegates be present based on his own life, so the farmer width, two and a half feet in length from at least a majority of the counis learning to study his own situa- and one-sixteenth of an inch in ties.

tion and is taking to the trade-named | thickness, on the bare back, well "full coverage" automobile insur- laid on, at intervals to be designated ance because in it he can foresee the by the court at the time of such senpossibility of protecting his entire tence. Such flogging shall be done life savings, including the home and by the warden of the prison 'or his ter loading; do not crowd animals cal Laboratory, out of respect and harmony with the desires of the all family possessions, in the face aides, and under the direction and of a serious accident and a result- in the presence of the prison physi-

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Ditch Silo Is Successful Menominee Man Discovered

The farm papers for the past few, feet wide at the top and 5 feet wide used was about six feet deep, seven excellently with very little waste.

in the auditorium of the new Horticultural building at the College at 10:00 o'clock, Eastern time, and the afternoon sessions will be held in the ball room of the Union Memorial building immediately following the luncheon which is to be served at

In getting Mr. Mecherle here for the occasion it is the aim of the officers of the State Farm Bureau to have the automobile insurance plan,

Mr. Wilson's plan is advanced as a real proposal of sound financing for direction, by prominent social and fraternal organizations in several states.

Farm Bureau leaders who heard Mr. Taylor address a big meeting in Michigan a year ago, speaking on salesmanship and its application to the work of the co-op managers.

"Provided, That the court may in | Two business matters are to be

In sending out the invitation to delegates the following purposes were outlined:

FIRST, To amend Article II to read as follows:

The purposes of this Association shall be to encourage, correlate and promote the efforts of the county Farm Bureaus of Michigan affiliated with it and their individual members and to cooperate with other agricultural organizations in advancement nd improvement of agricultural inerests in Michigan and the nation, educationally, legislatively and econcomically, by doing primarily and

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agriculture and champion every movement for the betterment of rural life.

Their attitude is illustrated by the activity of THE MICHI-GAN BUSINESS FARMER during recent weeks in defending Mr. L. J. Wilson of Greenville who was held on a manslaughter charge for accidentally eausing the death of a man who was trying to rob his poultry coop. Through the efforts of THE BUSI-NESS FARMER more than 60,000 signatures were obtained to petitions asking for the acquittal of Mr. Wilson. Several hundred dollars were raised for his defense.

THE MICHIGAN FARMER has been equally aggressive in its efforts to secure proper consideration of the property rights of Michigan farmers. For instance, for many months it has been conducting an active educational campaign to secure the enactment of effective legislation to require hunters to obtain the written permission of farmers before trespassing on enclosed and improved farm property. THE MICHIGAN FARMER insists that a workable law be enacted-one that will have adequate provisions for its enforcement.

Wherever things of interest to Michigan farmers are happening, there you will find the representatives of these two publications. Recently when the Farm Bureau arranged hearings before several committees of the Legislature for the consideration of various bills regarding farm trespass and poultry stealng, THE MICHIGAN FARMER was represented by its editor, Burt Wermuth, and THE MICHIGAN BUSINESS FARMER by its editor, Milon Grinnell, and its field service manager, Robert J. Mc-Colgan.

We trust that every Farm Bureau family receives regularly one or both of these splendid farm Journals. Their editorials and articles may be read with a great deal of profit. They are fighting for you and deserve your support.

PLANT A TREE, THEN SAVE IT

Where there is a desert there can be no trees, and where there are trees there can be no desert. There is a direct and vital relation between the great forest areas and the conditions which make a country livable.

Some 35 or 40 years ago the Lake States-Michigan, Wisconsin, and Minnesota, were covered with an apparently inexhaustible supply of wonderful white pine, and today it is almost gone. The original supply of white pine in the Lake States was estimated to have been 350,000,000,000 board feet. Today it has been reduced to 6,000,000,000, and it will be all gone in about 10 years, commercially.

America as a Nation is only 150 years old, and in that short time we have gone farther on the road of destruction and devastation and wastefulness and profligacy than any people that ever lived. In the last few years we have been reading about King Tut, who was supposed to have reigned in Egypt some 3,500 years ago. As we glance down through the long span of history intervening we see countless nations rise and fall. We see kingdoms and principalities and powers almost without number come and go, and it makes us wonder what may be the future of this, our America, only 150 years old. It makes us wonder especially when we realize how great a garden spot America was and how richly endowed with all the magnificent wealth that nature creates, the most favored land of which civilized man has any knowledge, and yet a land that has been despoiled and robbed and riven further on the road of devastation than any land heretofore known.

We do not own America. We have this great land only on a life lease, even though the property stands in our names at the courthouses all over America. We have it only so long as the breath of life is in us, and then, according to the laws of nature, we must pass it on to another generation. This great land, the most favored in the history of the world, the most richly blessed in the matter of natural resources which we have spent with a lavish prodigal hand, this land that eame to us with all its manifold and magnificent blessings, brought to us also a great and solemn and everlasting responsibility, to keep this our America as great and as wonderful and as worth while as it was when we received it .- (From speeches of Congressman M. L. Davey, of Ohio-Congressional record).

Dunn, Mrs. Harvey Buyea and Mr. Frank Bennett of the organization department of the Michigan State Farm Bureau who is assisting the Shiawassee County Farm Bureau in increasing its membership, and the following from Jackson county-Mrs. Anton Orban, Mrs. John G. Noon and Mrs. Burr Wood and Walter Fox, of Livingston county.

LET'S WAIT

Under this heading two weeks ago short comment was made on instructions sent out by the county agent of Cass county relative to the corn borer situation over there.

The point in question was not one of individual concern aimed particularly at any individual but treated of a specific instance of possible, though unintended misguidance at a critical time.

To this editorial serious exception is taken by what we may well consider some of the most progressive farmers of the state. Their objections, as written to the News, appear under the Open Forum caption in this issue of the News.

There perhaps are many other readers of this paper who can go down through these letters and nod an assent or lisp a solemn amen to the sentiments. For that we are grateful and that is no more than was anticipated two weeks ago. But, for each of them, without a doubt, taking things "as is through life in general," there will be many who are ever looking for the first and the last and every opportunity to shift the responsibility to some one else, whether the problem be one of controlling corn borers or any other move for improvement undertaken in the community.

For the past few years, during the time the corn borer has been establishing a stronghold in Michigan, there have been too many farmers just doing what the county agent of Cass county recently suggested-sitting by "until the time came" and today we find that the time came without their realizing it and it is costing millions of dollars in actual cash outlay besides the crop loss so difficult to estimate.

There is no questioning the sincerity of the county agent in this instance nor do the farmers of the higher calibre need to be hammered on the spine to get them to co-operate but there is a side to the question which makes it appear just a little safer at times to avoid instructing where the instructions can so easily be misapplied by those who attempt to shift the load at every turn. And so, again, we say, "Why wait?"

It is quite time that both the economists and the sociologists, as well as the leaders of farmers, and indeed the general public, should have keener appreciation of what is involved in the difficult question of correlating economic and social motives and results. We all stand in the last analysis for quality of life among the farm people as well as among other groups in our eivilization. We are equally cognizant of the fact that quality of life in an industrial age can be developed only as the material is spiritualized .- Kenyon L. Butterfield.

When I joined the Farm Bureau I signed a legal contract to pay my dues. I was willing because I believe in the Farm Bureau. I pay my dues promptly because I want them to be worth 100 cents on the dollar .- Bill Dooit, in Ohio Farm Bureau News.

Legislature Enacts College Is Planning **Drastic Measures**

Anniversary Holiday

Much is Planned

college, much is being planned.

cadet corps leader, is to address this

The Army and Navy Club of Lan-

whole affair will wind up with the

usual anniversary ban, beginning at

(Continued from page one) While this amendment was adop- introduce Dean Eugene Davenport, take into consideration the amount ted by the Senate without a single of the class of '78, for a short ad- of corn raised, harvested and fed. vote to spare, the House approved it dress, and Prof. A. J. Clarke, of the with no idea of the regulations to be unanimously. This is just one evi- faculty staff, who will tell briefly imposed, the amount of time avail-

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OPEN FORUM

The NEWS welcomes letters from the membership on questions interesting to the membership, Such letters must be signed and be reasonably short because of our limited space—500 words is a good limit; they should be temperate in language and offer a constructive answer to the question in hand. Communications are invited.

"April 18, 1927 Editor,

Mich. Farm Bureau News: "I fail to see the necessity of giving county agent Barnum an editorial denunciation because he notified

the farmers of Cass conuty that the area in which the corn borer regulations are to be applied this year does not include Cass county.

"I, for one, appreciate the fact that Mr. Barnum gives us, the farmers, credit for some little knowledge of our own.

"We are fully aware of the serious situation which confronts us, but what is the use of dealing us out a double dose of fearsome propagan. da day in and day out?

"When it is deemed necessary to quarantine Cass county, we will glady do anything we can to help ourselves and the authorities, but when the Farm Bureau News has no better space filler than a fault-finding editorial about a county agent who answers an honest question truthful. ly, it fills us with a deep feeling of disgust.

Yours very truly,

Eugene R. Huntley. Shady Shores Farm, R 1, Niles, Mich."

> "South Haven, Michigan April 23, 1927

Mich, Farm Bureau News: "I do not think that 'Ye Editor' has the farmers' viewpoint, as per the enclosed clipping (of his editorial of April 15 regarding the work of the corn borer clean-up squad). First: the people who are going to benefit by the eradication of the corn porer are everybody in the United

Editor,

Editor,

States-farmers, consumers, business men and so on. Second: the farmer was in no way to blame for the borer appearance in

Michigan Very truly yours,

James Nicol."

Hillsdale, Mich., R-5 April 24, 1927

Mich. Farm Bureau News, Lansing Michigan. Dear Sir:

As a member of the Michigan Farm Bureau I wish to criticize, in a friendly way, the attitude of your paper upon the corn borer campaign now in progress.

In your publication of April 15th ou infer that a farmer who does not fulfill the regulations as prescribed, is lazy, shiftless and liable to have corn borers nest in his hair."

dence of the more severe attitude about the new building, following which the House is evidencing re-garding the punishment of criminals. laboratory is to be made. imposed, the amount of time avail-able and I think that you will see your point of view is not altogether reasonable.

	Herbert Nafziger, 2 V. Pres	W. J. SchultzHart
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American Farm Bureau Federation

STATE FARM BUREAU'S PUBLIC SERVICE PROGRAM

LEGISLATION

Passage of the Capper-French Truth-in-Fabric bill; completion and operation of the U. S. Muscle Shoals Nitratés plant and manufacture of fertilizer; opposition to any form of sales tax or of consump-tion fax; retention of federal income tax; Passage of Gooding-Ketcham Seed Stain-ing bill.

ENACTED APR. 26,

ENACTED JAN. 2

TAXES REDUCED \$67,350 ANNUALL' SINCE 1924

EFFECTIVE SEPT

EFFECTIVE OCT.

5,	1926		ing bill.
			TAXATION
			Relief for sorely burdened farm property by enactment of:
	1925	(a)	Two cent gasoline tax for highway funds,
		(b	State Income Tax in place of State's general property levy.
		(c)	Law forbidding any more tax exempt securities.
		(a)	Equalization of assessment of farm and city property in accordance with sales values of same.
			(Farm Bureau Investigations brought equalization in Calhoun, Ingham, Wash- tenaw, Monroe and Kalamazoo counties, saving farmer taxpayers \$67,350 excess taxes annually.)
			TRANSPORTATION
*	10,		Immediate application of Michigan Zone Rate decision to save farmer ship- pers in 69 counties \$500,000 annually.
			MARKETING
			Extension of sound co-operative mar- keting program now well under way in Michigan.
22	0,	1	AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE Adequate protection for farmers against oss by fire, theft, collision, property dam- use and public liability furnished at rea- sonable rates.
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TWO GREAT RURAL ASSETS There is an old-time song which says, "Count Your Many

Blessings, One By One, And It will Surprise You What the Lord Hath Done.'

When Michigan farmers count their blessings, there are two which they should not forget. These are the splendid farm Journals published in this State, THE MICHIGAN FARMER, edited at Detroit and THE MICHIGAN BUSINESS FARMER, published at Mt. Clemens. These agricultural Journals are always fighting for the interests of Michigan farmers. They do not stop with the printing of educational articles regarding better methods for the farm and honsehold, but they aggressively take up the cudgel against any condition menacing Michigan

A MARK OF PROGRESS

No longer is the farmer a voiceless citizen who sits at home and manifests no interest in the making of the laws that govern or pertain directly to his own industry.

Today the Michigan farmer has his Farm Bureau which is ever on the alert where laws are being made. The members establish its program and the organization keeps them informed regarding what progress this program is making. The general influence of the rank and file of the membership is supplemented by the active efforts of the net work of 600 Farm Bureau Legislative Minute Men who blanket the State.

When other means fail, hearings are arranged before the legislative committees which are considering bills of special importance to Michigan farmers. Early in the session the Farm Bureau was well represented at hearings regarding highway finance measures.

More recently about 40 Minute Men left their work and came to Lansing to voice their views regarding poultry stealing and trespassing on farm property. Some of them came a hundred miles or more at their own expense. This is loyalty of high order. That their efforts were not in vain is well known to those who have been following legislative developments.

We wish that we had a complete list of all those who came to Lansing for the hearings just mentioned. They deserve the gratitude and appreciation of their fellow Farm Bureau members and of all those interested in the betterment of Michigan agriculture.

Among those who thus demonstrated their unselfish loyalty and progressive rural citizenship were: John Killick, Doster, treasurer of the Barry County Farm Bureau; Delbert Enzian, Cressy, Kalamazoo county; C. L. Bolender, Howell, Livingston County Agent; M. L. Noon, Jackson, president of the Michigan State Farm Bureau; Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Wagar, Carleton, Monroe county; S. D. McNitt, Ravenna, Muskegon county; Alvin Woodard, Bailey, Muskegon county; Milton VanFrank, Montague, secretary of the Muskegon County Farm Bureau; Carl Knopf, Muskegon County Agent; Burt Wermuth, Detroit, editor of the Michigan Farmer; Milton Grinnell, Mt. Clemens, editor of the Michigan Business Farmer; Robert J. McColgan, field service manager of that publication; the following delegation from Shiawassee county-Floyd F. Walworth, Corunna, secretary of the Shiawassee County Farm Bureau, Mrs. F. F. Walworth, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Arnold, Mrs. Arthur Bridger, Mrs. Edward

Search on Smell

Professional and business friends Liquor law violators will probably of the Kedzie family are to assemble not be especially pleased at the pas- at Union Memorial building on the sage by the House of a bill by Sen. evening of May 12 for a birthday and muster the support of 10 per cent Seth Q. Pulver of Owosso, which testimonial dinner. Judge Charles B. of the people whom you are supposed would permit of search for liquor Collingwood, of the Ingham county to represent. Can you conceive of where the only evidence is that of circuit, is to preside at this func- legislation more vicious than to ausmell. This bill provoked a great deal tion and will call on some of the of discussion and debate and on fi- old alumni for brief talks as the nal passage had but two more than most significant part of the prothe necessary 51 votes. gram.

In an effort to curb reckless and irresponsible driving of automobiles, the Senate approved a bill by Sen. Howard F. Baxter of Grand Rapds, which would permit the revocation of drivers' licenses in certain automobile accident eases. It specifies that an automobile driver who is unable to pay a judgment renderof '86.

ed against him in a suit resulting from an accident, should be deprived cities, East Lansing and Lansing, are of his license until such damages were satisfied. The bill was passed ing at the Union Memorial building am by a vote of 20 to 5. Several memfor lnncheon. On this occasion a litbers opposed it on the grounds that tle of the military spirit of the colt might indirectly provide for compulsory automobile insurance. lege life will be injected into the

(Continued from page one) kind in which the members are or warehouses, elevators, creameries or mills; canning, preserving, pickling, evaporating, dehydrating or otherwise converting or manufacturing. farm fruits, grains, vegetables or any other kind of farm products whatsotising the products of members; renting, buying, building, owning, selling and controlling such buildings, equipment and other real and personal property as may be deemed necessary in the conduct of the afsing is to put on a dinner in the evening, at the College, just before the fairs of this Association. military demonstration, and the

read as follows: The number of directors or trus

o'clock. tees shall be eleven. Inasmuch as there will be some The sweet clover plant is hardy 250 co-op. managers and members of but that does not mean it needs no their boards of directors at the meetcare or management. This crop is ing, May 4, it is the aim to get as used in a number of different ways many Farm Bureau members as posand its proper management is, theresible out in order to round out as fore, dependent very largely upon real, all-'round pep meeting that the use made of it. will do the most good for the organ-

ization. Come and bring a neighbor as well as your wife. On May 5, the hoard of directors of

ief are visible along the highways where farming families have gone the state organization is to meet for into the gasoline, oll and refreshthe regular bi-monthly business ses- ment business .-- South Bend Tribsion. me.

The vacuum cleaner is being used The Texas Longhorn steer has beto groom horses in stables of Nortained one as a curiosity. way and Sweden.

"All right, gang, let's go! Clean up and charge it to the farm." There is serious doubt whether you could thorize a gang to enter a man's premises and create expense to one third or half the value of the property, in one year, and turn it over to the tax department to collect?

For the observance of Anniversary If the Farm Bureau wishes to ren-Day on the seventieth birthday of the der the farmer a real service, they will ascertain what rights the gang The day's activities are to begin have, not what they might be wilwith convocation in the College gymling to concede, also the rights of nasium at 10 o'clock in the morning, the farmer, if any, work for reasonled by Joseph B. Cotton, of the class able regulations and leave the big scare idea for those whose interests

All the luncheon clubs of the two are not with the farmer. Thanking you for any considerato join in celebration at noon, meet- tion you may see fit to give this, I

> Respectfully yours, Floyd Galloway.

scene. Col. T. L. Sherburne, college Watch Feeder Hogs For Cholera Spread

gathering and it is the plan to introduce several of the nation's "military The danger of losses from hog big boys" at this time, although the cholera is greater in the hogs pur-Chinese situation may prevent carry- chased from local dealers and at pubmay be interested; operating storage ing out some of these plans since lic sales. The feed lots, stock pens the war department is keeping pret- and yards through which these hogs ty close check on the leaders of the are handled locally, are usually inmilitary department of the country, a fected and a large portion of the anisituation which may prevent them mals handled there have not been

immunized against hog cholera. The possibility of hogs contracting the disease at these points must not be overlooked.

All buyers of feeder hogs bringing such animals on their premises should have absolute knowledge, no matter from what source they purchase, that the hogs have been treated against cholera. In the absence of proof that they have been so treated, hogs bought locally should be given the preventative serum treatment as soon as they reach destination. Under no circumstances should the newy purchased hogs be placed with the original herd on the farm. They should be kept separate for at least 21 days, regardless of the origin of

shipment Following the severe outbreak of hog cholera in the fall of 1926, there were moved from officially supervised stockyards to farms, for restock-Some practical forms of farm re- ing purposes, 400,355 hogs in six months. Some losses have been experienced by farmers in the purchase of stocker hogs. In animals shipped from such stockyards the losses from various swine diseases have ranged from 3 to 7 per cent. Hogs purchased at stockyards where Federal inspeccome so rare that a Texas zoo has oh- tion is maintained, are treated against hog cholera before shipping

Hundreds Attend Bureau Meeting

from coming here. In the day's program of events, ever, securing better results in grad- Col. Sherburne aims to execute a ing, packing, marketing and adver- dress parade of cadets and to stage an impressive military demonstration in the evening, following services in dedication of the college's new armory.

SECOND, To amend Article V to

APRIL 29, 1927

With the County Agents

The winter season of the Boys'| The fourth of the young apple and Girls' club work in Cass county practically terminated when final achievement days were held under the supervision of P. G. Lundin and ago in an effort to teach growers in

Miss Harriet Wilder, assistant state club leaders. Of the girls who enrolled last fall 85 per cent fully met the require-ments and were awarded certificates struction. It is to be regreted that of achievement. The handicraft boys the opportunity has been somewhat

did not do quite as well. For the success of this movement major credit should go to the public spirited men and women who have

unselfishly given of their time and thought serving in the capacity of local club leaders. Those who have acted in this capacity are Miss Mary will have ideal conditions for alfalfa acted in this capacity are Miss Mary claspy, Miss Ione Moore, Miss Ethel Churchill, Mrs. Erma Shafer, Mrs. Grace Pitschner and Jay Swank, of Dowagiac; Mrs. Pearl Dibble, Niles; Miss Neva Whited, Cassopolis; S. C. Norton, Jones; Rev. E. Vaughen, Hartford. —"I have always been well pleased our thinking farmer members in ev-ery portion of the state and in their behalf we are urgently requesting you to give the Town and Goodwine bills your best support, and defeat any measures that increase the gas in oculation should get their orders

Hartford. Local club champions picked by Mr. Lundin and Miss Wilder are as follows: Glenwood, first year, Ethel Marrs, second year, Mary Jane Boyce; Dewey, Nina Moore; Red Will Alice Ward, Indian Lake Brith

Alice Ward; Indian Lake, Ruth Burkett; Peavine, Margaret Feather; Dibble, Carol Bolton; Red Mill Hand-icraft, Bernhardt Schmidt; Poe Handicraft, Norris Simmons. A county achievement day at which the county champions will be chosen has been arranged for Satur-day, May 7.

In Kent County

The blasting demonstration which missed fire at Dewey Truax's in Al-goma township will be held Saturday afternoon May 7, at 1:30 o'clock. There will be no miss this time, rain or shine. The ditch blowing demon-stration on the Grover Baumhoff farm in Alpine went fine as did the stump and stone demonstration on the east side of Vergennes township. Plans are under way for more of hese demonstrations. Let the County Agent know where stump and stone blasting demonstrations are wanted. This will be the last year that war surplus explosives will be used.

Four farm homes and schools are being "dolled up" through landscap-ing demonstrations put on by the landscaping department of Michigan State College. These demonstrations are put on to show what can be done

The Sparta Shippers Association broke another record recently when 118 calves were shipped to Detroit.

In Van Buren County The greatest factor in the failure of alfalfa and sweet clover in Van Buren County at the present time is Buren County at the present time is

properly inoculated is a soil builder. among those in the affirmative col-

"Apple scab is developing unusu-

"After the most careful consideration, these representative farmer delegates from fifty of the leading agri cultural counties of the state, unani mously went on record as being vigorously opposed to any increase in

timent was particularly strong for doing away with the present weight tax on passenger cars and for per the universal desire of the farmers sponse in wool pooling this spring

of the state for a material reduc-tion in the weight tax on light questing sacks for this year's wool \$150,000 trucks. and many of them have containe "The Town gas tax and Goodwine very favorable comment on the reweight tax bills are the type of high- sult of the pool last year.

way legislation the farmer wants and we hope his desires as expressed some of the letters received are samthrough the Farm Bureau, will not ples-"Well pleased. Got 7 to 10

"If constructive highway legislation for the best interests of all the tract blanks. I have some neighbors

people of the state cannot be en- who want to pool. acted at this session, the organized There has been considerable publifarmers of the state would much same line and in answer to hundreds "Appreciating very much your fa- is this splendid spirit that makes co vorable consideration of the views operative effort possible. This look of the Michigan State Farm Bureau, Dept. of the Michigan State College, brought the following information:

we are Yours very truly, C. L. Brody, reau Wool Pool will surely win out

tions, on corn stalks grown on more than 50 selected plots, whose fertility Secretary-Manager. About as soon as this message had to what a great extent they them requirements, as measured by crop yields, are known. The plots repretime to "soak in," letters of approval of this stand were received at sent six of the more important soil types on which corn is grown in the state. The results obtained on any given group of representative stalks Farm Bureau headquarters. Among them was one from Theodore Ben- selves, one of the finest obtainable gel, of Fowler, and one from W. D. selected under conditions as uniform Burhans, of Harbor Beach. as the eye could detect, were in dis-couraging numbers highly variable and therefore, impossible to inter-gard to the three cent gas tax. Mr. Bengel said, "Am very much pleased at your stand taken in reand therefore, impossible to inter-pret, frequently conflicting and often misleading and unreliable. Farmers of the State are advised against the use of the method as a guide in choosing fertilizers of the corn crop." gard to the three cent gas tax. "Have read with much satisfac-tion, article in the Detroit News tell-ing about 'Statewide Drive,' in op-position to the Leland bill. Fight this bill to a finish. We do

Fight this bill to a finish. We do by the Ohio Wool pool as a means of not want another six million dollars improving the pool in the future. **Bureau Helps Defeat** put on the people without some re-Three Cent Gas Tax lief on weight taxes."

Mr. Burhans said, "I have written The use of other twines is bound to are buying the shrubs and assisting in the work in the work is the area buying the shrubs and assisting in the work is the area buying the shrubs and assisting in the work is the area buying the shrubs and assisting in the shrubs and assisting in the work is the area buying the shrubs and assisting in the work is the area buying the shrubs and assisting in the work is the shrub to the shrub t CREASES ARE MADE IN THE Hon. Gus Braun, enclosing a peti- injure the saleableness of the fleece

warded by the Minute Men to the get just Farm Bureau members. In wool when handling it. This also fact, it is not a strictly farmers' pe- saves time in handling later on and tition as I found it just as easy to get makes the wool more convenient to When the Leland 3 cent gas tax signers in the corporation as among handle. Reducing the grade of wool, like

bill came up for final passage in the those living outside. They were eager Ninety-eight farmers contributed to the four car loads. Stock came from Howard City and Harvard for this shipment. Checks went to 13 dif-all of them had been defeated, the the four car loads. Stock came from House. Wednesday, it was subjected to a barrage of amendments. After the four car loads. Stock came from to a barrage of amendments. After the four car loads. Stock came from to a barrage of amendments. After the four car loads. Stock came from to a barrage of amendments. After the four car loads. Stock came from to a barrage of amendments. After the four car loads. Stock came from to a barrage of amendments. After timent: only one person refused to lower prices and a curtailed demand means lower prices. The work of the pool. ferent post offices. Next shipping bill itself mustered but 38 support-date is April 26th. bill iself mustered but 38 support-ers, while 50 Representatives voiced there; he owned only a heavy truck other than the actual dealing out of ers, while 50 Representatives voiced there; he owned only a heavy truck, other than the actual dealing out of

their disapproval of it. Fifty-one af-"Senator O'Connell made a hit last the wool to the mills, is to build up firmative votes are necessary to pass fall with his canvass card: 'One the standards of grade so that the plate for life of car,' Seemed to be demand will be the best. Wool grow-

Many Amendments Offered

Representatives

"The writers have made more than 2,000 nitrate and iron determina-

An analysis of the vote shows that remembered by many and is popular, ers are asked to do their part in imthe fact that too many people are sowing their seed too soon after put-ting on their lime. How farm Representatives who with the Town and Goodwine bills

Another hint is that any legume aninoculated is a soil robber, while if

umn. A majority of the Wayne mem-bers opposed the bill, while it really early this year. Scab spores are ceived the solid support of the Keut

MICHIGAN FARM BUREAU NEWS

WOOL HANDLING IS A PARTICULAR JOB

the gas tax without a corresponding Farmers Can Do Much Toward Improving Fleeces When

Shearing

The following sentences from

cents more than if I had sold here.

-"Please send me three or four con

There were many others along the

like a good year to pool and with

the present members sticking and

poosting to get others, our Farm Bu

Many wool growers do not realiz:

selves determine the grade of wool

establishing a better grade for them

booklets on the care of sheep and

proper handling of fleeces is being

sent out to each of them as their

contracts are received. This is not an

advertising proposition, but simple

instruction and plain advice from

men who have studied sheep hand

ling and wool handling and the book

et is well illustrated. It is put out

Among the things stressed in this

booklet is the use of paper twine.

proving their own market by careful

Kill ants in the garden with carbon bisulphide. Thrust a stick into the 'middle of the hill. Pour in a

spoonful of bisulphide and cover the

handling of fleeces.

To assist the farmers who pool i

There has been a splendid re

Lost On Livestock

> That was the total amount of losses to livestock shippers last year in Michigan because too little care was exercised in handling and loading the animals for shipment.

Be prepared for the spring hot spells. Be extra careful not to run the animals or drive them far when loading.

Be sure tha the co-ops get all your livestock this year.

Michigan Livestock Exchange Detroit, Mich.

Producers Co-Op Com. Ass'n East Buffalo, N. Y.



for wool that is-properly grad-ed and free from chaff and dirt. The safest way to handle wool after shearing is to sack

Wool that is pooled is sold on grade and brings the top

Your application for pooling will bring you sacks for your fleeces. Write without delay and help strengthen the farm-ers' market by pooling your wool with the

WOOL DEPARTMENT **Michigan State Farm** Bureau

LANSING MICHIGAN







usly for one or more years. These dairymen tell us that they have cured the followng results by the use f Milkmaker, viz:

1. Cows have kept up in better flesh and better physical condition 2. Cows have maintained a larger

and more even flow of milk.

Calves better developed and stronger at birth. Freedom from trouble with cows at calving time; no retained after-

birth and no udder trouble. The strongest advocates of course are those dairymen who have used Milkmaker continuously since it came on the market in 1922.

BUYING A BETTER HERD

These men have realized that in buying and using Milkmaker they are assuring themselves of a better herd of cows two or three years hence.

In buying a bag of dairy feed you do not buy the feed for the feed itself, but for the ultimate results obtained. The results to be obtained are not necessarily determined by the price of the feed. The real value of the feeds is determined by the per cent of digestible protein and digestible nutrients, both of which determine results.

A common phrase among users of Milkmaker is "More milk with more ow left at the end of the year.'

Ask for booklet on "How to Feed for Economical Milk Production."

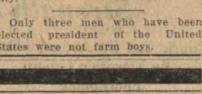
Michigan Farm Bureau Supply Service Lansing, Michigan

FOR SALE BY **Co-op Associations and Farm Bureau** Distributors





'It Never Sweats



"It is now pretty generally recog-

nized that the rural problems will

ot be solved without the aid of the

The next prolonged rainy period will delegation probably produce a heavy infection of scab in unsprayed apple orchards over the southern part of the state. The pre-pink spray should by all means be applied this season. This spray will prevent the early infec-tion which leads to one sided apples, Control of the early infection also helps indirectly in handling the later

This coming year under the Ex-tension program the matter of young chick raising will be handled through that they are compelled to pay on their light trucks. This has not been the training leader classes, it being their light trucks. This has not been very evident that this is a better done and this tax only adds additionmethod of teaching.

A recent survey by the Horticul-ural Department of the Michigan State College discloses the fact that taken by Rep. Otis Huff of Marcel-

20,000 Farmers HAVE SET UP A COM-PLETE TRAFFIC SERVICE FOR ALL THE FARMERS OF MICHIGAN TO USE.

This is a real service. If you are a farmer, make use of it. No charge for auditing freight bills.

Your membership in the Farm Bureau will help make more and greater ser-vices possible.

Mich. Farm Bureau Traffic Dept. LANSING, MICH.

Several Representatives who ophelps indirectly in handling the later stages of the scab disease." support a three cent gas tax provid-

ing there was some concession made al burden to what they already have to pay. I therefore voted 'no.'

"No" Votes Explained A somewhat similar position was growth ratio.

foot remedies 54; smelling salts 68; sponges 76; tooth brushes 100; lip pencils 231; rouge 847; soaps 452; combs 526; cold creams 600; toilet waters 742; perfumes 1200; face powders 1300. That is also bad. However, they have been doing some things. Paving brick has been reduced from 66 varieties to 6; ready to wear blue serge suits reduced from 1000 varieties to 24; shoes from three grades of 2500 styles each, to one grade with 100 styles. So all along the line the matter of

manent licenses for passenger cars surance company of Bloomington, and a material reduction in the an- Ill., which experienced a 95.2 per nual weight tax on light trucks. cent increase in 1926. These are all These companion bills would increase farmer-owned policies and the fact the return to the counties from \$6,- that each policy remains in force 000,000 to \$8,500,000, take care of during the entire life of the car, so the deficit in the Highway Depart long as the owner pays the loss prement, finance the excess contracts miums regularly, is sure to reflect in let last fall and would provide for the future of the whole automobile the payment during 1928 of all the insurance business in the state, delinquent highway awards due the whether old line, mutuals or whatvarious counties, amounting to about ever type of concern may be writing \$4.000.000 policies covering automobile loss pro-

The following letter to legislators. tection. Farm Bureau Minute Men and other influential persons of the state, sent

into action in the legislature.

gas tax bill by the Senate, leaving the farmers' interest and view-point out

our duty to again convey to you the troubles. views of the Michigan State Farm Bureau as expressed by Farm Bureau

when she marries.

More Auto Insurance

(Continued from page 1) juries to some victim of the accident in which his automobile has figured. The business growth of two of the leading and old established automobile insurance companies operating in the state, the Citizens Mutual and the Auto Owners, as reported in a recent number of the National Underwriter, is shown to be 11.6 per cent and 11.7 per cent, respectively,

for last year. On a total of \$31,000,000 of business last year, all the co-operatives or mutual automobile insurance companies figured an average gain of 17.8 per cent which, in itself, is gen-

erally considered a very healthy

The stock casualty companies inthere are at least 129 different varie-ties of apples in Michigan orchards. This is too bad, but there are others. A start of the proposed to a raise in 1926, which figures at about 11.7 This is too bad, but there are others. creased their total business from A recent check up by the U. S. De-partment of Commerce in one large a gallon instead of two but here cents on verifing automobile increase. Fire companies department of commerce in one large department store showed the follow-ing kinds or varieties of manufac-I am opposed to any increase in the creased their aggregate auto insurtured articles: Hot water bottles 27; gas tax without a decrease in the ance business from more than \$94. oot remedies 54; smelling salts 68; weight tax. I am not certain but 000,000 in premiums collected to

So all along the line the matter of standardization is a problem in in-dustry as well as in agriculture. ed that the Town bill would increase the gas tax to 4 cents a gallon while the Goodwine bill provides for per-was the State Farm Mutual Auto In-

Faded writing can be restored if out by the State Farm Bureau, stir- brushed over with a feather or camred the highway financing program el hair brush dipped in tincture of nutgalls. This will bring out the

"In view of the passage of the 3c writing quite clear again. When a man is in love it is awfulof the picture altogether, we feel it ly hard to interest him in your

Wealth may be a great care, but : delegates at the recent annual meet- girl naturally expects great care



Farm Bureau Brand

Ensilage Corn gives the maximum yield of forage and grain. All stocks are artificially dried and germinate better than 90 per cent. Farm Bureau Yellow Ensilage and Farm Bureau Red Cob.

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MICHIGAN FARM BUREAU SEED SERVICE MICHIGAN LANSING,



sands of farmers to get more from their land. Solvay is produced in only one grade—there is no second best-every bag, every bulk ton is ground to the same fineness. No effort is spared to make Solvay of greatest benefit to the farmer.

Solvay produces results the first year-and its good effects accumulate from year to year. Spread Solvay this year-it's high test, furnace dried, safe-will not burn.

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You don't want your automobile insurance premiums based on city driving risks any more than you would have your farm taxes based on property values in the city.

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> THIS IS A LEGAL RESERVE MUTUAL INSURANCE COM-PANY. NO SPECIAL ASSESS-MENTS CAN BE LEVIED, YOU PAY YOUR PREMIUM ONCE EV. ERY SIX MONTHS AND DO NOT HAVE TO RENEW YOUR POLI-CY EVERY YEAR.

State Farm Mutual Auto Ins. Co. Michigan Agency FARM BUREAU HEADQUARTERS Michigan Lansing.

FOUR

STATE DEPT. GIVES TIPS ON 1927 CROP, **PROBABLE ACREAGE**

Some Plantings To Show A Decrease And Others An Increase

10 YEAR AVERAGE HOLDS

More Consideration Should Be Given To Acreage **Reports Show**

ilk can be kept clean and sweet nd free from odors is furnished by who shipped a sample of his milk from his farm in Illinois to Paris France, in 1900 where it won the

Cool Milk Quickly

Paris Exposition. Here is Mr. Gur ecent issue of Hoard's Dairyman. he Dairy Division of the U.S. De-

In order that each farmer may have a hint as to what is in the of August seemed impossible to me. Atlantic coast, also to the Pacific the crops they will plant, the usual inquiry relative to planting inten-

tions has just been made. The result indicate no radical changes are contemplated. While Michigan farmers had planned an increased acreage of faith in my work as my friends had. wheat and rye last fall, the unfavorable weather at seeding time prevented this being done. In fact, there was a decrease of nine per cent in wheat and five per cent in rye plantbottled, ready to ship. ings as compared with the previous fall. This leaves an increased acre

age for spring crops and indications are that a larger area of all crops except beans and corn will be planted this year in Michigan.

In the acreage devoted to corn, indications point to a small decrease in portions of Michigan, especially the sections affected by the corn bor-

The outlook is for more oats and barley, an increase of two per cent in the former and 20 per cent in the latter for Michigan being reported.

Prospects are favorable for an increase of nearly one per cent in the acreage of hay for Michigan.

Increase Potato Acres

For the country as a whole, an inage was reported. This increased acreage with an average yield would mean a crop of eleven and one half million bushels more than were produced last year. Last year's yield was 11 per cent above the ten-year tentions to plant an increase of 16 per cent. If these intentions are fulfilled and the yield proves to be up to the average or above throughout the country, lower prices will undoubtedly prevail next fall.

No inquiry relative to beans was made for the country as a whole, but the question concerning intended acreage was included in the Michigan schedule sent to growers. The replies indicated that, because of the severe losses during the last two seasons, bean raisers were inclined to reduce the acreage by 20 per cent in comparison with last year. If this is done, the area planted will still be greater than that actually harvested New Plow Is Manufactured last fall and with a yield equal to the ten-year average, Michigan's production would still be greater than last year's and 25 per erage. In view of these figures, the prospective reduction seems amply justified.

An outstanding example of how B. Gurler, of DeKalb, Illinois, Much Can Be Accomplished ease than we did a neighborhood gold medal which was offered by the

To Keep It Longer

er's own story as it appeared in a "In 1900, Major Alvord, Chief of they were to make a display of dairy ings, etc?' products at the Paris Exposition. He

raw milk 4,000 miles in the month bear the responsibility.

'It took me some days to work up nerve enough to undertake this job. but I did finally reach the conclusion that I should have as much

In my thinking I hatched an idea and went to the farm to put the idea

There was no special preparaion nor selection, as we took the first bottles we came to. We put is, these bottles into a combination of be the smallest unit and if not how

down near the freezing point as soon as possible. Then we packed them in fce and started them by express to New York. This milk was seventeen It was 21 days old. It kept sweet a

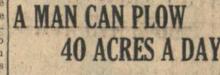
day longer, after reaching Paris, than did the milk produced in the in quicker dispatch if each township vicinity.

been doctored, and had it analyzed before being convinced. They called ever occasion demands to decide on forts and it is one of our first duties it a Yankee trick.'

member to keep it clean and cold. The rules for producing milk and cream of the best quality are sim- information to the county office or farmer prospers and is contented to ple and easy to follow. All the milk average. Michigan farmers report in- sible to have them. All dust, dirt, and other particles should be kept out of milk.

Milk should be cooled to a temcooled as soon as it is separated.

produced, if the rules are followed.



This Year For The First Time

MICHIGAN FARM BUREAU NEWS

Co-operation Needed

to become members who should be

Strong Local Units Lend Strength to Organization

By Township Group Functioning

By MRS. EDITH M. WAGAR

I'm asked time and again "What more time and effort than by workto you expect us to do in our town- ing through the smaller range plan. ship, do you want us to have a townpartment of Agriculture, wrote me ship organization with regular meet-

requested me to ship some milk for to answer for it all depends on the set, and that is the deep study of the should be provided where the chicks the government exhibit. This request locality, the need, the membership farmers' cause at that particular can go to get warm and they should staggered me. The idea of shipping and the desire of those expecting to time. It may be something that needs be required to eat and exercise in a

assistance or needs pushing or needs cool room, outside in the sun, or in We need to be knitted together correction, that the national or state a part of the house removed from minds of other farmers regarding I had sent milk for babies to the just a bit closer and need to add to offices have been struggling with and the hover where the temperature

our mother body all the loose frag- you can do something to create sen- does not exceed 65 to 70 degrees. nents that we find scattered about timent for or against it. us until the agricultural people and Isn't there something within your agricultural cause are so firm and so county that you can support? The looked up to that we can be granted program within any county is end-

recognition and protection and en- less if we would but work it out: an ouragement. efficient highway system for the cross We all know it is necessary to have roads; the school system; extension into effect. I took the milk from a national and a state organization. work for the entire family; rural

the bottling table after it had been That part is never questioned and is electrification; rural telephone sernot expected to lag in efficiency or vice; bus transportation; cow-testing influence. associations; county libraries; legis-The question that seems to bother lative work and countless other ac-"Should the County Farm Bureau tivities if we but look for them.

chipped ice and salt and cooled them should the township unit function?' One of the biggest missions is to County Board Lowest Unit create a co-operative sentiment be-

It seems to be the general opinion tween those within our organization tion of devices already in use elseust now, at least, that the lowest and those on the outside. We can where. The amount of time or labor days in transit and kept sweet until governing power within a county not get anywhere if we antagonize saved over a year will also be conshould be the county board but that others but we can do heaps if we get sidered in scoring the efforts of the much of the work could be cared for others to work with us. Every county has numbers of

ould have an active committee of people not members or even eligible "The judges believed my milk had strong Farm Bureau members, This committee should meet when- sympathetic with our desires and ef-

surveys to be made within its juris- to aim to make them friends of the in June. It is a comparatively easy matter diction on any number of different Farm Bureau. Some of our firmest to get milk to market anywhere in projects that might be of benefit or friends are members of chambers of crease of 15 per cent in potato acre- Michigan; in a sweet condition. Re- again detrimental to the best inter- commerce, ministers, professors, pubests of that particular part of the lic officials, club members and busicounty. This committee should give ness men. They know that when the

> utensils must be clean. The milker much more accurate and with a for all. to the state office which would be a greater degree the world smiles

> great saving of time and effort over At these county meetings, I'd sing the county wide system. This com- songs familiar to all, I'd practice mittee if alert to its responsibilities America the Beautiful and Michigan could keep in touch with the changes My Michigan, until everyone could perature of less than 50 degrees as that are ever within a neighborhood, sing them at any place with or withsoon as possible after it is drawn It would know if a member sells out out music. I'd let the jazz go by; from the cow. Cream should be or dies or has had misfortune visit I'd even forget the solo and instruhim; who the family is that takes mental effort, not that they are not There is no necessity of having the place of one gone, they would fine but because the effort is made milk sour in 24 hours after it is know if the new family is interested by only the few and not by all. We in any of our many projects-in fact must all do our bit to make anything this committee if it wanted to see worthwhile live.

their organization push ahead and do I am certain if such county gatherits very hest so that no time or ef- ings were held in every county every 40 ACRES A DAY fort is lost could make itself the most once in awhile at different points in the county and every township within the county had a committee of men ganization

Local Meetings Profitable

and women in close touch with the When it comes to meetings of the membership—it all depends upon circumstances. If there is need of community social work in any sec-tion, there is no better way to pro-When it comes to meetings of the county office that this Farm Bureau

Brooding The Chicks

The building used for artificial rooding of chicks should be portable nd placed on ground where chicks

three previous seasons. The house gathering not so many years back. should be thoroughly cleaned, swept. We come to know and understand scrubbed with soap and water, and county needs and county opportuni- flooded with a good disinfectant. In ties when we meet in a county wide setting. up the brooder stove, the chimney should be cleaned and reway. It broadens our vision and placed with new pipe if necessary, scope of work and saves so much damper placed in the pipe and the emperature regulated so that a uniform temperature of from 85 to 95 Committees To Do Detail degrees is maintained at a distance The greater part of the work of

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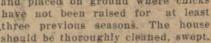
ing.



It will soon be the season for gape

worms, and all yards not sown to

APRIL 29, 1927



The serious losses through unfa- when you see a disc plow plowing a ty club made up of the Farm Buvorable weather during the last two strip as wide as an ordinary disc har- reau families of a township. But if seasons are inducing more farmers row will cover, and turning over 20 there is community work going on in to turn to sugar beets and canning crops grown under contract in order that you are looking at something in and weaken or destroy the work more and more efficient in the prin-

New Law Will Help

file for the assistance of police officers. The second bill relating to poultry

stealing was introduced by Rep. Otis

from two to five years in prison.

The House struck out this minimum

sentence, leaving the penalty not

At the request of those who testi-

The new plow, being manufactured by several disc plow manufacturers this year for the first time, is known Curb Poultry Theft as the "one-way" disc plow and closev resembles a disc harrow with the discs all set in the same direction and

riding on wheels similar to those used by the ordinary disc plow. These and were lifeless and every one said an achievement that requires close new plows are made in 6, 8 and 10- or thought, "Was it worth the ef- application of approved methods of Huff of Marcellus. It specifies the foot widths, will plow at any desired fort of going?" Huff of Marcellus. It specifies the foot whichs, will plot at any concerning that to 6 inches penalties for various degrees of poul-try stealing. As originally introduced, and are being extensively used be so many ways to spend time and though it consisted of 17 pigs, they throughout the winter wheat region. so many demands on one's time

and the wheels are designed to take activity in. We have Aid Societies tal weight of 5,117 pounds. care of the back pressure of the discs. (and they seem as necessary to a Michigan finished with 23 litters The farmers on the level plains of rural church as the minister himself), over the ton mark out of 54 litters Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Colorado we have the Grange which has been entered during the year. The litters more than five years. This rendered and Nebraska have been alert in the with us for over a half century and averaged 2,424 pounds in weight and the bill practically meaningless, in use of the most improved power has been a community blessing when-that no matter how brief the sen-farming machines. First came the ever allowed to function as it should with no records kept of feeding. The that no matter now orier the set intering intering intering and now and the farmers' clubs and in later feeders of this state were among the one-way disc plow. This plow years the parent teachers association, those from five of the 29 states in the cuts, turns and mixes the field level for besides fraternal, organizations and the ton litter contest who did not make feeding reports. Forty four per fied at the hearings arranged by the the soil and leaves the field level for

A disc plow is nothing new and a vide it, and at the same time

Farm Bureau, the Senate committee the combine, but still rough enough as but by no means least, extension make feeding reports. Forty-four per cent of the litters in Michigan were clubs all over the state. class of poultry stealing, the mini- and prevent the soil from blowing. mum sentence should be one year Under most conditions once over the

in prison. The maximum was left at field with the plow leaves it ready for drilling grain without further prepa-Taken together, the Hall and Huff ration of the seed bed. bills should go far toward discourag Work of Kansas Farmer ing poultry stealing in Michigan and

The plow was developed by a Kan- co-ops in the locality or the car door sas farmer because of the profitable man can look after the commercial checking the depredations of midnight marauders who, during recent result obtained, by plowing as soon efforts. years have brought so much loss and as rapidly after harvest as possi-

disappointment and discouragement ble, with conservation of moisture as render valuable service in keeping the objective. In many cases it has the membership in touch with these

been known to increase the yield as services. The minute men scattered much as 40 per cent the following over every county can respond to

to fill a need for a machine that mittee when petitions are needed or would enable the farmer to speed up local expression of sentiment desired. But it seems best for the county boards to plan on getting the members together several times a year in order that they may keep alive the the harvest period by half, plowing fact that they do belong to the Farm Bureau and are needed when it. omes time to plan for benefits or leasures within the county.

These county meetings should be cattered throughout the county so Nope, No Pests City Feller—"Are your crops boththat every member can have a hance to attend or act as host. Since Farmer-"Nope, this place ain't the auto has become a real part of the farm equipment and every farm

is within a limited distance from an "American women aren't nearly as the United States equipped with ra-tend a county function with greater i There are now 1,252,126 farms ia

to 40 acres acres per day, you know other forms it seems unwise to butt As to regular meetings-I like the by the increasing number of "ton

advice Mr. Lucius Wilson gives us litters" produced each successive when he says "When you call a year. To raise from one sow a litter meeting, have some purpose for it." of pigs made to weigh a ton or more Haven't you been to so-called reg- when 180 days old is considered a ular meetings when things dragged practical goal for swine growers and

management. this bill would have provided that throughout the which heat treated that one could hardly wedge another made an average weight of 301 pounds at six months of age, or a to-

> pure bred stock. The township committee can assist in planning any county meeting or

district meeting that may be needed within the territory and still not need a township organization. The

Forest, Alaska, for which bids were opened on April 15, has been award-

Potato-raising must gradually take the place of spaghetti and macaroni Here, again, the committee could manufactured from imported wheat. -Mussolini



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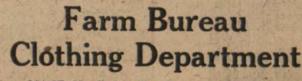
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ered much by pests?'

near a paved road."

rapidly to a more diversified form o agriculture, and following up-to-date methods generally. Exact knowledge as to the defects of the older system, gained from farm accounts, is credit ed with being one of the principal causes of this favorable change.

bad as they are painted.'

