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DESIRE TO INITIATE UNDERTAKINGS IS SHOWN BY COUNTIES

STATE GIVES OUT

ISSUED SEMI-MONTHLY

Mich. Potato Growers Exchange Ends a Very Satisfactory Year

CONFIDENCE IN THE LEADERSHIP IS EXPRESSED IN THE ANNUAL VOTE OF JELEGATES, RE-ELECTING OFFICERS

Volume Of Sales Given Considerable Increase Through Consistent Advertising And In Strengthening The Position Of The Organization's Field Workers

Old Chief Petoskey went out and dragged in the business last year as never before, it was seen in the annual report of F. P. Hibst, general manager of the Michigan Potato Growers' Exchange, given at the ninth annual meeting of the Exchange at Cadillac, August 17.

Advertising the Chief Petoskey potato, the brand that has been adopted by the organization as "its potato," has done FORMER CONSERVATION much toward building up buyer confidence, the manager's report indicated.

Three Hundred at Banquet More than 300 farmers took part In the annual meeting and the banquet held in conjunction.

Mr. Hibst reported that a gain of the equivalent of 205 cars of potatoes shipped was made by the Exchange over the record of the year previous. Much of this gain was made by having a field representative out out to introduce the product direct to the buyer. In Ohio, alone, the report showed, 30 more buyers, in nine more cities than the Exchange had done business with in former years, were added during the 1926-27 season and a total of 265 more cars of SEED TRADE BACKS MOVE potatoes were shipped into that state as a result, making a total of 1104 Puts Government Stamp Of

The year's total of business was 114,204,650 pounds of potatoes ship-

One of the features of the year's business was elimination of certain long hauls to market, in spite of lowritories was found to result very sat- cultural economics. isfactorily, especially with the earlier

shipments.

VERIFYING ORIGIN OF FIELD SEEDS IS LATEST GOVT. MOVE

In Providing Farmers

Dependable Seed

Approval On All Seed Up To Standard

The inauguration of a Seed Veri- rudiments of fire fighting. fication Service, effective September The elimination of shipping risks by tity of field seeds in commerce, is an- hazard, it is pointed out that a very confining business to the closer ter- nounced by the U.S. Bureau of agri- large percentage of these fires in the

ANCIENT APPLE ORCHARD STILL'BEARING GOOD FRUIT

Manzano, N. H., Sept. 2-An ancient apple orchard, variously estimated to be from 250 to 400 years old, is still proving dessert for the small boys and girls of this village, as it did centuries ago. The apples are above the size of a plum. The old orchard was planted in the days of Spanish exploration by early clerics. On Sundays,

when the people of the village are observing the day of rest, they find shade and fruit under the old trees and the orchard has become the resting place of the village. A miniature park has grown around the trees.

BOARD MEMBER WOULD EXTEND FIRE SYSTEM

A material extension of forest fire reduction in the losses caused year on highways. after year by the burning over of large areas of timber lands has been that there will be no limit to the proposed by Herman Lundeen, for- lawful speed of an automobile on the

commission. He recommands that Follows Work of Farm Bureau idepartment be enlisted to cooperate a very rigid regulation on speed. The fall, if weather conditions permit, acwith the fire warden organization of law says that an automobile shall be cording to survey made by Herbert mitting the railroad companies to extinguishing them, if possible, Under the plan suggested by Mr. regard to the traffic, surface and

way department employe engaged in in the assured clear distance ahead.

maintenance of roads be taught the In connection with the proposed

Buyers of alfalfa, red clover and origin in neglected camp fires, or in cars going in the same direction. If fall.

New Code Becomes Effective Sept. 5 and Provides Several Changes

NEW TRAFFIC LAWS

BRIEF SUMMARY OF

WILL CHECK ON SPEEDERS farmers surrounding this community and the idea was put across by the efforts of the Lake Odessa Commer-

High Spots In The New Law Given Herewith Are Worthy of Study

lage chemical and pumper truck out A digest of the new traffic law of town in response to any call of passed by the 1927 legislature which distress, which has been done several goes into effect Sept. 5, has been pre- times of late, saving much property pared by Oscar G. Olander, commis-It is understood that to thos sioner of the state department of farmers who did not see fit to join public safety. The digest gives a in the purchase of the community summary of the important regula. fire truck, a charge of approximately \$100 will be made for each run. This tions which have been changed. The summary of restrictions fol- money will be used as a maintenance lows:

fund for the upkeep of the truck and supplies.

Odessa.

\$25

LAKE ODESSA GETS

RURAL FIRE TRUCK

A new rural community fire truck

nounted on a six-cylinder chassis and composed of four 35-gallon soda

acid chemical tanks, with two sets

tools, has been delivered at Lake

This truck was purchased by the

cial club. Each farmer subscribed

firemen the power to take the vil-

The village council has voted the

"A new traffic law, designed to conform to the code agreed upon by **MICHIGAN FARMERS** the Hoover Safety conference, was bassed by the 1927 legislature. There

Speed

are some marked changes between this law and the present law. Most noticeable of these changes are those control in the state and a consequent governing the speed of automobiles

"Many people have the impression mer member of the state conservation highway except the speed of the car itself. In thinking this they are far the facilities of the state highway from the truth, for this law has set rye is to be sown in Michigan this authority recently issued by the In-

the conservation department in de- driven at a careful and prudent E. Powell, commissioner of agricultecting fires in their early stages and speed, not greater than nor less than ture, and Verne H. Church, agriculis reasonable and proper, having due tural statistican for Michigan.

es from a side road, he cannot be ed this year.

travel very slowly he should stay

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Are To Operate Under

I. C. C. Ruling

TO CONTINUE RUNS

The intended increase in wheat Lundeen every highway department width of the highway and of any oth- amounts to 15 per cent which would truck and road scraper would be er condition then existing, and no make the planted acreage 1,090,000 equipped with the necessary appar- person shall drive a vehicle upon a acres compared with 948,000 plant- 1926 hay crop and to assist in maratus to extinguish a small fire. In highway at a greater speed than will ed last fall and 920,000 harvested keting an anticipated heavy crop this but in the summer the county organaddition, he proposes that each high- permit him to bring it to a stop with- this year.

In the fall of 1926, an intended basis of competition against the "Thus, on a clear road with no increase of four per cent actually be- New York shippers. traffic, no curves or hills, and no came a decrease of ten per cent be-

er prices on certain close-in markets. 1, for verifying the origin and iden- plan of coping with the forest fire a man may drive his car as fast as he seeding time. likes and not violate the law. But if The present drought is making notice of such reduction 10 days prethere is other traffic ahead of him plowing difficult and much depends vious to the time of putting them inhe must drive at a speed that will upon future weather as to the acre- to effect. Any such reductions would as the county organizations, could northern part of the state have their enable him to stop in rear of other age that will actually be sown this obtain only until final settlement of do a lot toward building up member-

ipments. The Exchange seed department of primary importance, will soon be stubs carelessly dropped by tourists.

Make Reductions In

Appropriations

GROUP CONFERENCES OF PAST WEEK HAVE CREATED ACTION ON PART OF TO HELP FARMERS LOCAL BOARDS AND THEIR MEMBERS

companying ladders and fire-fighting Meetings Of The Future Are Seen To Hold Programs With Definite Problems And Questions Of Direct Issue Being Given First Consideration

> That the essence of Farm Bureau undertaking must find its place in the County Farm Bureau unit as well as in the State Farm Bureau organization, is the keynote of discussions being sounded out by groups of County Farm Bureau officers and directors in various parts of the state.

> The first of these group discussions was held at Grand Rapids, on August 25, and others were held at Marlette, on August 29, Marshall, August 31, and a few more are slated to be held in the next few days, at Saginaw, and Pontiac and possibly one or two other points.

> Tentative plans suggested for trengthening the organization in the various communities include setting aside certain dates for meeting of FOR HAY SHIPPERS nembers only, dates for holding open, ommunity meetings and getting the township committees and the county organizations to sponsor specific unlertakings of local interest as well as those of statewide and of national scope. Holding meetings with well arranged programs will accomplish much of lasting account, it was brought out by one of the county representatives at the Grand Rapids into southeastern markets is seen in meeting.

That county organizations have not een exercising any great amount of make reductions amounting to 7, 8, action during the summer months 9 and 10 cents a hundred pounds on was admitted by most of the delegates at the first of these conferences. These reductions were sought to William Jamieson, of Montcalm ermit the hay growers of this state ounty, stated, "We meet regularly unload a heavy carry-over of the during the winter months and do a season on a more nearly equitable ization does but little as an organization and the membership is allowed to dwindle or the members to be-While the lowered rates have not traffic approaching from side roads, cause of unfavorable weather at been given effect as yet, the com- come disinterested. There are a lot panies can publish them upon giving of prospects just waiting to be signed up now, I believe.

The township committees, as well a southern rate case, the favorable ship, O. R. Gale, of Oceana county

Township committees should be

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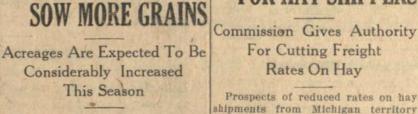
than to give information whenever

part of the programs of discussion

have been allowed to have the floor

All these things have been made

local information is needed.



An increased acreage of wheat and

closed its fourth year of selling seed. able to purchase seeds with a veri- As the tourists usually stick fairly is assured only up to those children; intended and for the entire United west shippers. Approximately 61,000 bushels of cer- fied origin seed certificate, issued un- close to the good roads, it is in their on hills or around curves he must be States an increase of 13.7 per cent tified seed were sold this year and der authority of the department of vicinity that the hazard is the great- able to stop within the limit of his is reported. If the country's intenanother 10,000 bushels of uncerti- agriculture. fied seed distributed.

some of the higher individual sales a seed verification service, developed cent conference on the matter at roads supperly, at east and greater For the entire country, an increase at those conferences, was later ap-Jackson, Miss. Organization of a fire slower for it takes a much greater of about 20 per cent is intended

Traffic Department Serves Well

The traffic department of the organization broadened out considerably during the year and rendered a great service on collections and claims. Of a total of 251 claims filed, 108 were collected. The total claims department.

amounted to \$26,000 and the amount collected was about \$8,500, which natural outgrowth of the Farm Buwas considered a very satisfactory reau's endeavor to protect the farmshowing.

Constantly endeavoring to render seed and seed from sources of origin the best and most complete service where the product is known to be possible to its members, the Ex- unfit for use in certain localities as, 15,000 are fenced in, show that,

change was able to add three new local associations to its roster dur-Ing the past season. These were at STATE MOVES TO season and Rock, in the upper STATE MOVES TO peninsula, and at Summit City, in the lower peninsula.

In the matter of building up the membership, the local associations have just begun to realize that the Halt Building Program, Name job of getting new members and maintaining the old members is their job to a greater extent than a job of the Exchange, although they have left much of the field work along this

line to be handled by the field representatives of the parent organization in the past.

September has been designated as "sign-up month" in the Exchange and the respective locals are going ahead with the campaign for new hand but \$19,000,000 in all funds exand renewed memberships in their board, reported that the state had on own territory with the state body hand but \$19,000,000 in all funds exmore in the background than ever cept the highway department fund before and with the locals assuming and had to expend \$15,500,000 of do. was made to apply to certain non- county. more of the initiative, it appears this amount by Sept. 1 to pay the member farmers of Montcalm county The minimum goal is a thousand counties their portion of the primary this season in the matter of using sion, in giving out a ruling in this new members.

gan Potato Growers Exchange, said:

passed the experimental stage and necessary highway construction work "make it go 'round." now market twenty-one per cent of sanctioned. all potatoes grown in Michigan. To preclude any possibility of there Farm Bureau seed and non-members which to sell the Lincoln branch to

portance. "Our growth has been steady but governor authority to pick a special no seed."

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est, the records showing that most of vision for he cannot be assured that tions were actually carried out, the The proposed service is the out- the fires have their beginnings along the road is clear beyond the point total acreage would amount to 48, The potato pool, during the first growth of recommendations made at the traveled highways. year of its operation, proved to be seed marketing conferences held in Paper Company Protects Lands very satisfactory in that it advanced June and November, 1926, in Chimoney to the growers at times dur-cago, to devise and suggest means by protection for 600,000 acres of tim-the road in front of him, so must tion to increase their rye acreage ing the winter when they most need-which verification of origin may be ber land in the southeastern portion drive his car well within control. by 13 per cent which would result ed it and also netted an average re-accomplished. The tentative plan for of Mississippi will result from a re- When rain, ice, and snow make the in 220,000 acres being planted, in cent conference on the matter at roads slippery, he must drive his car comparison with 195,000 last year. a seed verification service, developed

> protection district, embracing por- distance to stop. proved by the International Crop Improvement Association and Wholetions of a number of adjacent counsale Grass Seed Dealers' Association (now Farm Seed Association of North to those used in the national forests a speed less than is reasonable and 3,660,000, which was considerably America), with the recommendation are to be put in operation. Under the proper. This clause affects the driv-less than intended because of conproposed plan, a district forester and er who goes down a congested road tinued and excessive rains at seeding that the details be worked out by the fire chief will be employed and tele- at 10 or 15 miles an hour holding time in several states.

phone service and lookout towers will many cars behind him who might This may well be considered a be established throughout the area otherwise travel safely at 25 or 30 miles an hour. If a motorist wishes to ers against the sale of unidentified

Statistics compiled by the Southern away from the main trunk lines. Paper company, with a tract of 50,-000 acres of timber land, of which 15,000 are fenced in, show that, through the employment of methods TWO D. & M. LINES (Continued on page four)*

similar to those proposed at the Jackson conference, fires in its holdings of timber land in Mississippi have **REDUCE EXPENSE** been very materially reduced, losses in the fenced in portion, especially, Rose City And Lincoln Spurs being cut to a very low figure since

Committee To Check On Employment

The state administrative board this week took first steps to conserve the state's finances when Frank D. Mc-

Kay, state treasurer and chairman of

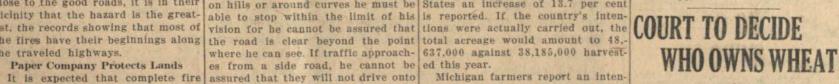
When in Rome, do as'the Romans running up to Comins, in Oscoda

school fund besides having vouchers Farm Bureau seeds.

A certain co-op in Montcalm had the railroad concern 60 days in smiled at our efforts, and later of employment in the several depart- were bound to have some of the seed, who will continue to operate it. tion of Goevrnor Green, voted the ships and said, "No memberships, position set up on behalf of the ag- ers quickly improve their herds.

ricultural interests of the territory

also, he said.



RELIEF IN SIGHT

terstate commerce commission per-

the hay freight shipments.

Who owns a wheat field? The at the group conferences. In each man who sows it or the one who discussion, the county representatives eaps it?

This fine question is to be ans- and to "open up" on the one big subered in a suit which has just been ject, membership signing and mainof about 20 per cent is intended begun in the circuit court at Char- taining. "There is a clause in the law that which would give a total of 4,629,-

ties, is planned, and methods similar says that a car shall not be driven at 000 acres. Last year's acreage was lotte between Ervin J. Starr and Theodore Martzke, both of Delta ownship, in Eaton county. During 1926, the defendant occu-

ied a farm in Delta township belonging to George Lee. In the fall he sowed seven acres of wheat, but he sowed seven acres of wheat, but in February of this year he moved off the farm, leaving the wheat be-hind, of course. In the spring, Starr leased the farm and moved on. **27-MILLION TAX** eased the farm and moved on.

A few days ago Martzke appeared State Board Is Expected To bidding Martzke to harvest the crop. shown by those in attendance.

tions passed by the 1927 legislature presented to the state administrative R. R. McPeek, who was in Europe Newaygo county; Fred Kerr, Thad board Monday afternoon by O. B. Fuller, auditor general, disclosed on a vacation.

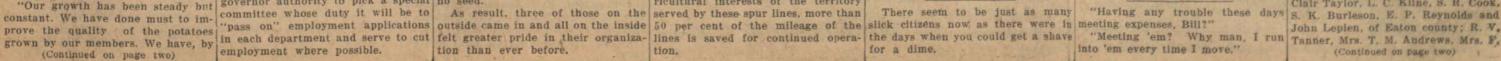
.The case will be fought out at the county; E. H. Gale, of Mecosta coun-While Oscoda has been faced with that a state tax of \$26,946,486 would fall term of court. the sorry plight of having to give up be needed to meet all of the appro

The administrative board is ex. FARMERS REPORTING

Rose City branch and the Lincoln tax levy and the new tax rate. De-Rose City branch and the Lincoln spite the slashes it is expected that branch, have been saved, at least the new tax will exceed considerably the new tax will exceed considerably les to find wheat yields larger than county. section of the state. Fifty-one miles of a total of 107 miles will be junked. This is the line running up to Comins, in Oscoda

of equalization being \$8,045,000,000. It has been usual for the admin- provement Association. istrative board, since it was given the power of lopping legislative ap-propriations from the tax levy, ma-secretary it is doubted if late re-Niles Hagelshaw of Lansing: W. W. terially to reduce the amount appropriated when the tax is fixed. Swine Herds Improved

When parasites are effectively con- by C. P. Finkbeiner of Clinton; or At Marshall, where the biggest While the independent dealer at first being any leaks through the channels of the co-op and the Farm Bureau some company, firm or individual trolled, the superiority of well-bred the production of 46.5 bushels per turnout of county representatives livestock over inferior kinds is so acre on 40 acres of Red Rock obtain- were present, August 31, there were fought us, he now recognizes our im-City.



A. J. Knight, speaking as a representative of Ottawa county, declared that the township committee is an essential factor in Farm Bureau organization but said that his county has not established the committees

C. L. Brody, manager of the State it the Lee farm to harvest his wheat Farm Bureau, and Claude Nash, orcrop. Starr refused to let him do it, ganization director, who have been laiming he lost his ownership when conducting these conferences, feel he left the farm. Starr went one step more than gratified with the spirit farther and secured an injunction for of cooperation and the enthusiasm

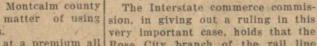
The injunction was issued by Circuit At the Grand Rapids conference Total of the tax clause appropria- Court Commissioner John C. Nichols the following were in attendance: Vaughan, and O. R. Gale, of Oceana

> ty; J. G. Livingston, Rudolph Zant and J. P. Munson, of Kent county; L. D. McNitt and C. H. Knopf, of RECORD WHEAT CROP Muskegon county; Mrs. Julia A. Lillie, A. J. Knight, Maurice Lindens, Clarence Ulberg, W. B. Easton and C. J. Clayton, of Ottawa county and William C. Jamieson, of Montcalm

Those at the second of the series Although reports of yields by John Martin, John A. Campbell, ports will show yields larger than Billings, Jas. R. Campbell, W. C. the 50.8 bushels per acre of Ameri- Pliter and John Clark, of Genesee can Banner on the James Campbell county and Dorr Perry, Henry Lane, farm in Clinton county; the fifty M. A. Gillies and Herman Walt, of bushel yield of Red Rock reported Tuscola county.

These were: George F. McMullen, Clair Taylor, L. C. Kline, S. R. Cook, John Lepien, of Eaton county; R. V. "Meeting 'em? Why man, I run Tanner, Mrs. T. M. Andrews, Mrs. F. (Continued on page two)

In opening the annual meeting, outstanding in amounts that actually Clover seed was at a premium all Rose City branch of the rail line

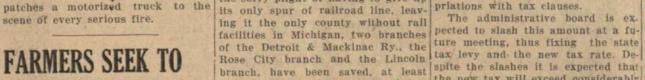


Henry Curtis, president of the Michi- leave a deficit of about \$2,000,000. over the country. Farm Bureau seed must continue to operate another 18 In the face of this report, all build- was portioned out carefully to vari months before further hearing can "Our Exchange and locals have ing was ordered held up and only ous communities in an effort to be had in the matter of abandonment while the order, just issued, allows

constant. We have done must to im- committee whose duty it will be to As result, three of those on the served by these spur lines, more than

forestry service, two years ago. The paper company has built lookout towers at various points throughout its timber land holdings and dis-





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In the past the move has been one of a centralized power or influence spreading itself out over the area in which the entire membership of the respective organization existed. This was the birth of the new life and the parent organizations, just as the State Farm Bureau has done, have nurtured and coddled the locals and the scattered individual memberships through their minor years until now we find the spirit of a real endeavor to continue, eropping out which speaks for the betterment of the organization in all its ranks.

We have an instance right at hand this month. The Potato Growers are going out for new members, a thousand or more new members, and the move is being initiated by the individual locals, nearly a hundred of which go to make up the parent organization.

To be sure, the Exchange is behind this move for increased members but the fighting spirit for existence and expansion is born of the desire and the determination of the individual to succeed. The Exchange is as a watchful father or a mother, counseling with and guarding the growing offspring against the pitfalls of experience.

The State Farm Bureau has the same situation arising. No definite time has been set as the month or the weeks in which new members shall be signed up but there is an inclination everywhere among the county groups to foster their own membership work and look to the state organization only for the guidance absolutely necessary to maintain a unification of effort and a combined achievement of purpose.

This is as it should be. Memberships to be the type that seal an organization against the encroachments of decay and the elements that tend to weaken it, must be voluntary. They must be even more than that; they must be born of a pride in the organization that has been instilled in the minds of those with whom the organization has come in contact. They must not be memberships seeking selfish gains.

Perhaps one of the most fortunate things in the history of cooperative effort in agriculture has been the fact that this cooperative effort has been born of a need, rather than a fancy or an idle desire.

It is the striving to meet this need that has bound those individuals of such varied ideas into a union whose every branch is now striving to produce and to develop of its own initiative. This is the true spirit of reproduction, breeding a stronger offspring.

THE BIG TRAINING SCHOOL

The Midwest Farm Bureau Training School held at Cedar Lake, Indiana, during the week of August 15, constitutes one of the most, if not the most constructive moves ever made within the American Farm Bureau Federation.

The school this year was simply a continuation of the good work started at Saugatuck, Michigan, in 1926. The aim of the school is to train Farm Bureau organization workers and state leaders in the fundamentals of organization building and maintenance. It accomplishes this by making available to everyone in attendance the successful practices in all of the different states and providing a means of contact with the highest grade outside ability in organization and sales practice. The program this year included instruction in note taking, accounting, administration, sales, advertising and publicity, collection and maintenance, psychology, etc.

The institution is conducted throughout an entire week essentially as a school and a large majority of those present took extensive notes and participated in the discussions.

Not only is the Midwest School developing information and inspiration regarding the best methods of organization and administration, but the meeting of State Farm Bureau representatives for a week each year is a most powerful influence in solidifying and unifying the Farm Bureaus of the midwest states. It is developing an organization consciousness and relationship between the states of the midwest that is leading to more harmonious and effective action on all questions concerning the interests of the Farm Bureau. It is also producing a noticeable effect in the moulding of policies of the American Farm Bureau Federation.

millions more are going out this year to support city, county, village and township projects.

Does real estate stand its share? Twenty-six millions of the \$87,000,000 for state purposes will come direct from real property. Of the \$220,000,000 for local taxes, real estate will bear its share in about this same proportion.

In private business, good management lies largely in keeping the overhead costs down. Looks like a little good management could well be injected into the matter of public business, with the stockholders exercising a closer check on the promoters and the staff who have been hired to conduct their business for them.

Did someone mention economy?

Corn Borer Campaign **Killed 95 Percent of Pest**

Destruction of more than 95 per | ing under of corn stalks, stubble, cobs ent of the European corn borer is and trash left in the field, and the estimated as result of the four removal and burning of all corn- group of states, held during the months of intensive campaign in de-fence of the nation's corn crop which feed lots, stacks or elsewhere that by about 150 Farm Bureau leaders ended July 2, according to reports had not been shredded or made into and others interested in Farm Buto the United States Department of silage.

Good Co-operation

Agriculture. General emergence of the moths of the borers renders Reports received by the departfurther clean-up of corn refuse use- ment indicate a very high percentess for this season.

age of voluntary co-operation in This campaign, conducted by the carrying out control measures by department in co-operation with the the farmers in the campaign area. state agricultural colleges, the state This record on the part of the farmdepartments of agriculture, and more ers in co-operating with the state than 300,000 farmers of New York, and federal agencies in the clean-up Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan and work is the more noteworthy in view Indiana, is one of the most intensive of the adverse weather conditions ever waged against an insect pest in under which the work was done and the United States. An area of more the short time which remained after than two million acres was inclved. complete authorization of the cam-Slowing up of the spread of the paign was made.

age from the pest should naturally tion to farmers for such work as was tollow this successful campaign, says performed in controlling the borcr the department. The final result, which was in addition to that normal however, will be determined this fall and usual in their farm operations. when records of the spread and in- The maximum amount allowed for festation of this year's corn crop cau such work was two dollars per acre only reservoir of power through e completed.

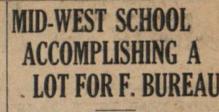
The campaign was begun March 14, under authority of an act of Con-gress appropriating \$10,000,000 for voluntary clean-up will receive bethe control of the European corn tween \$4,000.000 and \$5,000,000. permanent membership is paramount borer after necessary legislation be- Only the fullest co-operation with if the Farm Bureau is to function in came enacted by the states conceru- the department of all forces con- an educational, social and economic ed. From that time every effort has cerned has made possible the unpre. capacity; and that the Farm Bureau. been made to acquaint farmers in the cedented record of the 95 per cent area with the measures necessary for destruction of this pest which threata satisfactory voluntary clean-up ens the corn crop of the entire corn These include the burning or plow- belt. budget with membership as the pri-mary consideration.'

Potato Growers Close A Satisfactory Year

(Continued from page one) cutting of the middlemen's profit procured for our members a better price than paid by the independent buyer, our members would have received, had our organization not existed.

"During the past year we have had one of the most successful years of our existence. We have increased our Figure it out for yourself! Drive market acquaintance so that now we 35 miles an hour for five hours and can select from the markets, buyers you make a trip 175 miles in length. who are prone to cancel contracts and Average 50 miles an hour and you reject shipments merely because make the same distance in three there may have been a recent market hours and one-half but the saving of realization on the part of Midwest decline. We are steadily improving that hour and a half is made at a Leaders that unless the membership the quality and grade of our prod- great expense to the nervous system or organization problems of the uct, and through our Certified Seed of the driver and to the passengers American Farm Bureau Federation Potato Growers' Association, hope to as well.

continue to better the quality of our The strain on your motor car in- promptly, the American and State creases in geometrical progression as Farm Bureaus would fail to accom-



Attendance At Second School Totaled Approximately One Hundred Fifty

7 WENT FROM MICHIGAN

National And State Bureaus Seen To Benefit By Work Of School

The second Farm Bureau leader training school for the mid-west reau work in Illinois, Indiana, Ohio. Michigan, Missouri, Tennessee, West Virginia, Minnesota, Maryland, Wisconsin and Utah.

For the type of school, this is a very good attendance record and the achievement is acknowledged to be one of the best "spirit-moving undertakings of the workers of the Farm Bureau organization.

The following lines, taken from the word of welcome from C. L. Brody, registrar, at the opening of the school, give a good idea of what the training school does and aims to do. "The Midwest Farm Bureau Trainng School has to do with the source of life of the Farm Bureau. This lies

"We can only tap this great and of land. Under this provision of the maintaining a permanent and active County, State and National-must build its program, personnel and

"Furthermore, this can only be obtained by recognizing, as stated in point 4 of last year's conference. That to have a healthy and perma-A STRAIN ON CAR nent farm organization, farm lead-ers must have the courage to teach ers must have the courage to teach the membership that each American farmer owes to his occupation and and, I may say, double the price that Increasing The Speed Twice his community a decent contribution

> "These few statements contain the gist of all that the Training School aims to do.

Mid-west Presidents, Secretaries and Home and Community Leaders last year. It resulted directly from the were solved and progress made

of money, time and effort.' School Started by Executives "The School was originated by the

HIGH SPEED PUTS Multiplies The Strain



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 Nitrates plant and manufacture of fertilizer; opposition to any form of sales tax or of consump-tion tax; retention of federal income tax; Passage of Gooding-Ketcham Seed Stain-ing bill.

ENACTED APR. 26, 1926

TAXATION

Relief for sorely burdened farm property by enactment of:

FNACTED JAN. 29, 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.

AXES REDUCED

(d) Equalization of assessment of farm and city property in accordance with sales values of same. (Farm Bureau Investigations brought equalization in Calhoun, Ingham, Wash-tenaw, Monroe and Kalamazoo counties, saving farmer taxpayers \$67,350 excess taxes annually.)

TRANSPORTATION EFFECTIVE SEPT. 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.

EFFECTIVE OCT. 20, 1926

AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE Adequate protection for farmers against loss by fire, theft, collision, property dam-age and public liability furnished at rea-sonable rates.

THE PRESSURE SHIFTS

There appears to be a change of attitude on the part of organizations in general, especially those organizations which include memberships over wide areas. The change in attitude is an awakening of self or individual consciousness on the part of the members, be they individual members or member organizations with their own local affiliations and memberships.

The awakening of this attitude is bound to do for these organizations-the Farm Bureau, the Potato Growers' Exchange and various other commodity marketing organizations and educational organizations-just what the establishing of their parents organizations has done for the various branches of agriculture and for the entire industry in the past; cement the bonds of cooperation more closely.

The Midwest Farm Bureau Training School really constitutes a week of replenishment for Farm Bureau workers.

RURAL FIRE PROTECTION

Rural districts should lose no time in adopting a plan that is being rapidly developed in Michigan, where a number of communities have recently provided themselves with chemical fire trucks.

During the past year or so, the citizens of several sections of the state have co-operated in purchasing a piece of fire apparatus.

If the farming communities continue to purchase speedy chemical trucks and pumpers for cooperative service in given areas as they are now doing, it would seem that rural territory in Michigan will soon be nearly as well protected against fire as the urban sections.

A short time ago, the townspeople of Pigeon, situated in an agricultural region lying north of Detroit, Port Huron and Pontiac, but too far removed to be served by the fire departments of these cities, joined with the farmers in adjacent territory in the purchase of a fire truck. Marlette and Lexington, two other towns in the same district, now have under consideration plans for joining with the neighboring farmers in purchasing similar equipment. The citizens of Addison, a town in the southern part of the state, have arranged to buy a fire truck, the cost of which will be shared with the nearby farming community, the apparatus to be kept in the town, where it will be available for use on any farm in the district, as well as in the town, when occasion arises.

INTO THE LIMELIGHT

Michigan should gain a position pretty well in the limelight by the end of the current fiscal year, if not before that, for having built up one of the biggest drains ever established by a commonwealth. And the farmers of this state can well lay claim to a considerable proportion of ownership in this drain.

This is the great drain of taxation on the potential wealth of the state.

Roughly speaking, one third of a billion dollars will be doled out this year for taxes alone. That's enormous. It's really an outrage and it can't all be charged up as state taxes, either. But the state taxes have jumped about thirteen millions of dollars since last year with no indication of their being reduced through any alteration of program.

Eighty-seven million dollars of the total can be directly charged off as definite, state expenses. Two hundred, twenty

Colorado Man Speaks

product."

Colorado Potato Growers' Exchange. Denver, Col., who gave the history of machine at 20 miles an hour, and at rado which was started there seven years ago and which resulted in the hour. organization of the Colorado Potato Growers' Exchange four years ago. From the beginning it was found that three things must be accomplished, he explained.

1. Set upon a program to select some plan of marketing which would saving of time not worth the while. centralize selling.

2. Standardization of grades and County Farm Bureau packing. Central office must supervise standardization.

3. Orderly marketing as the only way to secure orderly distribution. This included certain powers and rights in the growers' contracts. The members are to deliver title to the potatoes as soon as they are deliver-

This last point enables the Exchange to borrow money on the potatoes and to store them in its name. The central association reserves the given a peck of the best seed potatoes their membership. right to accept or reject prices.

"The real test of the co-operative association is whether it raises the can. basic price level of the potato crop and not whether the member receives more than the non-member," Mr. Heppe said

The problem of surplus production was discussed by M. L. Noon, president of the Michigan State Farm Bureau, as one of the divisions of his topic, "Some of the Possibilities and Limitations of Co-operative Marketing.'

"Surplus is a problem worthy of consideration," he said, "While surplus is better than deficiency, let in not bring ruin to your business and County Groups Desire you. The dairymen are the best or ganized group in America now. Their prices stand up constantly because of the fact that they have learned their wants, when he wants it, and where he wants it-and no more.'

Election of Directors

ed for a term of three years.

Re-organization of Board

mediately after the conclusion of the of Hillsdale county; Mrs. C. L. Bro. Wisconsin, 1 and Utah, 1. business session of the Annual dy, of Ingham county and E. A. Wa-Meeting and proceeded to elect of- terbury, Clyde C. Barnes, M. E. Echficers. Mr. Henry Curtis was re-elect- tinew and V. B. Stout, of Branch

ed President, J. T. Bussey was re- county. elected as Vice-President, O. E. Hawley was re-elected as Secretary, and

urer.

F. J. Harger was re-elected as Treas- should sneak off alone some of these days and go fishing.

the speed increases in arithmetical plish the great ideals for which they President Curtis then introduced progression. In other words, the were established and the whole or-W. F. Heppe, general manager of the strain of driving a car at 40 miles an ganization would eventually fail or hour is four times the strain on the become impotent.

of potatees with unusual concern.

trant must be willing to exhibit 32

next winter.

eason.

Four Times

"It was, therefore, hoped by the the co-operative movement in Colo- 80 miles an hour the strain is sixteen founders of the institution that not times as great as at 20 miles an only would it result in essential organization progress in the Midwest The hazard of accident increases States but that the American Farm according to the same scale and a Eureau Federation itself might be man who proceeds at an average encouraged to attack the membership speed of 60 miles an hour increases problem and develop a constructive the danger to himself and his par- and vigorous national organization

sengers to a point that makes the policy. "The need of such action on the part of the American Farm Bureau Federation in relation to the states that are making little or no attempt Starts Spud Contest to maintain their membership is of first importance for it is only with an active membership in all sections of Montcalm County Farm Bureau is awaiting the harvest of the 1927 crop the country that we can build a real nation-wide organization and make About 80 candidates for POTATO the A. F. B. F. truly representative KING of the county, and possibly of of the farmers of the country. Otherthe state, have signed up in that wise it will be a name only and it county this season. These are boys will be increasingly difficult or imand girls of the county, four in a possible even for the State Farm Butownship, each of whom have been reaus that are now active to hold

"The interests of the County, available and instructed to plant State, and American Farm Bureaus them and care for them as best they are inseparable and depend on each One condition is placed on the po- other. The three links in the organtato growing contest; that each en- ization chain must be kept intact.

Membership Vital Issue "Membership signing and main-

potatoes after harvesting them this tenance constitute the most construcfall. The winners in the county are to exhibit at the Big Rapids potato tive and fundamental form of farm show and the winner there will ex- relief in which we can engage. The hibit at the state show at Michigan basic aim then of the Midwest Train-State College during Farmers Week, ing School is to develop effective and practical organization methods for This was one of the county's conthe Midwest States and encourage tributions to better agriculture this states in other regions to do likewise. It plans to accomplish this by providing training in all phases of

organization building. Those who represented Farm Bureau for Michigan at the school To Undertake Problems were: C. L. Brody, C. L. Nash and E. Day, and Mrs. George H. Loomis, Alfred Bentall, of Lansing: Mrs. job-to give the consumer what he wants, when he wants it, and where S. H. McDermid, F. H. Sherman, El-Albauh of Edmore, Mrs. Nash and mer E. Ball, G. C. Sackrider, Mrs. Mr. Wagar spent the week as guests Reed R. Cartey, Mrs. G. E. Boyer, at the school.

Miss Pearl Page, L. J. Decker, E. D. Illinois led the school for total num-The two retiring members of the Bushnell and G. C. Ballantine, of ber of persons attending, having an Board of Directors, George Herman Calhoun county; E. A. Murphy, E. S. attendance record, guests and state and E. A. Rasmussen, were re-elect- Benedict, C. H. Madison and William representatives, of 50. The other Coan, of Ionia county; W. C. Arm- states had: Ohio, 36; Indiana, 33; strong, Charles B. Boone, Bessie Kel- Missouri, 3; Tennessee, 1; W. Vir-The Board of Directors met im- lar. A. M. Brown and J. D. Knowles, ginia, 1; Minnesota, 2; Maryland, 2;

Three Stages

Courtship-He broadcasts; she listens. Honeymoon-She broadcasts; he If we were Lindbergh we think we listens. Now-They broadcast; neighbors listen.

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SEPTEMBER 2, 1927

That farming is no longer a hap-

azard business is given clear indica-

ion in a series of letters turned in to

he federal land bank of St. Paul,

ritten by farmers of several states

the area served by this bank who

ave made a success of farming and

To those who doubt that agricul-

ire thrives in proportion to the

rain power behind it we are quoting

om some of the letters, all of which

ere written in a contest sponsored

the bank, seeking to determine

hat methods the most successful ag-

culturists were using to meet ex-

enses on the farm and to provide

hat is actually needed to meet those

ayments." And it is always a

easing feeling to know that there

We always co-operate closely with

e agricultural college for any im-

roved seed or method of feeding,'

adds. "By keeping this up for

e past six years, the following im-

oved condition has been brought

pout: six years ago we threshed 460

ishels of small grain. We had 12

cres of corn. With five acres less in

nall grain we have, this year,

preshed 1100 bushels and have 12

Studies During Winter

doing business, Mr. Schmidt took

winter correspondence course in

rm bookkeeping, enabling him to

ep separate cost accounts of the

Allen Klemme, of Wolverton

ood sows to help meet the June

yments on the farm. After the pigs

weaned I fatten the sows and

11 them so I can pay my interest

For meeting his December pay-

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aims.

lways is money on hand."

now how they have done it.

r the future.

Sherwood.

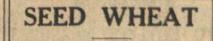
MICHIGAN FARM BUREAU NEWS

Case of Nerve

"Don't worry," said the dentist, "I lways give my patients-ahto-ah-quiet their omething erves."

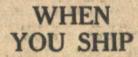
"Then what was that fellow in there yelling for?" demanded the skeptical sufferer.

'More!"-American Legion Week



We offer 1100 Bushels of Horton's BIG YIELDER white wheat in 25 bushel bots; per bushels \$1.50; smaller lots; \$1.60 per bushel. Bags extra at cost. This wheat averaged 47½ bushels to the acre on a sand farm and is an excellent quali-ty wheat. ty wheat.

Farmers Co-op Grain @ Produce Co. Blissfield, Mich.



Stocker and feeder cattle or sheep there are certain requirements that must be met to enable you to benefit by the new stocker and feeder rates allow-ed by the railroad companies on these two classes of livestock.

The traffic department of the State Farm Bureau is in position to render, the necessary service in arranging for these special class rates. Why not have this department assist you in getting these special rates this fall?

We Audit Freight Bills Free, Small Fee For Collections

Mich. Farm Bureau Traffic Dept. LANSING, MICH.



ing violators of the law, and ambu No time should be lost in arrang- lances when on emergency calls.

Rules of the Road

rections shall pass on the right side

mature sufficiently to make good shall first assure himself that he has that demanded that they take advan- five-year average prior to 1926. In

tion by blowing his horn. "The driver of a vehicle who is has matured thoroughly upon the overtaken by another from the rear

"No vehicle should overtake and mestic animals, the horse seems to require the least sleep and he usually

sleeps in an erect posture. Birds that roost in a sitting posture are furnished with a well adapted mechanism, which keeps them weak and unproductive and the selec- nify his intention by extending his firmly supported, without voluntary tion of seed so soon after silking and arm beyond the left edge of his ve- or conspicuous action. The tendons tasseling is not recommended. The hicle and holding it there long of the claws are so arranged as to be vigor of germination increases rapid- enough for approaching drivers to tightened by their weight when the thighs are bent, thus contracting

"A vehicle traveling on a trunk over vehicles approaching from pri-

"Parking on the highway is pro

"When a vehicle is parked in any them they will dry rapidly even with- town, the brakes must be set and out artificial heat. The use of a little the motor shut off. If parked on a

ing. The seed also is more likely to turned toward the curb. "All vehicles must stop in rear o

"When a vehicle approaches the seed corn will cause a rapid up- grade crossing of a railway or intercome of \$75 a month so that even According to Mrs. Charles R. ward current of air which will pro-th a total crop failure, payments Gregg, of Homer, Michigan, "our mote rapid drying if ventilation per-signal gives warning of an approach-

Making the Farm Pay SELECT SEED CORN EARLY; PLAY SAFE **State Gives Summary** Of New Traffic Code coupe when the vision of the driver (Continued from page one) , "The speed through cities and

"No poster, sticker or other obtowns remains the same as does the struction is permitted on a windspeed permitted for trucks and buses. shield or any window of a car ex- Marketing The 1927 Crop Frucks whose gross weight exceeds cept brake test stickers placed by 18,000 pounds will be held to 15 officers or funeral cards placed as

"Bicycles are required to have a light on the front at night and either

brings about a situation which may vehicles operated on the highways of well result in a serious seed corn this state, except fire apparatus when shortage in 1928 in some sections if going to fires, police vehicles when steps are not taken this fall to pre- answering emergency calls, or chas-

"The driver of a vehicle overtak-

side of the road, overtake and pass 1926 crops which is suitable for seed tion and drive to the right side of the 1928. Old corn is likely to be infest- traffic going in the opposite direced with insects or to have been dam- tion and without forcing the overtakaged by rodents. When such corn is en vehicle to turn from his direc to be held for seed, it should be ex- course to avoid a collision. Before

plants in the field. The loss in vigor, and shall have been warned of the however, which comes from slight intention of the other to pass, shall immaturity at the time the seed is drive to the right side of the road picked, is unimportant, compared and not increase the speed of his ve with the loss that may result from hicle until the other shall be safely

"Before starting, stopping or turn-

closely and grasping the perch or bench. In certain other animals that sleep erect, the articulations of the foot and knee resemble the spring of a pocket-knife, which serves to keep

> 100 Pct. Crop In Large Cherry Orchard

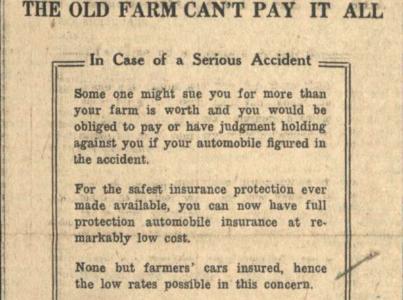
> > Although the northern Michigan cherry crop averaged only about or 10 per cent of normal this year because of killing spring frosts, the largest cherry orchard in the world

prefer to sleep under the shadow of

rock or woody bank. Of the do- that the fish could swim through."

had a 100 per cent crop. The owner is G. M. Dame, and his 12,000 -tree orchard is located on the Northport point peninsula.

Stew far-stew far Prof. (giving a lecture)-"I don't



= Write or Call for Particulars =

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of Bloomington, Ill.

MICHIGAN STATE FARM BUREAU

l, of South Haven and Guy G. Tefft, ment" and "we make veal of all the beef or cows and lay enough of that Excerpts from some of the letters hich the bank authorities consider- money aside for the June payment." Mrs. Gertrude Conolly of Harti most to the point are given here. A. J. Schmidt of Chaska, Minn., ford, Michigan, relates an interestirst place winner in the letter writ- ing experience with a \$1,000 morting contest, explains that "there is gage resulting from a fire that deo limit as to what a farm can be stroyed their farm home and its connade to pay." He says, "We follow tents. "We took an acre of land suitvery definite plan, always laying ed to small fruits and set on this side 10 per cent of all our income to neet our payments. By doing this a strawberries, gooseberries and urplus is created over and above

Successful Farmers Plan Their Work And Strive To Reach

A Definite Goal, Budgeting Expenses And

Improving Crops And Stock

black raspberries. We planned to meet our first interest . . with money from Rhode Island Red cockerels and did this very easily. . . . Frost ruined the small berry crop, so a half acre of cucumbers paid the interest, with a tidy sum left over. The winter payment was again paid by our Rhode Island Reds. This spring the small fruits made the payment and left its amount several times over to meet other farm expenses.

Widow Makes Good When Mrs. A. B. Staley of Imlay res of the best corn we have ever City, Michigan, was left a widow a little more than a year ago, she was \$900 in debt. Today, says Mrs. Sta-To improve further on the method ley

. . I am all out of debt, have a new car and a bank ac-

count.' Mrs. Staley sets aside \$1 each week veral units that go to make up his from her cream check and \$1 from

siness of farming and to improve her egg check. As a result of this, orther on his dairy cows and his Mrs. Staley says she does "not have to worry over my in-"Farming certainly pays if correct terest, it is always ready.'

In addition to 100 hens, Mrs. Sta anagement is applied," Mr. Schmidt ey cares for brood sows and "I also raise all the lambs inn., tells how he "keeps eight good

that the mothers will not own. I raise them on a bottle. I had only two this year and have just sold them both to head other flocks; received \$15 apiece for them.'

It is Mrs. Staley's opinion that ents, Mr. Klemme sets aside 30 "these are only a few ways that I res of barley, although half that have of raising money. Any woman nount would meet the bill in favor- who will use her head can do the e seasons. And then he has his same. The farm offers so many ways aithful cows which net an average for us to help ourselves."

will help me out."

Loan, in order to do which

"I raise thoroughbred Barred

Rock chickens just a little bet-

ter than most do, so that I can

sell them for breeding purposes

and the eggs go to a hatchery

at an extra price. I raise or-

phan pigs, lambs and calves. I

make jams and jellies, can meat,

fruit and vegetables for city peo-

ple. Have put out black rasp-

berries, red raspberries, straw-

berries, rhubarb, asparagus,

etc., so I will have a home sup-

up and a small herd of live stock . . . we applied for the ----loan. Now we have a nice stock . herd of 34 head of cattle, a team of horses, some other live stock and enough machinery to run the farm, all free of incum-

. there was no live-

stock and no machinery .

and I had the back taxes and

interest to make up. After we

got the interest and taxes paid

brances. My boys have a grade school education and my oldest child, a girl, is a rural school teacher.' This is the story of a courageous roman who says that "during the

vent it. ing to select an abundance of seed Among the letters adjudged as fall we sell off enough produce such corn from the present crop. There ize winners were several from as the surplus poultry, potatoes, beef are few areas in which some fields Michigan, including Charles W. Far- and pork to meet the December pay- will not mature sufficiently to per- giving each other one-half of the

mit selection of good seed. Farmers road way. calves we don't want to raise for whose crops for one reason or another are so late that they will not tunate neighbor.

Small Hold-Over From '26

amined, sorted, disinfected if neces- passing a vehicle going in the same sary, and protected from further direction he shall signify his intendamage.

The best seed corn is that which using seed of an unadapted variety past.

obtained in the spring from some distant source. Seed corn pick- pass another vehicle on a hill or ed about three weeks after curve unless the road beyond such pollination and dried carefully curve or hill is plainly visible.

will germinate. The plants grown from such immature corn will be ing, the driver of a vehicle shall sig-

ly with advancing maturity and a see. good quality of seed may be obtained from ears with kernels that are well line highway has the right of way

dented. Seed corn containing excess moist- vate roads or drives or from nonure must be dried rapidly and hand- trunk line highways. At the intersec led carefully until thoroughly dry. tion of two trunk line highways or the blade open .- Our Dumb Animals.

Sappy seed ears left in a sack or even two non-trunk line highways, the ve in a pile over night are likely to heat hicle approaching from the driver' or mold. Ample ventilation is the right has the right of way. most important consideration in dry-

ing seed corn. If the ears are stored hibited. so that the air can move freely about artificial heat will promote rapid dry- grade, the front wheels must be

mold or sprout under higher temperatures so that a good air move- a street car loading or unloading pasment and rapid drying are even more sengers and remain standing until important when artificial heat is the driveway is clear of passengers. used. A small heater located below

Animal Sleep Animals of the lower orders obey the marketing problems. Possibly adpeculiar laws in regard to sleep. Fish are said to sleep soundly. It is said for the greatly increased production that some may be taken in this state reported in far-western and mid-

hicle must be equipped with a rear on ONION GROWERS TO

is not obstructed, in rear.

FACE BIG HARVEST

Will Present Very Im-

portant Problem

On Farm

Along with other important vege-

ally favorable growing weather prob-

ably will result in heavy average

yield per acre and possibly in the

biggest onion crop on record. Grow-

ers and shippers, therefore, will be

obliged to give special attention to

ditional outlets will have to be found

According to present conditions, it

ooks as if a crop of 18,313,000 bush-

els of onions may be produced in 15

late-shipping states. This would be

about 2,500,000 more than last sea-

son and nearly 5,000,000 above the

recent seasons, main-crop onions

bushels, varying from 300 in Pennsyl-

Information Bureau

Inquisitive Lady (on visit to a bat-

le ship)-"And did they put those

Assuring Gob-"No. madam; they

rocks at the bottom of the ocean to

left two inches below the rocks so

western states.

if approached with caution. Many "Vehicles traveling in opposite dibirds and beasts of prey take their repose in the daytime. When they are kept in captivity, this habit un-

dergoes a change. We therefore coning another and desiring to pass, sider it might have been necessity seed from the field of a more for- sufficient room to drive to the left tage of the darkness, silence and the

unguarded state of their victims. In have been yielding an average of All hold-over corn of the 1925 and the vehicle going in the same direc- some menageries even the hyenas around 325 bushels per acre, but sleep at night and remain awake dur- this year the yield may exceed 350 should be retained for planting in road again without danger to the ing the day. With few exceptions animals seek vania to 440 in Utah. Indiana has shade, silence and seclusion for sleep. the largest acreage but the western The lion is a notable exception since New York crop probably will slight-

he takes his nap at noonday on the ly exceed total production in any oth-

open plain. Other exceptions are the er state. eagle and condor, who pose themselves on the most elevated pinnacle of rock and sleep in the clear blue atmosphere and dazzling sunlight. Birds, however, are furnished with nicitating membrane, generally to build that breakwater?" shelter the eye from the light. Fish

uld always be made." Mrs. Tom Sparrow, of Portland, band pays the taxes and the fire, hall, e., whose letter was adjudged third wind and life insurance premiums, st, says:

"We sell flax from 40 acres each year. This year it ran 16 bushels to the acre and we sold it for \$2.18 per bushel from the machine-the flax is put on corn ground and old alfalfa and sweet clover sod. This is the only grain we sell off the place and pays our September 15th payment, and the hired help and most of the other expenses on the farm." And then:

"In October we sell 300 young chickens and in December, the turkeys. Cream and eggs are sold most every week in the year. Cattle and hogs we sell in March to meet our March payment."

In the event, says, Mrs. Sparrow, that

"We don't get threshed in time, we have the wool money sold in June and the money from the brood sows sold in July to fall back on. We protect our hogs by vaccination . . . if we hear of hog cholera within 10 miles of us, and in case we should get it, we still have our lamb money, veals, chickens and turkeys."

The casual observation by Mrs. parrow that "we always use the full ood sires to head our herds and ocks" may prove a useful hint.

Uses the Banks Charles W. Farrell of South Han, says that in his business he . . . does not depend on any one crop to meet an obligation, nor do we assign an obligation to a collection of crops, but we use at the bank what is termed as certificates of deposit and it is this system we use to build up at the bank the necessary funds to discount all bills of im-

portance.' Once the deposit is made at the nk, says Mr. Farrell, "it is forgotn so far as counting on it as availle cash.

'Being tucked away in safety, it is indeed a happy mission to go to the bank and make a transfer from savings to checking when the occasion necessitates.

All of this is Mr. Farrell's explanaon of the statement that, "We opate strictly on a budget."

When Mrs. Ellen McCann and four nall children moved on the farm at arney, Michigan

plan is a partnership one. My husing at the top. keeps the place in repair and for two

playing safe by selecting an ample or three years needs his extra money supply of seed of an adapted variety for more tools and stock-then he just as soon as it is mature enough so that it can be relied upon to germ-Mrs. Gregg's part of the contract inate well. is to pay off the Federal Land Bank

MILLIONS OF CATTLE

On July 1 a total of 17,600,380 cattle in the United States were under supervision for the eradication

of bovine tuberculosis. Besides this number, considerably more than 4,-000 cattle are on waiting lists and will be tested as soon at the Federal, State and county veterinary inspectors complete other work for those

ply without buying." Pigs Pay the Bills

Mrs. John Carpenter of Hersey, Michigan, has "payment pigs" which are taking care of her loan. Mrs. Carpenter's first attempt to meet a Land Bank payment by means of But my aunt's washerwoman's son two pigs resulted in a check for Heard a policeman on his beat \$51.29 to meet an obligation amounting to \$48.75.

"By this time we had raised a young sow and she had six pigs . . . when old enough I took two of them and put them up to meet my December 2nd payment and from that time on I have met them in the same way. . . . If the price of hogs goes down, I will have to add another pig.'

Another man who claims his wife as his partner and who makes it the keystone in his arch of success is

Guy G. Tefft of Sherwood, Michigan. "We plan and figure just about what our income will be for the year, then we set aside enough to pay our loan and taxes. This is placed in the bank to be used just for that. Then there is so much . . for

farm and household expenses and if we have a good year and get a larger income than we had figured on it is placed in the bank to be used for things that were not included in our plan." Mr. Tefft declares that in this way suppl River flood area which covered and cutouts may not be used under

romises that: "Others can do it and always keep enough ahead for one payment in advance."

Nature doesn't stop to explain. You've got to do that. parted.

mits this air to pass out of the build-The possibility of obtaining better and remain standing until the train

seed later on should not prevent or interurban shall have passed. "On the approach of fire of police department vehicles that are giving an audible warning by means

> vehicles shall move to the right hand edge of the road and stop and remain standing until such police or fire de partment vehicles shall have passed UNDER INSPECTION "No vehicle shall follow fire ap-

paratus within five hundred feet when such apparatus is going to a fire.

"No vehicle shall be driven of parked within one block of where fire apparatus has stopped in answer to an alarm of fire.

Equipment

'All motor vehicles must be equip-

ped with two sets of brakes; a ser-

vice brake capable of stopping the

vehicle from a speed of 20 miles an

gency brake capable of the same per-

formance and also capable of holding

cend. A motorcycle requires but one

"All vehicles must be equipped

with two headlights on opposite

sides of the front of the vehicle, cap

able of lighting the highway 200 feet

that they will not throw a glaring

light into the faces of drivers of ap-

"All vehicles must have a red tail

"Trucks over two tons and buse

"Spot lights are permitted provid-

ed the light is directed entirely to the

set of brakes.

of whistle, siren or bell, all other

"Under the traffic code, the folowners who signed up earlier for tulowing equipment is either required or prohibited.



Absolute knowledge have I none: hour within 40 feet, and an emer-Say to a laborer on the street the vehicle on any grade it can as-

That he had a letter just last week Hand written in the finest Greek From a Chinese coolie in Timbuctoo Who said that a son in Cuba knew Of a colored gont in a Texas town Who got it right from a circus clown That a man in Klondike got the news From a gang of smooth American ahead and so designed or adjusted

Jews That some fellow in Borneo Who knew a man who claimed to proaching vehicles. Motorcycles need

but one headlight. know A hermit who lived beside a lake Whose mother-in-law will undertake light visible for 500 feet in rear. To prove a friend's sister's niece must have three green warning Has stated in a nicely written piece lights visible from the front and That she has a son who knows about three green warning lights visible The date the new Ford car comes out. from the rear and mounted on the -Stolen.



More than 225,000 head of horses, mules, cattle, swine, and over 1,-300, 000 poultry were lost in the Missis- tus must be equipped with a muffler,

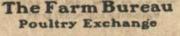
hey are avoiding debt and are liv- 4,417,500 acres in 124 counties or any condition. ing in comfort and he holds out the parishes as a result of levee breaks and swollen local streams during department vehicles and ambulances May, June and July, according to a may be equipped with a bell, siren or

summary of estimates of the Missis- exhaust whistle. sippi flood area.

A fool and his car should be soon that can be operated or controlled

mind if a student looks at his watch ing train or interurban, the driver of once in a while, but what gets me such vehicle shall bring it to a stop

s to see someone take out his watch, shake it a few times, and then put it up to his ear.'



which formerly operated at 2618 Riopelle Street, Detroit, has dis-continued business. This business has been taken over by the

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ments.

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Clothing Department

State Farm Bureau LANSING.



From Range to Feedlot 68,000 LAMBS

Have been purchased for delivery through the co-ops for feeding this fall.

Supplying feeder lambs and cattle to Michigan livestock growers through the National Live Stock Producers Association was undertaken by the Michigan Live Stock Exchange a year ago with such resultant success and satisfaction to the growers that similar connections have been made this season.

Last year 23,000 of a total of 130,000 feeder lambs purchased through the national Livestock Producers Association were placed in Michigan. In addition to this there were 10,000 feeder cattle purchased direct from the range at a great saving to the feeders.

This season's shipments of lambs will begin September 1. from the Oregon ranges, and continue until September 15; Montana lambs, September 15 to October 10. Write J. H. O'Mealey, Secretary, Michigan Livestock Exchange, Hudson, Mich., for particulars.

> Representatives Now In The Cattle Territory

Michigan Livestock Exchange HUDSON MICHIGAN

and not over 100 feet in front of the vehicle. "Every vehicle except fire appara-

rear of such vehicles.

"No vehicles except fire and police

"Every motor vehicle must be

equipped with a windshield cleaner by the driver, and every motor ve-

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CLASSIFIED ADS. POULTRY

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FOR SALE—ONE 1500 WATT WEST ghouse lighting plant. Good condition easonable, Collise & Ehridge, 6 mil-est of Ann Arbor on U. S. 12. 9-9-The outlook earlier in the seaso ndicated a very good crop, but dry

> AN IDEAL COUNTRY HOME WIT 50 acres of land for immediate as is," tools, stock and everything, niles from town. Write John J Deckerville, Mich.



Human beings are generally th

hief recipients of aid from the Real

Repair Stables Now

Cherries

d in many years, being only 28 pe

cent of a normal yield. In the Grand

Traverse region, the heaviest produc

ing district, the yield of sour varieties

was not much over ten per cent of

normal. The yield was considerably

West Michigan fruit belt, but far be-

Blackberries and Raspberries

weather has reduced the prospect

and the August 1 reports from grow

ers showed an average of 69 per cen

Melons

during July in the commercial sec

ions and the percentage of a crop in

ow normal in all sections.

This crop was the lightest harvest-

Now is the season to look over the dairy stable and see what improve ments or changes can be made that fort of the cows. Less labor decreases costs and greater cow comfort

The Breakfast Nook

Add to useless things-a breakfast look. Dad grabs his breakfast at the restaurant and the kids never get rimony is that it keeps the men hum up till noon.



Poultry Women Lose Millions HARVEST HAS BEEN **FARM UNITS SEEK TO MAKE PROGRAM** FOR LEGISLATION

And Farmers' Union Meet In Oct.

TO INITIATE MEASURES Where the average farmer formerly Agreement On Major Issues To Be Sought. To Confer

At Washington

sult from a conference that is slated feed many thousand more chickens for sometime in October between rep- for meat consumption. resentatives of the American Farm But doubtless the best index to Grange, to be held at Washington.

This special conference, designed the broilers of Michigan-and any to draft a program for the American other state for that matter-first see but it may take years. farming interests that may be sub- the light of day through the glass of mitted for consideration of Congress incubators, and reach their future home by the way of the postal route. this winter, was planned last January when representatives of these There, in the files of the postal de three great agricultural organizations partment, can be read the phenome nal growth of the poultry business. met at Washington for a discussion Aside from the big concerns, the of the then most important problems. great part of the raising of chickens

At last winter's conference, these three organization representatives the work and theirs the marketing agreed upon some 25 or 30 non-im- In the work, with the efficient, nec portant points but were not able to essary and gratuitous help of M. S come to any definite, concurrent un- C., they are in general succeeding derstanding on several of the major very well, but in the marketing, es issues, such as farm relief and Muscle pecially with the hens and chickens Shoals operation.

It was the agreement at that time are not succeeding as well as might that neither organization should go be on record as being for or against any of the major issues until after the meeting in October, which they then them poorly. In this they have much open, to be determined upon defin- general, farming appears to be at the getting Itely by correspondence, probably level where produce is raised effisome time in September.

When the conferences met last the level where the marketing has upon that, until farm organizations ing and selling are each one-half of tion, congress and political bodies can equal. not be expressed to extend any favors to the agriculture of the nation. With an understanding that their representatives would again convene in October, to frame some sort of policy of legislation that might be initiat ed by these three influential organizations as soon as convenient after their respective annual meetings this fall, no one was authorized to become spokesman for any of the organizations in the conference and no policies were to be discussed openly until after the October meeting.

Such projects as economy in government, establishment of an agri- other. In some cases the balance is in cultural day, utilization of water favor of the local buyer. power and retaining ownership of such Hower by the government, pro- broilers to a local dealer at thirtytection of the Federal Farm Loan five cents. Two days later the returns System, eradication of the corn borer, came back from a commission house rates, support of the U. S. Shipping hundred and twenty-five pounds, the strains of red clover and alfalfa seed

By S. H. CONKEY |commission men to become rich. Put-Director Huron County F. B. ting into the word its modern mean Michigan is fast becoming an im- ing, they are slaves, economic slaves portant poultry raising state, not one to these men. It is wrong, all wrong of the leaders by any means, but Farm Bureau, National Grange growing by leaps and bounds. One has been pointed out time and again. Latest Crops Report Makes annot travel in any direction with- and one that the factory worker, the

out seeing among the apple trees or carpenter, the locomotive engineer close to the house on almost every adopted years ago, from which he is farm, it would seem, the familiar lit- now reaping the benefit: Co-operale "ten by ten" brooder house. tion.

raised from one hundred to one hun- could join together and hire a man dred and fifty chickens a year, on of high caliber to represent them in many farms now the number has in- Detroit. They could well pay a fancy creased to three and four hundred price, five or ten thousand dollars and often many times more. Not only year, in order to insure themselves that, but in many places people are really good man. The way things now going into the chicken business ex- are they are supporting not one man

A definite, united stand on agri- clusively. These people will keep at that figure but twenty, fifty, a cultural matters is expected to re- thousands of hens for laying and hundred, at many times that price This man could build up an organization that would handle all the poultry of Michigan. Millions of dol- been cut and threshed without any Bureau Federation, the National the increase in Michigan's poultry lars would revert from the callous Farmers' Union and the National business is the post office receipts. hands of the commission men to the grains are yielding well and the

Practically all the laying hens and farm women, where it belongs. It can be done, and it will be done,

Federal Government To **Issue Seed Certificates**

(Continued from page one) The strict adherence of the Farm Bureau to its original rule of providing the farmers with only seed of is done by farm women. Theirs is known adaptability, together with the curred during the past week in variarge volume of seed handled under ous sections of the State. this system, has brought about one of the most outstanding changes for the better ever accomplished in the seed industry of the country, or of they sell for meat consumption, they seed business has come to acknowledge the need and the advisability of picking the seed from the best

sources and then identifying this seed They raise the fowls well, but sell so that the grower will have a defischeduled, leaving the exact date in common with their husbands. In nite knowledge of what seed he is Farm Bureau Welcomes Move

The first great step in the move to ciently and in quantity, but not at protect the farmers was the enact January it was understood and agreed received its proper attention. Rais- ment of the federal seed staining law a year ago to identify foreign seed can decide upon a united course of ac- the total process of farming and are by dying a certain per cent of the seed imported at the time it is There are two ways in which the brought into the United States.

farm woman can sell her fowls to the The Michigan State Farm Bureau local buyer or to a commission house. has been represented many times in On the whole, the latter seems to be the past year or two in conferences the one preferred by the majority, where seed interests and agronomists because the prices quoted by the lo- have undertaken to develop a workcal buyers are often ridiculously low. able scheme of meeting the demands Yet, despite the higher prices that of the farmer for dependable seed. come back on the commission man's In June of this year, at the time of sale sheet, on comparing the net rethe regular meetings of the Farm ceipts with those that would have Seed Association of North America been received from the local dealer, and the American Seed Trade Asit will be found that there is usually sociation, the details of the proposed little or no difference. One is just service were presented for discusas good as the other, or if looked at

adapted for his use. This protection

may be accomplished by a seed

Will Issue Certificates

Under this service the origin of a

properly, one is just as bad as the In this service only the verification of origin and identity of seeds I myself sold two crates of rock is contemplated. There has been considerable discussion in recent years concerning the value of origin of growth of certain seeds, particularly protection of the dairy industry, op- on one crate that I had sent there. alfalfa and red clover seed. Congress position to tariff reduction on vege- The price was forty-three cents. The has enacted legislation to furnish table oils, readjustment of railroad crate at the station had weighed one protection from undesirable foreign

verification service.

GOOD IN MICHIGAN THRU 1927 SEASON There is only one remedy, one that

Agriculture In State Appear Brighter

The poultry raisers of Michigan DROUGHT IN SOME SPOTS

Grains Turn Out To Be The Farmers' Best Bet For This Year's Crops

included in the report. Michigan farmers have experienced points above the ten-year average. very satisfactory harvest season. Beetles are unusually troublesom Weather conditions were favorable and blight is reported in some localin most sections and much grain has ities.

rain during the time. The small quality is generally good. Corn and beans are below the ten-year average in condition but all other crops are up to or above the average. Drought is becoming acute over the lower Peninsula except in the southeastern portion and all cultivated rops are being injured thereby Frosts of sufficient severity to cause considerable damage to corn, beans,

potatoes and the truck crops have oc-Corn

Considerable improvement in the corn crop during July was noticeable in various portions of the State but any country, in that everyone in the growth was checked during the latter part of the month by drought which prevailed in most sections except the east-central, southeast, and Upper Peninsula districts. There are many poor stands and as dry weather still continues at this, the critical period

only a partial crop is possible. The condition as reported is 64 per cent. or 16 per cent below the ten-year average for August 1, and indicates production of 39,875,000 bushels.

Winter Wheat The Michigan Wheat crop is very good in all except a few counties. The year ago. straw is long and only a few sections

report any rust. Considerable threshing has been done in the southern half and yields are generally good. The average for the State is 22 bushels per acre, the highest in more than 22 years except in 1924. The estimated production is 20,240,000 bushels as compared with 17,916, 000 in 1926. The grain is of excellent quality being rated at 92 per cent, three per cent above the aver-Spring Wheat

Conditions have been favorable in the Upper' Peninsula, where the major portion of the acreage is locat-The outlook is seven per cent above the ten-year average and indicates a crop of 153,000 bushels against 82,000 last year, as the acreage is somewhat larger. Oats

While not a large crop, the yield board, increased tariff on tomatoes crate itself weighing thirty-five by coloring such seed upon entry will be fair in most sections but the

duction of 53,003,000 bushels.

Barley

Rye

in a few northwestern counties of

Buckwheat

Pasture

result of insufficient moisture. At the end of the month they were still six per cent better than the ten-year

portion.

Peaches The quality is good, but the crop is mainly confined to a few southwestern counties on favored expos ures where some orchards have a good crop. The yield will be very light in other portions of the State, and the total crop, as indicated by the present condition of 31 per cent, is forecasted at 561,000 bushels.

Many fields are excellent, but on some flat lands where spring seeding was delayed by wat weather poor stands resulted. The condition of 83 per cent is equal to the ten-year average but two points below last year on increases yields and profits.

of normal.

ing the month.

August 1. Field Peas Favorable weather conditions preailed in the main producing sections, and a condition of 84 per cent is re-

SURVEY IS COMPLETED

SHOWING QUANTITY OF

Probably the most complete survey

ver made of the canning industry of

Michigan has just been completed

The report discloses the fact that

nearly three and one-fourth million

dollars' worth of fruits and vegeta-

bles were canned and preserved in

the State's 75 canning factories last

year. All plants except a few small

ones supplied the information regard-

ing their operations in 1925 and

1926; hence, the figures are nearly

complete for all commodities listed.

However, products which went to

special kraut and other factories not

considered as canning plants, are not

Sugar Beets

FRESH FRUITS CANNED

ported. Tame Hay

The condition of 90 per cent is unusually high and forecasts a total

crop of 4,314,000 tons. Michigan ranked fourth in production "last year, and this year's crop promises to exceed that of 1926 by more than 200,000 tons. Clover and timothy and the first cuttings of alfalfa were generally heavy and, in most sections, were secured in excellent condition. Second cuttings of alfalfa will be light in many locations due to the prevailing drought.

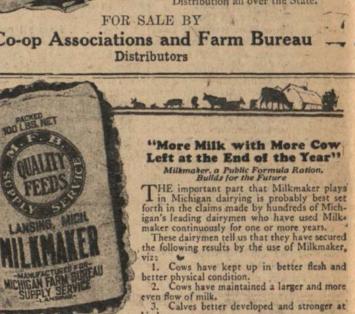
Pasture conditions dropped from 90 to 80 per cent during July as a

average and 12 per cent above one

Apples

There is a very bad infestation of cab and aphis throughout the State which has greatly lowered the quality of the prospective crop which is now reported to be only 37 per cent of normal. There has been a heavy drop of fruit during June and July due to poor pollenization, and the present outlook is for a total crop of 5,129,000 bushels, of which 906,000 barrels are rated as the commercial

Pears The quality is much better than



One of the best things about mat ble.

Cross in times of disaster, but in the recent floods on the Mississippi, and mals were rescued and cared for i will lessen labor or increase the com- great numbers. The largest tem porary hen yard in the United State was constructed at Opelousas, La., t feed 100,000 chickens driven by floo waters from their own roosts. The Red Cross also fed some 30,000 cat

tle, 30,000 hogs and 10,000 mules,

and tomato products, use of federal pounds, which thus left a total of into the United States. This protects quality is only fair as many are light income for paying federal debt, op- ninety pounds of chickens. They paid the American farmer from objectionposition to branch banking except me for sixty-seven pounds, out of able foreign seed but it is also very cent is four per cent above the averof price determining at the great live lars to have sold them locally. stock centers, passing of a standard containers law and other points of less importance were among those upon which the three organizations agreed last winter. They also were them by express to that place. Your of the opinion that new reclamation crates, together with fifty others, projects were not a necessity at this are piled onto a huge truck and drivtime, under present economic condi- en to the commission house. There tions.

agriculture together on the problems of most vital concern to the industry.

Horticulturists Originate

in large cities, recognizing value and which had to come their commission desirable to protect him against seed age and two per cent better than necessity of research work, advocacy of five per cent and the express of cooperative marketing, legislation charges. In this case I would have to preserve the competitive features made in the neighborhood of six dol-What is the process of sending to a commission house? You hear of a house from a neighbor, to which he has sent with fair satisfaction. You

Marketing Methods Poor

crate your chickens and consign

The October conference will be one themselves, of course. The price you seersmen's warehouses. In addition for the purpose of initiating a legis- get is dependent upon what the rest to the records themselves, files of lative program, not one of attempt- of the commission men are paying. ing to conclude any such program for Your check is made out and mailed. the farmer and will serve to bring all You have marketed your chickens. dentity of these lots.

points in this system?

Some Peculiar Names

Scores and scores of them.

pass through them.

Millions and millions of chickens

When horticulturists develop new ing them to ship you some. Presentfruits or grains by breeding or cross ly along comes the mailman and lays inspector. of familiar plants they have to name off three packages. Perhaps there is the products. "Citrangeqaut" is an a tiny hole in the sacks. You weigh example of a name evolved by breed- all three articles on your scales, comers for the Department of Agricul- pute the price that you think is fair. ture. It comes from a combination judging from what your neighbors of "kumquat" with "citrange." Kum- have paid, and mail the check to the quat is an Americanized spelling of concern.

the name for the Chinese fruit. Cit- Is there anything absurd in that range is itself a fairly recent coinage procedure? Not any more than to the that tells its own story of a fruit that actual procedure by which farm woresembles an orange in appearance men sell their poultry. Not a bit. with the sourness of a lemon, Inci- They weigh their crates at the point dentally the citrange is the result of of shipment, but that is not what a cross between the ordinary sweet they get paid for. Everybody knows orange and a Japanese trifoliate or- that live produce loses weight in ange of no commercial value and shipment. Maybe a crate loses five does not resemble either parent. Both pounds and maybe twenty-three, as these new fruits are hardy substi- mine did. Who is to judge? Comtutes for the lime and lemon, capable mission men should be honest. Likeof growing in regions too cold for or- wise the world should be without proved as the bureau can handle this a few counties promise a good yield dinary citrous plants, and in addition wars. There you are. In Detroit, are proving of value as budding near the Eastern market, there are postponed for action until after July The extreme dry weather at time of commission houses without number. stocks for the Satsuma orange.

Five New Varieties

Of Wheat Are Good Few of the owners appear to be 9th Annual Meeting Of 11 new varieties of wheat incro- poverty stricken. At least they keep duced into the United States by the it well hidden if they are. Where Department of Agriculture or de- does their money come from? Who

veloped in co-operative experiments supports them? in recent years, five have proved of The answer is obvious. value to wheat growers. These are Kota, Federation, Hard Federation, Michigan do. They rise early in the man, December 5, 6 and 7, 1927. In crop very materially unless the Karmont and Nodak. In 1926 it is morning and stay up late at night, addition to the usual large state dele- drought is relieved soon. The August Producers Co-Op Com. Ass'n estimated these varieties were grown they worry over their susceptible and gations, each of the 1800 county 1 condition was 83 per cent, equivaon a total area of 1,855,000 acres tender flock enabling these legion Farm Bureaus is this year being ask- lent to a production of 31,262,000 with an increase of crop value esti- for instance, Italian clover seed for ed to send one or more delegates to bushels. This outlook is one point mated at \$5,525,000. Michigan growers,

from the grower until they leave the acreage. they are unloaded and weighed-by Analyzes System Under the proposed plan, seedsmen the Lower Peninsula but elsewhere Are there any weak or absurd who comply with the regulations and the crop is satisfactory. The prelim-

provisions of the department govern- inary estimate of production is 2. Let us make an analogy. You are ng the service, may issue United 866,000 bushels. The quality is ratin need of sugar, flour and shingle nails, we will say. You write a card States verified-origin seed certificates ed at 91 per cent which is three per to a firm that sells these articles tellon seeds which have been proviously ed at 91% which is 3% higher

verified as to origin by an authorized than the average. The outstanding feature of the service is the United States verified- were planted in Michigan this year. origin seed certificate which will be used on tags or labels by seedsmen growth in some sections, the condiauthorized by the department to is- tion of 83 per cent is up to the aversue it. Those who are given the age of other years at this date,

privileges of this service may an- which, under normal weather condiiounce the fact, in a form approved tions until harvest, is equivalent to by the bureau, on letterheads, circu- a crop of 931,000 bushels. Last year's production was 765,000 lars or other advertising matter. It may be impossible the first year bushels:

The Ninth Annual Meeting of the

this national farm congress.

of the service to handle a large number of applications as no funds have

Field Beans

Beans show a condition of only been expressly appropriated for the 76 per cent which is seven points beconduct of this service. Applications low the ten-year average for August will be considered in the order in 1. There were many poor stands and which they are received, and when as dry weather has greatly interfered many have been received and ap- with growth in various sections. Only season, later applications will be unless conditions improve very soon. 1, 1928, or until such time as addi- report may injure the setting and filltional' facilities are available.

if maintained to the end of the season, would result in a production of

The early crop shows rather light vields but late crop is showing good

American Farm Bureau Federation is slowing up the growth in many The women, the farm women of will be held in Chicago at Hotel Sher- sections and promises to shorten the

better than one year ago and three

that of apples but is also a light crop, in weight. The condition of 84 per being estimated at 554,000 bushels which is 39 per cent of a normal proproduced in this country that is not last year and is equivalent to a protion is lowest in the southwest district where 69 per cent of the trees are located. The condition of 85 per cent is four

Grapes

points above the average and up to The outlook is considerably begiven lot of seed sold by an author- last year's condition on the same low earlier expectations. Spring ized vendor of inspected seed may, by date. Threshing returns indicate freezes caused- considerable- injury an examination of records by a Fed- very good yields in most sections and and the clusters are scattering and eral seed inspector, be traced back a total crop of 5,055,000 bushels. The irregular in many vineyards. The to the place the seed was produced. increase of one and one-quarter milcondition is reported to be 59 per Such records would cover all lots of lion bushels over last year is mainly cent of normal, which is equivalent seed from the time they are received due to a corresponding increase in to a production of 57,044 tons. Plums

The crop is generally light in most The average yield of rye from this samples of all lots offered for sale year's crop is 14.7 bushels per acre as sections and is estimated at only 31 would afford another check on the compared with a ten-year average of per cent of a full crop. This is a de-13.7. There was some winter-killing cline of four per cent during July.

> You Lose When Hogs It is estimated that 68,000 acres **Die in Transit** While it has been too dry for best

> > HINTS TO SHIPPERS

1. Hot spells come suddenly, be prepared. 2. Bed cars with sand-not straw. 3. Wet car floors before

loading. 4. Spray water on feet and bellies of hogs.

5. Do not pour cold water on backs of warm hogs. 6. Handle animals patiently

-avoid excitement. 7. HAUL hogs to shipping

pens. S. Do not feed just before or after loading.

9. Do not crowd animals in cars.

10. Load Upper decks light in hot weather. 11. Ice hung in cars keeps

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hogs in good condition.

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ing of pods. The August 1 condition, 6,792,000 bushels. Potatoes December 5, 6 and 7