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The Farmer Who Isn't "up" on

Farm Bureau Activitles May Get "down" on Organization

REQUEST ACTION ON TOWNSHIP ROAD LEGISLATION DISTRICT AGENTS Legislation **AIM TO INCREASE At**A Glance **INSURANCE MARKS** Senator Phil O'Connell of Mc-

Series of Meetings Show Higher Spirit Among Local Workers

DISTRICT MEN PRESIDE

Women Take Active Interest In Writing Policies For Farm Bureau

The Farm Bureau insurance deartment has just completed a series six highly successful district etings of its agents. Over three ndred-fifty agents and their wives ended these meetings, which have n full of interest and real peppy the way through.

The meetings were held at Ann bor, for District No. 3; Kalamafor District No. 1; Ithaca, for istrict No. 5; Albion, District No. Cass City, for District No. 6 and and Rapids, for District No. 4. e meetings were held in the order

At the first two meetings we had rry H. Crane, Superintendent of ents from our company headquarrs at Bloomington, Ill. At each of e other meetings, the district ents from several of the other discts assisted on the program. Alwe had many of the wives of the nts present. We are very glad ladies came and hope they will tinue coming to our district and

other agents' meetings. At all of these meetings, plans re made for increasing the busiss in the districts and many agents each district took part on the proam. All of those who went to the agents' convention at Bloomingas reward for their work during past year, gave account of their ression of our company as they it at headquarters. Also, at h meeting, there was a good prom of music and other entertainnt features. It would take too g to mention all of them, but we its' convention at any time.



GROWERS EXCHANGE AIDS LEGISLATION

All Table Stock Potatoes Will to return. Service, quality, profits in propor- county. Require Grading If Law Is Enacted

One of the most important legislaive measures of interest to agricul ture, before this session of the Legislature, is the McNitt potato grading bill, H. B. 157, which requires that all table stock Irish potatoes be sold on grade.

Fregor claims a very satisfactory measure has been drafted to take

care of the drainage requirements of

the Thumb district and probably will

be introduced in the next few days.

The plan is to work with the exist-

ing laws by making necessary changes which would allow an indiv-

idual farm to be classified as a drain-

age district but, to get action on ap-

plications for individual drainage

projects, the county drain commis-

sioner would not be required to con-

sider such applications oftener than

twice a year, this giving him an op-

During the past year, particularly, the sale of poor quality, ungraded stock by competitors of the locals of the Michigan Potato Growers' Exchange has been a serious menace to these local associations.

The bill made its way through the House without serious opposition. It d among our agent force a sup- is now in the agricultural committee of very good talent, so that we of the Senate, and no serious obquite able to put on a real jections seem to have arisen as yet to hinder its progress there. How-



The Obstacle--Indifference

The old thread-bare argument, "Farmers can't hang together" will be proven to be a thing long dead but there is one big obstacle to paddle around, however, and that is-INDIFFERENCE .--- Walter Getchel, President Isabelle County Farm Bureau.

After having guided the good boat tion to business rendered, a spirit of in the transportation division. With 'Co-operation" for a decade on the mutual self help are course over stormy waters of opposition and hav- which co-operative endeavor cruises the present utilities commission will ing missed legislative entanglements, most successfully. Should, we disome good co-operators think they gress from these fundamentals the be required to choose the three man see in the distance the calm waters future is doubtful. Editor's Note: This is the second

We point out, however, that like cartoon to be sent us by Mr. Getchel, under the department of agriculture the proverbial "Nigger in the Wood- of Mt. Pleasant, president of the the fruit growers and other commod oile" there may be some hidden Isabella County Farm Bureau. In ity organizations, assisted by the danger behind the rock of Indiffer- addition to being able to tell his Michigan State Farm Bureau, have

Michigan Farm Bureau Rally Day All Over Michigan-April 3, 1929-Uniform Program for Farm Bureau Rally Day (Quarterly Forum) OBJECT

To increase interest in all phases of Farm Bureau activities and plan a program in each Farm Bureau County of the State.

PROGRAM

- 10:00 (Prompt) Objects of Meeting-County Farm Bureau President. Reading of message from president Michigan State Farm Bureau-Secretary.
- 10:10 Special entertainment feature (Pictures, music, etc.)
- 10:30 Report of County Extension Board's Recommendations for 1929 program of each County Farm Bureau-President and Secretary. 11:00 In what way could our County Farm Bureau better serve the



State Quite Sure to Get Traffic Expert. Two Plans Proposed

While the administration is seek ng to create a traffic division in the utilities commission, the Michigan Fruit Growers, Inc., the Michigan Potato Growers' Exchange and other commodity organizations are very much interested in securing legislation which will bring assist ance from the state to the farmers organizations in securing relief from burdensome freight rates and other transportation charges.

A bill has gone into the House seeking to revamp the public utilities commission by making it a three man body rather than to have fiv members as at present, the plan be ing to have a traffic expert employe

enactment of this proposed measure cease to exist and the Governor will commission specified in the bill.

Seeking to get the traffic divisio

ence; a Niagara over which, when story with a pen and paper, Mr. Get-once you plunge, there is no chance chel is a firm supporter of his Farm drafted which is to be introduced in Bureau organization, in Isabella the Senate the first of the week. While the Governor has express

himself as being not in favor of having the traffic head under the de partment of agriculture, he has, however, expressed himself as recognizing the need of a traffic division

somewhere and his thought was that the utilities commission should be the body to handle traffic matters because of the close relationship between traffic problems and other work of the commission.

Regardless of where the traffic division is finally established, the utilities commission is to undergo the revamping anyway, according to the governor's indicated attitude.



State Aid For Roads Not In Trunkline System Is Principal Involved In Measure That Agricultural Leaders Say Should Be Given Favorable Support.

Action is being demanded by Michigan farmers to get relief from the state in the maintenance of the township roads. This Legislature is going to find it difficult to pass by the question of highway legislation, if the voice of the farmer is heeded at all. Representatives from about 50 counties embracing the section of Michigan where by far the greatest part of all vehicular traffic is carried on, demonstrated, a week ago, at a series of district meetings, that something must be done before the Legislature adjourns to provide a means of improving conditions on the highways of the state which are not included in the trunkline systems.

Petitions were being circulated at the close of the week and hundreds of communications sent, impressing upon the legislators the imminence of the situation which the farmers seek to have remedied.

Effort has been centered on getting favorable action in the House of Representatives on the township road measure, introduced by Rep. James Thomson, of Jackson, as House Bill No. 284. The farmers of the state are requesting the House committee on roads to report out this bill, which is being held in committee with several other highway measures.

To help Farm Bureau members interpret the Thomson bill, the sections of the measure have been taken up, one by one, in the following article in which an explanation of each section is carried.

Pool Wool

Plans are under way to car-

wishing to receive sacks can

obtain them by addressing the

wool department of the State

Farm Bureau at the headquar-

Cedar street, Lansing.

STATE TO INSPECT

pooling wool.

ters of the organization, 221 N.

looks like a good year for

From every indication 1929

CHICKEN INDUSTRY

Licensing of Chick

Hatcheries

Good Year To



Sec. 1. A sum of money equal to one-third of the amount deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the state highway fund under the provisions of Act No. 150 of the Public Acts of 1927, is hereby appropriated from the state highway fund for six months beginning July 1, 1930, and ending December 31, 1980, and for

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Farm Bureau Furnished Michigan Members

Arrangements have recently been pleted to have the Bureau Farmthe official publication of the erican Farm Bureau Federation, iled to paid up Michigan Farm reau members, starting with the il edition. This will bring to each month a schedule of the ncipal activities of the American m Bureau Federation, with ediial comment by the officials, a cussion of national legislation, icles by some of the best writers the country on trends in agricule and organization, in fact, the ceau Farmer covers the whole ad field of organized agriculture n a national standpoint. " This lication, with our Farm Bureau vs treating subjects of local and te interest, will give our members complete picture of the developnts in our Farm Bureau organiza-

by we shall be glad to know how littles of better graded stock from like our national magazine.

ever, every bit of help that can be given this bill by the individual farmer, in the way of correspondence with members of the Senate, urging passage of the measure, will help greatly in overcoming any obstacles that may arise and which cannot be forseen at this time.

The Michigan Potato Growers' Exchange, supported by its local organizations and prominent growers have worked diligently to get this measure through the House, and in so doing are performing a real service for the potato growers.

At the meeting of the State Farm Bureau board of directors March 15, the following resolution was passed: TO MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLA-TURE:

The Board of Directors of the Michigan State Farm Bureau, in session March 15, 1929, wishes to reaffirm the support of the Farm Bureau, of House Bill No. 157 providing for the more effective grading of market potatoes.

The enactment of this measure will greatly benefit both producer and consumer. Under present conditions, not only do ungraded, poor quality potatoes lower the market value of high quality, well graded Michigan stock, but deprives the consumer of a dependable and constant source of supply of high quality potatoes. The lack of a proper potato grading law is resulting in Michigan consumers, particularly in the

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Final Notice! on Coupon Books

Every paid-up Farm Bureau member should mail his filled-in and completed Patronage Dividend Coupon Book coupons up to March 1, 1929, to the Treasurer of the Michigan State Farm Bureau, 221 North Cedar street, Lansing, Michigan, at once for auditing and valuation.

April 6 is the last date that books will be received for valuation. At the close of business that day the books will be closed.

Don't forget to mail your coupon book, showing the weights or quantities of the various Farm Bureau commodities purchased, and properly validated by your local Farm Bureau distributor. Do not include coupons covering business since March 1, 1929.

> Michigan State Farm Bureau Lansing, Michigan

members? Discussions.

Which of these shall we aim to do in 1929? Discussions:

How shall we get these plans under way? Discussions:

12:00 Luncheon.

- 1:00 Special entertainment feature.
- 1:15 Farm Bureau questions asked and answered. (Leaders to ask questions for persons in audience to answer.)
- Our township road problem and legislation-Local Speaker. 2:30 How shall we build our membership in 1929?
- Discussions: 3:00 Adoption of plans from above suggestions.
- Discussions:

The Thomson Bill

WILL make better township roads possible;

- WILL reduce township road taxes in some townships;
- WILL permit elimination of township road taxes in other townships; WILL NOT increase taxes on anyone;
- WILL NOT take township roads out of hands of township people; WILL NOT compel townships to abolish office of township highway commissioner;

WILL NOT place township roads under control of the state.

- Beginning July 1, 1930, money equal to one-third of gas tax to be returned to counties for township roads.
- Said money to be spent on township roads under mutual agreement between county road department and township boards. No work can be done by county with these funds until township has agreed both as to what shall be done and where.
- Money equitably apportioned to counties as follows: Two-thirds to be apportioned on basis of mileage of open roads in each township; one-third on basis of area of each township. It thus meets needs of both heavy mileage, thickly populated southern counties, and small mileage, sparsely populated northern counties.
- This money for improvement of township roads automotically increases as total proceeds of gas tax increase. Gives township roads benefit of gas tax paid by extra tourist trade.
- State and U. S. trunk line highways and streets in incorporated villages and cities not included in the benefits of this bill. Both county and township roads are included.
- Gives special attention to post roads.
- Approved and sponsored by Annual Meeting Michigan State Farm Bureau. Bill now in House Committee on Roads and Bridges. Write or wire your State Senator and Representative Immediately urging him to use best influence to get same reported out and enacted. PLEASE ACT NOW.

Imlay City Co-Op. to **Dispose of Property**

Members of the Imlay City Farmers Co-operative Association, at the annual meeting held recently, voted to offer the property of the association for sale, including a store build-

ing and property in Imlay City. Fifty-four members attended the meeting and elected the following of-

Warner, president; Burt Harrington, secretary and James Lee, Albert white diarrhea of chickens, fowl Twice in recent years his paintings nineties has no business making Provided, that if for any reason, any Bade and Philo Walker, members of cholera, roup or diphtheria chicken have hung in international exhibi- fun of a refrigerator finished in county road commission should fail the board of directors. pox, and blackhead of turkeys.

Measure in Each House of Legislature Seeks to Check Clean-up

Michigan's compulstory clean-up law, regarding the European corn borer, is to be repealed if the Senate and the Governor act on a House measure as the House has done during the past week in passing a bill to repeal the Horton corn borer law of 1927.

The Farm Bureau Board of Directors, in session March 15, by resolution urged the House to repeal the law which has made it compulsory for the farmer to clean-up his corn fields. The board's action was taken in view of the fact that Congress again failed to provide funds this year for compensating the farmer

for the extra labor involved in cleanup work. The bill was in the hands two measures,--one in the House of tax will increase more rapidly in the of the agricultural committee of the Representatives, and one in the Sen- future than the weight tax, on ac-House at the time the Farm Bureau ate; the first, a measure to regulate count of the increased mileage per board met and made its appearance the selling of eggs by setting up vehicle, the increased tourist traffic on the floor of the House shortly af- standards of grade, and the other, a and the possibility of further inter the Farm Bureau resolution was bill to license and regulate the baby creases in the rate of the tax. turned in to the committee. chick industry and the selling and

The Senate now has two corn borer measures, one a bill by Senator hatching eggs.

Horton, introduced Friday, March. The hatchery bill in the Senate serted in order to protect the state 28, to give the commissioner of ag- would place all hatcheries under the highway department from loss of riculture authority and power to car- inspection of the State Department funds that have already been taken ry on scouting or policing to deter- of Agriculture. This bill is in the into consideration in making plans mine the extent of infestation, after hands of the Committee on Agricul- for the operation of that department. the 1927 Horton Act is repealed; and ture of the Senate. The egg grading The county rewards amounting to the other is the Morrison Bill, which bill is in the Committee on Agricul- two million dollars per year will be the House has passed, to repeal the ture in the House of Representa- paid up by the time this bill would 1927 Horton Act,

The real purpose of the new Hor- of the Michigan Poultry Improve- ceipts from both gas and weight tax ton measure is to make it possible ment Association and prominent will have been increasing. It is befor federal agents to carry on their poultrymen of the state. investigational work in this state.

Without such an act in force, the federal government could not send State Farm Bureau. C. L. Brody, its present budget. This likelihood scouts or policing officers into Michigan to make investigations. The act appeared at the hearing last Tuesday partment will but retain part of the empowers such agents as the state department of agriculture may desiginspections and provides a penalty Farm Bureau, in session March 28, shortage immediately after the bill urgently requested the agricultural goes into effect.

committee of the House to report out the bill and secure its enact-

exhibition of the associated artists measures.

St. Louis Post-Dispatch: We mauve.

each calendar year thereafter, to the counties, for use in the maintenance and improvement of township roads. subject to the further provisions of this act.

Act No. 150 of 1927, referred to in this section, is commonly known as the gas tax law. The above provision therefore provides for the appropriation of a sum equal to onethird of the gas tax receipts for use on the township roads. The committee which drew up the bill preferred to ask for a fraction of the receipts from the gas tax rather than a fixed sum because it was believed that the gas tax would continue to increase Leading Poultrymen Favor in the future, as it has in the past, and in this way they are providing for a normal growth in the amount of money to be returned for township road purposes. They favored securing this fund from the gas tax Poultrymen of Michigan are rather than from the weight tax bewatching with considerable interest cause of the probability that the gas

The provision of postponing the producing of breeding stock and time when this appropriation will

tives. Both bills have the support go into effect and the volume of re-

lieved therefore, that by July, 1930, Both measures were approved at the highway department will suffer the annual meeting of the Michigan no loss in funds as compared with secretary of the State Farm Bureau, will be greatly increased if that deevening and spoke in support of the increase which will come to it during egg grading bill. Also, the legisla- the next eighteen months to be used tive committee of the Michigan State in meeting a possible temporary

Report Mileage

Sec. 2. On or before January 1, All farmers interested in better 1931, and annually thereafter, the John Kane of Pittsburgh, Pa., who protection from disease and poor county road commission of each paints houses and box cars for a stock in baby chicks, and in increas- county shall report to the state highliving but turns to the brush and ing their income on market eggs. way commissioner, for each townpalette for pleasure, on February should communicate immediately ship in their county, the total mile-14th, was awarded the Carnegie with their Senators and Represen- age of open roads, exclusive of state Institute prize in the 19th annual tatives, urging support of these and United States trunk line highways and exclusive of streets in incor-

porated citics and villages, said reports to be made upon forms and (Continued on page two),



CURES ARE FAKES

"There are no known drug remedies for contagious abortion in cattle, hog cholera, influenza of hogs, horses and of Pittsburgh.

other animals, tuberculosis of cattle Mr. Kane had passed his 60th ficers for the ensuing year: Ray and poultry, distemper of dogs, cats milestone in life before he achieved think, too, that a generation that subject to regulations provided by and foxes, heaves of horses, bacillary his ambition of painting pictures. endured the wall paper of the late the state highway commissioner: tions.

nate to enter upon any lands to make for interference with their work.

Painter of Box Cars Wins Award For Art Ment.

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is: two-thirds of this fund is to be ment of rural post roads while this NASHVILLE CO-OP act is in force, it shall be the duty age of the open roads in each town- of the state highway commissioner, ship. The method of determining as soon thereafter as possible, to isopen road mileage is explained in sue such regulations concerning the section 2. The state highway com- use or management of the funds remissioner is given authority to pres- ceived by the counties under the procribe forms and regulations for re- visions of section 3 of this act, as are porting mileage of open roads so necessary to secure for each township that he will be able to make sure the maximum benefit from such fed- Business Development Calls that the results obtained are sub eral law which it is possible to obstantially uniform. It was realized tain within the limits of the sum of by the committee that the varying money to be spent, in each township conditions in the counties might under the provision of section 4 of make it necessary for a different in- this act, and it shall be the duty of terpretation of the physical features all county and township officers to of a road to be made in various see- comply with said regulations in se tions of the state. The whole mat- far as is consistent, with the laws o ter is left with the state highway this state and the laws of the United commissioner in the belief that that, States.

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officer is best qualified to secure an The provision of section 5 is to in equitable basis of determining the sure that each township will receive the greatest possible benefit from mileage of open roads. State and United States trunk line any road legislation which may be highways were left out of considera- passed by the Federal government tion in determining road mileage be- Unless this bill is passed with sec cause they are in no way an expense tion 5 included there will, at all purchased, according to instructions to the township through which they times, be the danger that Federa! of the stockholders, and the present run. Streets in incorporated vil- money, which might otherwise have lages were also eliminated in the be- been available, will be lost to the into it, after remodelling the interior. lief that the municipalities should state through lack of legislation in not be considered in determining the Michigan, setting up the proper ma- will include a drier which will be amount of money to be spent on chinery for taking advantage of the township roads outside the corpor- Federal act. The importance of this milk for market in powdered form ate limits. County roads are, how- provision may be judged from the ever, included in the milage. This fact that the State has already lost plant may also be done, in addition to arrangement was considered neces- millions of dollars through failure sary by the committee in order to of our state inheritance tax law to ing sent to the plant. leave the county and township offi- include suitable provisions for takcials as nearly as possible in the ing advantage of favorable federal same position in which they now find legislation on that subject. If a secthemselves with regard to the taking tion similar to this one had been in over of township road into the coun- cluded in some form in our state in ty system. It was found that in some heritance tax law, money which has sections there is a strong desire to actually been paid to the Federal have all township roads put into the government would have been paid county system while in other sec- to the state and our taxpayers tions there is much opposition to this would not have lost a cent in the policy. If county roads were not process. considered those counties where Divide Weight Tax township roads were taken in to the

county system would be penalized by fifty per cent of the total weight tax a reduction in the amount of state collected under the provisions of Act themselves in favor of sending here aid which they would receive as they No. 302 of the Public Acts of 1915, when arrangements could be made to completed the work. On the other as amended, is hereby appropriated accept it. hand, the provision has been retain- from the state highway fund for the ed requiring that the entire sum be calendar year ending December spent on township roads so that there thirty-first, nineteen twenty-nine, is no particular encouragement for and for each calendar year thereafthe county to take over township ter, and shall belong to the several roads in order to obtain the funds appropriated by this bill.

Use Township Area

The remaining third of the fund county road commissions; sevenis to be appropriated on the basis of eighths of said sum appropriated by and area would give substantial pecially heavy traffic over their under the provisions of said Act No. section of the country. ing near the city, and carrying estownship roads, will receive some ad- 302 of the Public Acts of 1915, as these are the townships which are to effect, or as soon thereafter as community. most seriously in need of assistance. possible, the amounts received from

with trunk **CREAMERY TO BUY** SITE & EQUIPMENT

For Plant Expansion To Serve Trade

The Nashville Co-Operative Creamry association of Nashville, has taken one of the most progressive steps in the history of the institution when its stockholders, meeting in a called session at the Nashville club auditor ium, voted to purchase a new site for the creamery, and install enough additional equipment to take care o whole milk. The building known as the M. B. Brooks apple dryer will be office and equipment will be moved Additional equipment to be installed used to dry buttermilk or skimmed Separation of sweet cream at the churning butter from cream now be-

Will G. Hyde is president of the asociation, T. J. Mason, secretary, and

C. W. Pennock is manager. Some of the stockholders and prospective patrons are sending whole milk to other nearby markets, thereby doing away with the necessity of separating. Most of these farmers could be induced to send their whole milk

new arrangement, was the contention of many present at the meeting. In Sec. 6. A sum of money equal to fact, several who have been sending their whole milk elsewhere expressed

After considerable discussion of the

proposed changes to be made, a vote was taken among the farmers on whether to purchase machinery for handling whole milk. This question counties of the state to be applied to the building, improvement and 93 to 46 vote. The second questionmaintenance of highways by the that of purchasing the new site, on this section shall be paid to the sev- at \$1,700, carried by a vote of 97 to believed that the use of both mileage cral county treasurers in proportion three, giving the board of directors ing clothes to the management of a to the amount of said weight tax re- power to proceed in transacting such equality to all townships. Those ly- ceived from the owners of registered deals as will give them one of the performed by the champions. vehicles within the several counties most up-to-date creameries in this

The Nashville creamery is one of ditional compensation equal to the amended; the remaining one-eighth the strongest institutions in this seccorrect mileage which they have of said sum shall be paid to the sev- tion of the state, having last year paid Rock; fourth year, Marguerite Knaupf tached, will guarantee these districts been compelled to construct. On the eral county treasurers as follows; out considerably more than a quarter. other hand, townships in thinly set- one eighty-third to the county treas- of a million dollars to farmers for tled sections where very few roads urers as follows: one eighty-third to dairy produce. Officials have been have been opened, will receive a considerably larger sum through the The secretary of state shall certify have dealt fairly with their stockholdconsideration of area than they to the auditor general at the end of ers and the public and the institution otherwise would. In many instances the other this act comes in- is highly prized as an asset to the and Laurel Painter of McMillan, won the school tax situation.

Insurance Agents To Set New Mark

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One of the things prominently noted in all of these meetings was the enthusiastic way in which the agents spoke of the great benefit brought to Michigan farmers by the setting up of the Farm Bureau Insurance department and the arrangement with the State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance company whereby we are able to offer this service to folks in our state. We find among our insurance agent force the finest kind of Farm Bureau boosters.

Spring New Idea

In districts No. 1 and No. 2, at the meetings at Kalamazoo and In districts No. 1 and No. 3, an awarding prizes was set up by district agents, Gibbens and Brown. Prizes were given to the agents' wives, that is, the prize was awarded to the wife of the agent bringing the most applications to the meeting in each case. This would seem to be putting considerable pressure on the men, but anyway it was worth it. We don't know how general this practice will become, but B. D. Bishop brought nineteen applications to the Kalamazoo meeting and J. F. Carnes brought twenty-one applications to the Albion meeting. There were several close seconds in each case.

From the spirit shown by the agents and their wives at these meetings and the statements made at some of them regarding the quota of business they would produce during the year it would seem that our quota written for Michigan would be much larger than the one already promised to the company.

At the meetings at each place, assistance was given by Alfred Bentall, director of insurance for the State Farm Bureau.

District No. 3 is at present on top as to production for the current year and a near race is being staged between Districts No. 1, No. 2, and No. 5 for the second place. Every indication in our insurance work points to a very successful year with a much largely increased production.

Legislation SET CLUB RECORD FOR STATE IN '28 Only Five Counties Had No 4-H Club During The

Past 12 Months

A record number of 4-H clubs and total membership of 19,022 boys and girls enrolled in those clubs in Michigan during the past year is reported by the state club leader.

All sections of Michigan are represented by the 36 state club champions whose names have been announced by was decided in the affirmative by a the State club leader, A. G. Kettunen. Each of the champions is awarded a scholarship at Michigan state colwhich the association holds an option lege by the State Board of Agricul- help the school districts of other ture. Many kinds of work, from mak- counties, receiving only a comparaherd of dairy cattle, were successfully for a very few of its school districts.

The clothing champions are: first year, Florence Kober of Conklin; called poor school districts were to second year, Anna Michaud of Wells; have been getting for the past two third year, Lillian Begeman of Flat years and, with the tax clause atof Rudyard; and fifth year, Isabelle what the legislature intended they McKellar of Freeland.

Neuchterein of Frankenmuth; Alvin turned down in the House because Lewis of Harris; Clinton Corwin of the sentiment is quite favorable there Coldwater; Will Black of Prescott, to do as much as possible to relieve handicraft championships. The winners in the dairy projects are: Ono be under way to bring onto the state Nixon of Grand Marais; Max Ross of tax rolls certain exempted proper Ypsilanti; Victor Weller of Rockford, ties, such as the Y. M. C. A. proper and Harold Strange of Grand Ledge. where these institutions operate in a Championships in livestock production went to: Arno Weiss, Port Hope;

(Continued from page one) The state administration seems fairly set to relieve the Michigan Un. ion, by absorbing the outstanding bonded indebtedness on the Union Memorial building at State College. State College would receive \$850,-000 in the next four years under the eight-tenths mill tax measure just introduced in the House to raise funds for institutional building during the ensuing four years. Senator Turner's bill to set aside two million dollars a year for poor

school districts, that is, school districts with more than 10 mills tax, has gone through the senate unchanged, carrying a tax clause. Wayne county claims to be charged with about \$1,100,000 of this levy to tively small amount of the total levy The Turner measure, in effect, is

a doubling of the amount that the soshould get, two years ago. There is

John Studebaker of Jones; Arnold little danger of the measure being

In the House, a move appears to ties and other societies, especially business way, such as competing with cafeterias, hotels and other

Senator Howell's bill, to make a s

called uniform traffic law operative

in Michigan, has gone through th

Senate. This provides for renewal

legitimate husiness concerns.

No funds are to be distributed to cities and incorporated villages under the provisions of this bill. There are practically no cities and very **HOUSE COMMITTEE** few villages which are not already ing quarter; the auditor general shall thereupon draw his warrant on line system of highways. At least the state treasurer for such amounts John P. Rorick, 403 Toledo St. 90 per cent of the trunk line traffic as are due the said counties under Adrian, Lenawee county, chairman; the provisions of this section. H. Earl McNitt, Cadillac, R. F. D. Section 6 is. in effect, a restate-Wexford and Benzie counties; Sheldistricts that any large part of the ment of the present law with regard don Coleman, Lawton, Van Buren to the distribution of weight tax, county; William C. Birk, Baraga, money among thescounties. This re- Ontonagon, Baraga, Keweenaw coun statement was considered advisable ties; John Dykstra, 821 Grand Ave. in order to eliminate the ambigui- | Muskegon, Muskegon county; Joseph ties and omissions in the present Green, Crystal Falls, Iron county law. The harmful effects upon the Gus Braun, Elkton, Huron county trunk line mileage within their bor- state and the counties of a decision James E. Lawson, 1212 Washington setting aside the present law would Ave., Royal Oak, Oakland county, be so great that the passage of a and Luther E. Hall, Ionia, Ionia more accurate statement seems to be county. highly advisable. Attention is also If you have no local representacalled to the fact-that section 6, as tive on the above committee, write a Harvard; and Catherine Hakes of AI- the highways, where it is being Sec. 4. All sums of money receiv- stated in this bill, provides for a letter to Mr. Rorick, the chairman at the House of Representatives provisions of section three of this ties, thus adopting the terms of a State Capitol, Lansing, Michigan act shall be subject to the control of former weight tax, law which proved Tell him to report out the Thomp- garet Connon of Hillman. son road bill because the farmer Sec. 7. The sums of money hereneed relief on township roads. Write your own representativ even though he is not a member of the road committee. You must get after your representatives if you expect to get any action on highway legislation. Write a letter or a postal card. Better address you letters to the representatives at House of Representatives, State Capitol, Lan- portance to the hundreds of co-op-

to their own institution under the

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Editorials

MICHIGAN MUST SAVE HER BEET ACREAGE

Every Michigan farmer should be as much interested as the sugar beet grower in the maintenance of a normal beet acreage as a lowered acreage will mean more land devoted to general crops.

Beet soils, while especially adapted to the production of that crop, will return good yields of most crops grown in the State. The average acreage planted to beets in Michigan is 115,000 acres.

The guaranteed contract price offered by the factories this year is about the highest in the history of the industry, and the contracts contain a liberal bonus clause. The manufacturers are attempting to assure themselves of a tonnage of beets which will keep all of the Michigan factories busy throughout the sugar season.

Beets are normally one of the most profitable field crops and a shift to other crops by Michigan farmers would remove this chance for profit and would perhaps add to the marketing problems which face all growers of farm produce.

FARMERS REQUEST **ACTION ON TOWNSHIP** ROAD LEGISLATION

(Continued from page one)

to make a return of mileage of open August 15, 1931, and on or before roads for any township or townships, the same dates in each year thereor if such returns are found by the after, the sum of money allocated to to make any and all corrections and the county treasurer of each county additions to the reports by this sec- the sum allocated to that county, tion required as he shall deem neces- itemized by townships; immediately in each township.

state highway commissioner to de- state treasurer for such amounts as ships, its share of the fund appro- visions of this section. priated to the counties for use on Section 2 and section 3 provide a

of open roads in each township as determined under the provisions of section two of this act; the state highway commissioner shall certify to the auditor general on or before February 15, 1931, and on or before

state highway commissioner to be each county under the provisions of incorrect, he shall have power to this section, and he shall certify to sary in order to cause said reports to upon receiving the certification of the show the true mileage of open roads state highway commissioner as provided by this section, the auditor gen-

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the eral shall draw his warrants on the termine for each county, by town- are due each county under the pro- legality. It is, of course, true that

township roads under the provisions method of distributing the fund after of section 1 of this act, by allocating it is appropriated. The money would said fund among all townships, one- go to the townships in a way which third in proportion to the total land the committee, after careful study, area of each township, and two- believed would give the greatest United States enacts a law providing thirds in proportion to the mileage measure of justice to all. The plan funds to be used for the improve- we had to "ball your story up so". range of field conditions,

the state today originates in the cities or outside the state. It is only in rural population is cut off from enjoying these roads for a considerable proportion of each year. As the cities are the principal beneficiaries of the state system now, and as they already receive \$2,000 per mile for ders, it is considered equitable to use the funds provided in this bill for the benefit of the townships.

Money To Counties

ed by the several counties under the quarterly settlement with the counthe county road commission of each quite satisfactory to county officials. county, to be used for the building, improvement and maintenance of in appropriated to the counties for township roads, with especial consid- use on local roads shall be in lieu of eration for post roads; Provided, the sums heretofore appropriated That all sums of money received by from the state highway fund under the counties under the provisions of the provisions of subsection (c) of section 3 of this act must be spent in section 19 of Act No. 150 of the Pubthe township to which they are al- lic Acts of 1927, and in lieu of the located by the state highway commis- specific sum of six million dollars sioner, and must be used for pur- which heretofore has been returned poses and according to plans mu- to the county treasurers of the sevtually agreed upon by the county eral counties under the provisions of road commissions and the township section 34 of Act No. 302 of the Pub board of the township in which the lic Acts of 1915, as amended. money is to be spent.

The funds provided by this bill are place the old weight tax law in favto be definitely appropriated for the or of the new statement as included use of each township although the in section 6 money is to be retained by the county road commission to be used only consistent with this act are hereby for such purposes as are mutually repealed. agreed upon by the county road com-

missions and the township boards. Each township, therefore, retains a large measure of control over the roads within its boundaries. No work can be done by the county with these funds until the township has agreed both as to what shall be done and where

The provision in section 4 referring especially to post roads, if enacted into law, will show the intention of the Legislature that post roads shall be given first consideration in the use of these funds and yet the provision is so worded that, if it is found absolutely necessary to use some of these funds upon roads which are not post roads, that

in most instances it will be the first desire of the townships to improve post roads.

Looking Ahead

Sec. 5. If the congress of the Business Man."

FRUIT RINSED FOR The effect of section 7 is to dis-

> the latter part of January and the first part of February, this year, 184 Jackson; Henry Curtis, Cadillac; cars of western apples which were in Mrs. Edith Wagar, Carleton; W. W. storage in five of the principal mar Billings, Davison; V. F. Gormely, kets, Chicago, Kansas City, St. Louis Newberry; John W. Goodwine, Mar-Philadelphia, and New York, were lette; M. R. Shisler, Caledonia; inspected. Of these lots, 113 or 73. Chas. A. Woodruff, Hastinngs; per cent showed no evidences of de-D. Buskirk, Paw Paw, and M. eay whatever and 3 lots or less than McPherson, Lowell. per cent showed injury which

Excursions To Run It is found evident that there is no langer of injury from the dilute solu-"A Broader Rural Life". Eugene ion of hydrochloric acid used in Betz, a former Monroe county farm washing the fruit, provided it is boy, but now officially connected handled with reasonable care. This with one of the largest paper com panies of the world, (located at Monroe), spoke on "The Farmer as

George Wellington of Springport; Louie C. Webb of Nashville; Victor A. Sanborn of Morenci; Dan.Gordon of Saline: and Hollis Carr of Saline. Thomas Detwiler of Chesaning; Tryne Salo of Ironwood; and Clayton of drivers' licenses every three years H. Blackmer of Chesaning, were the and requires that the parent of Championship guardian of minors under eighteen pest poultrymen. awards in crop production were given years of age must sign application o: Josephine Fowler of Mayville; for operators' licenses and that they William Tullock of Omer; Peter Ra- become jointly responsible with the dak of Milan; Cleo Loyd of St. driver in case of injury or damage Charles; and Francis Schell of Battle resulting from operation of the mo Creek.

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GROWERS EXCHANGE

(Continued from page one)

Minnesota and other states instead

This measure is of the utmost im-

Exchange

This measure was also endorsed

ast month by the annual meeting

able consideration and support

of the state.

AIDS LEGISLATION

tor vehicle by the minor where negli-Lydia Altman of Rudyard; Alice gence is the cause of the injury of Roberts of Ypsilanti; Ruth Gingell of damage.

Johannesburg; Elberta Holmden of Operation of farm machinery on ion, won championships in canning, temporarily moved from one place of The winners in food study were Anna- operation to another, would not belle McKellar of Freeland, and Mar- come under provisions of this meas-

comprises

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The minimum of 14 years for drivers is maintained under the terms of the Howell measure. Chauffeurs must be at least 18 years of age.

Senator Horton's milk bill has had some rough sliding on the edges but most of the obstacles seem to have been worn away to the point where pasteurization was the topic for special public hearing when the sing, rather than at their home ad- erative marketing associations of the in the Senate, this week. The House measure was up on general orders state and to the Michigan Potato bill to license and bond milk deal Grower's Exchange in their efforts ers, the bill introduced by Represen to improve the quality of Michigan tative McBride, remains in commit potatoes and bring added returns to tee, awaiting outcome of the bigger bill in the Senate, the Horton bill.

> **Beet Growers Urged** To Use Fertilizers

Michigan sugar beet growers are to secure the increased profits which We respectfully urge your favor- result from the use of such plant foods, according to a statement by members of the soils department at

Directors present: M. L. Noon, Michigan State College. The department advises the use o greater amounts of fertilizer than have commonly been applied to beets by Michigan farmers. Beets respond very readily to increased amounts of plant food, and, as the price of the beets is determined in advance, increases in tonnage resul in a lessened cost per ton of beets, and a consequent increase in profit.

Up To Isle Royale **Congress** Is Given Thousands of Bills

There were more than 17,000 bills with satisfactory results to approxi- during the last two weeks of July sentatives at Washington and almost and the first two weeks in August. 6,000 in the Senate during the past tions.

the farmer. The Michigan potato SPRAY KEEPS WELL Grower's 12,000 of the leading potato growers Washing apples and pears with cidulated water, as practiced in the of Michigan State Farm Bureau,

Sec. 8. All acts or parts of acts in-

dresses.

This Is Better We got type together in poo fashion last issue so that, in our story about activities in Monroe storage. county, we had Rev. W. A. Cutler

Pacific Northwest to remove spray comprised of delegates from fifty of residue, apparently does not injure the leading agricultural counties of mercial fertilizer on their crop and survey recently made of apples in In this survey, which was made in this measure. connected with a paper mill while Eugene Betz, who should have been

mentioned as connected with the pa per concern, was left out of the pic ture entirely. Now, the paper company didn't object to having preacher working for them nor the preacher hasn't said anything about working at the mill but the "neigh bors did talk something awful" so w

wish to correct our statements. might be attributed to washing. At the Monroe County Farm Bu reau banquet, Rev. Cutler spoke on

This summer, for the first time, a Copper Harbor resident is fitting out a powerful motor launch that will

method of cleansing was applied make excursion trips to Isle Royale introduced in the House of Repremately 30,000 cars of apples and



FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 1929

BECOME PERMANENT

THRU PENDING LAW

REGISTRATION TO



Sees Oppostunity to Prevent Fraud

By Mrs. Edith M. Wagar,

When equal suffrage was the topic discussion in this country the means of better and cleaner ethods of government and while we hear the results metimes now that nd home of the brave, who are with disease. arnestly and conscientiously strivng to correct some of the mistakes nd improve some of the methods

w used. At present the League of Women ters of Michigan is sponsoring a before our Legislature regarding manent registration of voters. rural folks of the state do not very much attention to registrabecause we are known thruout r township or polling precinct as permanent resident and when once perly registered but little attenn is paid to that part of one's ting privilege so long as one does move or die. But in the cities rapidly changing towns and urban districts it is a far differmatter and it is the total result such conditions that should con- Farm Bureau Urges Stricter

rg all of us. The bill in the gislature provides for one registrafor life except upon change of dence or otherwise disqualid. In case of moving away a transmay be made in writing. This SEEK AID FOR ROADS tainly would be of great convence to the city voter for we hear and read about long lines of ple waiting every so often to reister that they may be allowed to e at the next election. When once istered, identification at the polls by signature just the same as lification is made at one's bank. he lists are corrected and kept up date by checking with authentic th reports and other reliable innation and by cancellation for

ire to vote for two years. ermanent Registration Operative ermanent registration is now in ation in sixteen states and others em. Many large cities, such as on, Milwaukee, Omaha and St. il, have used the system success-

for several years and, thru the St. Lawrence waterway, tubercucomplete satisfaction, it has losis eradication and township roads, a general custom were passed by the farm bureau as bushel, and 40 bushels contains as ughout their respective states. follows: t only does it offer greater con-"Expressing our belief that in oats. ence to the voter, especially those comes are possible because of govities, but it is a means of prevent- ernment protection and that they frauds as well as being far more are a more certain index of ability comical, the latter item being to pay the costs of government than ething all are looking for. are real and visible personal property is startling in the extreme when valuations; resolved that we call upchceks up on some of the prac- on the state legislature now in session for their utmost efforts to within our state. When one suburb was annexed to enact legislation of this kind." oit it was found, thru the report "Whereas we find practically all he election commission that al- of the county served by livestock 1300 names were on the ten year shipping associations, and whereas poll list, only 300 voters stil! we find a large amount of favorable there. And in another small city sentiment for the organization of the state, 8% of the presidential one in the territory around Martion ballot was cast by "absent shall, we recommend the calling of ers", a great many of whom no a meeting for such purpose and as early as the ground can be properger had any signs of residence pledge our support to the same." ly fitted. e or any apparent interest in the "We also recommend that some n. Many instances have been found way be settled upon for handling **REALIZE A PROFIT** e women are registered under seeds and other articles obtainable married and maiden names. through the service department of the Would Eliminate Unqualified Michigan State Farm Bureau." hese loose methods were correct-We believe the control of agrithere would be no opportunity for culture surpluses is the dominant over enthusiastic voter to be economics question which faces us Barry Farmer Learns That



ly grown in Michigan. These seed seed grains, according to the statestocks have been built up from single tuber selections and as many gan State College. as 1,000 bushels of the disease free strains are now available for incease.

given in favor of such a fields where potatoes are grown. proportionately dcereased quantities reason structures will of the chemical are needed. ight and just, but that it might be carry the diseases from infected plants to healthy ones.

estioned along the latter line, we ease free seed which will be availomen all over this land of the free the grower's hands becomes infected blanket for four hours, and then for a large number of co-operative

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LOSSES ON GRAIN SHIPMENTS AMOUNT

Spread of Diseases

The annual tax levied by smut on These specialists in plant diseases can be "stricken from the tax rolls" the Michigan oat and barley crops have spent six years in building up and payment avoided if farmers will a strain of disease-free stock of spend a little time and a few cents three varieties of potatoes common- for chemicals to be used in treating

> ment of plant pathologists at Michi-.The treatment recommended for oats is the one known as the formal-

dehyde spray method in which one It is not possible to keep potatoes pint of formaldehyde will kill the large industrial cities can boast a betfree from the virus diseases unless smut present on 50 bushels of seed they are kept isolated from other grain. For smaller amounts of grain, Sparta. ter livestock shipping record than Rapids, a city of 160,000 or more con-

The formaldehyde is placed in a sumers, yet the Sparta Co-operative small hand sprayer and is sprayed association has shipped 6,204 head of The intention of the plant patholo- upon the oats as they are shoveled livestock to Detroit during the past gist is to maintain a supply of dis- over and over. After the oats are year. All its shipments-84 carssprayed, they should be shoveled in- were sold through the Michigan Livethere are groups of able for increase when the seed in to a heap, covered with a canvas or stock exchange, central sales agency

spread out for a thorough airing. shipping associations, The oats should be sown as soon as been distributed for increase are, possible after they are aired.

The grain drill and the sacks in fied as follows: Cattle, 453; hogs, Irish Cobblers. All available seed which the oats will be placed should 1,247; sheep and lambs, 2,234; yeal for 1929 has been distributed but be disinfected with a formaldehyde calves, 2,270. The total weight of all growers who are interested in get- solution made by adding two table- animals at terminal markets was ting some of this stock for 1930 spoonfuls of the chemical to a pail of 1,242,345 pounds, an increase of 81,should write to J. E. Kotila, botany water. The sacks may be soaked in 435 pounds over the previous year. department, Michigan State College. the solution and it may be poured Gross sales were \$138,007.69, rep-

through the drill. resenting an increase of \$13,025.23 For the treatment of smut, scab, over the preceding year. and stripe of barley the college plant In order to reach the Detroit marpathologists recommend the use of ket all shipments passed through

organic mercury compounds accord- Grand Rapids. ing to the directions of their manu-

facturers. AT ANNUAL MEET **MICHIGAN FARMERS**

> Special Markets Help Keep Price Levels Up On

> > This Grain

Recommend Other Legislalation and Organization of Shipping Association

Members of the Calhoun County Farm Bureau, at their annual meetng held at Brooks' Memorial Methodist church in Marshall went on record as reaffirming their belief in the "ultimate triumph of the eighteenth amendment" and that the country's welfare depends upon its adequate enforcement, also as requesting the state legislature to enact contemplating adoption of the laws to "further control this menace."

varieties. Six other resolutions concerning income tax, local shipping associations, agriculture surplus legislation,



The Square Deal Co-operative Association of Charlotte, managed by East Lansing, Mar. 29-The acreage P. M. Granger and John May, had of barley which is grow on Michigan about one hundred of their farmer farms is rapidly increasing and specmembers at the Detroit stock yards

ial markets maintain a good price on Wednesday, Mar. 13, as guests of level on the grain produced, accordthe Michigan Live Stock Exchange. ing to a statement by members of the In the morning they were shown farm crops department at Michigan through the yards and in the afterstate college. noon they visited the plant of the De-

The popularity of barley has in- troit Packing company. At noon, dinner was served for creased because a large quantity of them at the restaurant in the Exexcellent feed can be grown per acre, change building. it will grow on many soil types, it is Mr. E. A. Beamen of Blissfield.

a good nurse crop for legume seedand J. H. O'Mealey of Hudson, Michings, and new varieties are not so unigan, president and secretary of the pleasant to handle as some of the old Michigan Live Stock Exchange, were on the market and helped entertain

Yields of from 40 to 45 bushels of the crowd. barley are obtained by Michigan farmers and several crops exceeding sociation is one of the largest ship-60 bushels per acre are reported each ping organizations in Michigan. year. Barley weighs 48 pounds to the

MICHIGAN FARM BUREAU NEWS

PICK COMMITTEES FOR SUPERVISORS

Frank L. Dodge, of Lansing, newly chairman; John R. Ferguson, Ingham elected, president of the state associa- county, Haslett; Fred W. Fuller, head means nothing to a woman, complete list of appointments is as tiac. follows:

Legislative committee- William J. Thomas, Kent county, Grand Rapids, chairman; John P. Espie, Clinton county, Eagle; David E. Lord, Ingham county, Lansing; James L. Donaldson, Genesee county, Flint; John M. Bush, Marquette county, Negaunee. Executive committee-John C. Nag le, Wayne county, Detroit, chairman George F. Scott, Oakland county Royal Oaks; W. L. Middlebrook Schoolcraft county, Manistique; Nellie M. McPherson, Kent county, Vergenns; Nel L. Nelson, Muskegon county, Muskegon; Otto R. Garber, Bay county, Bay City.

Resolution committee-E. J. Ellenwood, Menominee county, Menominee, chairman; J. R. Snody, Presque Isle county, Onaway; W. H. Lovejoy, Ingham county, Perry; Sumner G. Horton, Genesee county, Flint; Lucy Lit-Kalamazoo county, Kalamazoo.

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Jackson county, Jackson, chairman; R. P. Quinn, Gobebic county, Ironwood; Charles E. Moon, Berrien county, Niles.

Whitcomb, Wayne county, Detroit, up.

tion of supervisors, has just an- Kent county, Grand Rapids; W. E. stormed his wife. "I don't know of nounced the committees of the as- Culver, Iron county, Iron River; Wil- anything more annoying. sociation for the current year. The lis M. Brewer, Oakland county, Pon-

Use Farm Bureau Seads.

NOT TO HIM

The argument had been all on Mrs. Brown's side for the most of the Program committee-Arthur C. night, and Brown was distinctly fed

"You seem to think a cold in the

Her husband peered over the newspaper he had been endeavoring to read. "No?" he countered, with a rare flash of spirit. "How about the lockjaw?"



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stered in more than one place. at the present time. We also be en nearly 6,000 foreign born resi- lieve this to be a national issue and ts of Detroit were found to have not of concern alone to agriculvoting on first papers or no ture." "We express the hope that ers at all, it seems that the pro- the coming special session of Con-

ed change would bring about a gress will solve this question with from farm woodlots are hard to obner polling list and tend to affect satisfactory results and we request tain but Glen Ingram, a Barry county earlier citizenship desire among that a copy of this resolution be farmer, has kept accounts which show y of our residents not native to forwarded to Representative Con- that his 10 acre woodlot has returned country.

was somewhat of a shock to me Senators Vandenberg and Cousins." earn of so many men of regison age during the last war of the development of the Great which is now in the woodlot.

od who had voted for years in Lakes-St. Lawrence tide water chanse and township elections, who nel and a nearly completion of treaty woodlot was 14,000 board feet of bassface to face with the propo- negotiations between the United wood, whitewood, and red oak in on of having never become a States and Canada."

en after reaching America for a And some of us can even re- islation which contains the prin- 1926; and 2,000 feet in 1927. instances of people not yet ciples embodied in the present law All fuel burned on the farm except ens having been elected to public of tuberculosis eradication, be con- during the past three years was cut tinued."

ese instances were not common, nenever they have been brought tude of the State Farm Bureau, in this stand of timber have furnished sht they have emphasized the and the co-operation of the Rural an average of 100 gallons of syrup. that the election laws are not as Mail Carriers' Association, in their Mr. Ingram rented a nearby woodlot as they should be and also that efforts to cause a portion of the three years ago and has cut his fuel are too many persons willing state highway tax funds, to be di- from those woods since he rented sregard the duty of protecting verted to the improvement of vari- them. allot from fraud and corruption. ous township roads throughout the

Buy Farm Bureau Seeds.

this bill should become a law, counties." t has been so recommended by lection commission appointed by appreciation of voting privileges. It yielded as great a return as any simgovernor, it will be established is thru the results of such methods ilar area on his farm.

communities of the state, June as permanent registration and propall are hoping for cleaner and ions that such corrections will be this practice has killed out the seedaccurate election methods. We made possible.

urged by the state and national rs to encourage a more intellivote, as well as a keener

Feeding experiments at Michigan State college prove that barley may ciation, at Buffalo. be substituted pound for pound in the

ties where the production of corn is partment, Mr. Earl Rea, who was endangered by early frosts, barley formerly connected with the Produccan be used to replace it. While corn ers Commission Association at Kanseemed to slightly excel barley in hog sas City, Missouri. Mr. Rea has had fattening experiments, barley ripens considerable experience in handling early enough so that it can be used to live stock, and is very capable of finish hogs for the early fall market. handling the position. He would be Many Michigan growers seed 12 to very pleased to meet any of the ship-15 pounds of sweet clover with the pers or truckers.

barley, and then plow down the clover the next year. Records at the college 511 indicate that barley should be sown

ON FARM WOODLOT Woodlot Yield Equals Cleared Lands

polity or nu-mans. Pests die butside, away from buildings. So confident are the distributors that Fempto Rat Killer will do as well for you that they offer to send a large \$2.00 Accurate records on the returns from farm woodlots are hard to ob-tain but Glen Ingram, a Barry county farmer, has kept accounts which show that his 10 acre woodlot has returned him an average of \$36.50 an acre for the past 18 years and he has been of-form \$25.60 for the mature timber the past 18 years and he has been of-tain but Glen Ingram, a Barry county farmer, has kept accounts which show that his 10 acre woodlot has returned and the shipment will do as well for you that they offer to send a large \$2.500 by g. (Farm size), for only one dollar, on address to Imperial Laboratories, 1559 Coco Cola building, Kansas City, Mo., and the shipment will be made at once, by C. O. D. mail. If it does not quickly kill these pests your dollar will be cheer-fully refunded. So write today. Accurate records on the returns gressmen Hooper, and United States him an average of \$36.50 an acre for

"Resolved that we hereby approve fered \$2,500 for the mature timber

The lumber obtained from this

1910; 13,000 feet of elm in 1913; 7,000 "Resolved that we insist that leg- feet of basswood in 1918; 27,00 feet in

from the woodlot, as were poles and

"We approve of the present atti- posts used on the farm. Maple trees

The soil on which the timber stands is a good loam and is fairly rolling. Mr. Ingram says that the 10 acres has

He states that he always has paserly conducted primaries and elect- tured the woodlot but now sees that lings and prevented the growth of young trees to replace those which are cut, so he plans to keep all livestock out of the woodlot in the future.

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had ever experienced, the farmers of what they can see in the bag. The this state cut more acres and more shortage of domestic seed evidently tons of alfalfa for hay in 1928 than has encouraged the importation of ever before. The increase in acrecertain kinds of alfalfa seed that age over 1927 was smaller than us-Michigan farmers do not want to ual because of the severity of the plant. 140,600 pounds of alfalfa seed of Argentinian origin arrived 1927-'28 winter and spring but A model plant for the distribution Michigan is said to have been about in this country before November 16

Use Consideration In

Buying Alfalfa Seed

son.

or Hardigan alfalfa per acre, or ten

o twelve of the hardy common and

Buy Cautiously

and it is reported that much more has the only state in the country to nbeen on the way from the Argentine this winter. Both Turkestan and Argentine seed have been found to be unadapted over a large portion of the United tates and must be stained ten per cent red or orange red when brought into this country Michigan farmers should not buy alfalfa seed containing any trace of gan should not be growing sufficient red stained seed. It is not sufficiently winter hardy for use in this state. Seed from Arizona and New Mexico are even less winter hardy than seed a profitable proposition.

seed from Argentina and such seed With new seedings for the alfal is apt to be on the open market withfa which is to be broken up this out any means of identification. coming spring, new seedings to re By buying their alfalfa seed from Michigan companies or dealers op

winter killed, and new seedings for erating under the Michigan law farmers in this state will find that those who have never grown alfalfa each lot of seed will be labeled to show the state in which the seed was Michi grown. Alfalfa seed may be listed in three groups, according to its de-

Alfalfa seed of both the common and the very hardy varieties, such as gated.

Grimm and Hardigan, is already able. more than red clover. These that the production in states like Common, and Utah Common.

Utah and Idaho is very much smaller than a year ago, in some cases bodied in the "A" house with special there being considerably less than not be planted in Michigan: South half the production of 1927. Seedsmen are predicting that even higher prices for alfalfa seed will prevail before planting time next spring. Peruvian.

> cause a curtailment in alfalfa seeding nor need it necessarily cause greater expenditure on the part of Michigan farmers for alfalfa seed ment of the Michigan State College for a given acreage than has been took part, the following recommenda-

Should Not Cut Average

The average rate of sceding in 1. It is to the interest of Michi-These terminal houses are to be vogue in Michigan has been about gan farmers to maintain or increase served by eight tracks, with a ca- ten pounds per acre of Grimm alfal- their alfalfa seedings.

In addition to the "A" and "B" common. With higher prices pre- able supply, early purchase of neceshouses present plans call for five vailing it would be much more ad- sary seed supplies is advisable. covered platform tracks with a ca- visable for farmers to economize on 3. To offset higher seed cost it is pacity of 175 cars for highly perish- the amount of seed used per acre advisable to reduce the amount of rather than on the acreage put into seed used per acre rather than to

Price Has Advanced

American (Argentine), Turkestan, South African, Southern California New Mexico, Arizona and Hairy

Recommendations Given At a recent alfalfa seed conference in which seedsmen, farmers and members of the Farm Crops departtions met with the favor of the entire group.

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before or who have never grown enough alfalfa in the past. gan can use well over 3,000,000 pounds of alfalfa seed this coming spring and summer. This article is sirability. being prepared with the hope that

Produce Terminal, and his associ- Michigan farmers who are going to ates to a national survey taking buy that seed. At the Fort street site will be

located:

Two terminal houses designated higher in price than a year ago "A" and "B." The "A" house will This is due to the fact that the alfalbe 1,080 feet long and 70 feet wide. fa seed crop in the principal seed The "B" house will be 670 feet long producing states is not nearly so and 70 feet wide. The contents of large as last season. Both govern-300 cars can be displayed on the ment and private estimates agree floors of these houses simultaneously.

Modern auction facilities are emdaylight construction which provides for proper display at all hours. On the second floor of building "A" venience of sellers in addition to the However, this situation need not there will be 91 offices for the conauction auditorium and a suite of seven offices for the auction company. On the second floor of building "B" there is space for a modern restaurant besides rooms for repacking made in past years. tomatoes and washing celery.



Short Crop Last Season May

Facilities Planned to Care For 75 Million Dollar Yearly Business

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TO SERVE DETROIT

FOUR

of food-stuffs which is now under construction on a 38-acre site at Fort crease her acreage last season street and Green avenue will pro- Most Michigan farmers can well afvide terminal facilities for an indus- ford to make still further additions try with an annual volume of to their alfalfa acreage and there \$75,000,000. At a cost of \$5,000,000 the are many who have no alfalfa or co-operative venture known as the the farm at all. By following the Detroit Union Produce Terminal will right cultural practices and soils on July 1 begin operation in what is treatment there is no reason why designed to be the finest unit of its practically every farmer in Michikind in America.

Participating in the Produce Ter- alfalfa for the needs of his own minal's program are five railroads livestock, while many will find and both sellers and buyers of vege- surplus production of either hay or tables annd fruits in the local market. The Produce Terminal is not a profit-making organization, but has for its goal the speeding of perishable foodstuffs to the ultimate place any acreage which may have consumer, with the elimination of unwarranted costs and delays which now prevail.

Survey Embraces Nation.

Obsolete methods in the local produce field with consequent economic losses led Frank N. Isbey, president of the Detroit Union it will be of some service to the nearly a year before final plans for the Fort street plant were evolved.

Served by Eight Tracks. pacity of 240 cars at one placement. fa and fifteen pounds per acre of



Seed costs less and yields clude: Michigan Common, Montana Common, Dakota Common, Idaho Group 3. Alfalfas grown in re-

gions of mild climate. These should

Group 2. Fairly hardy common alfalfas should do well in short rotations when conditions are favor-

dled. A yard for the sale of juice tirely satisfactory results. In recent cluded in the project.

Several acres have been held in reserve for future expansion.

display floors is put by Terminal pounds per acre rather than ten to zona. trucks which haul produce from the this lower rate of seeding may be Terminal to smaller distributing employed by Michigan farmers with Californians Favor centers, such as Eastern or Western every assurance of success. markets. Driveways serving the buildavenue will have at this point a point of assuring it plenty of lime width of 120 feet, while Fort street, and plant food in the way of superfeet.

The steps leading to the promotion tion of super-phosphate will pay on fornia's fruits and vegetables. dent Frank N. Isbey.

of the country so far as produce then trucking produce after sale of operation. of chain and retail stores.

"What did this mean? Simply that scattered all over the tracks, we will which their quality deserves. loaded and resold. It might be three each morning. days before supposedly fresh produce "From a produce exchange board was in the hands of the housewife. every buyer will know on his ar-

To Retrieve Losses.

"Fifteen sellers would pounce upon on the floor. At the opening hour he one buyer early in the morning, each has only to walk down the floor vendor trying to hawk his merchan- buying his day's supply as he goes. dise for the best price possible. The In three hours' time the purchases buyer was confused by divergent should reach the retail stores, which prices and alleged qualities. If the in turn can give prompt service to carload offered for sale was at some the family shopper. Not only can we inaccessible point in the yards he serve Detroiters with this speed," Mr. inaccessible point in the yards he would throw up his hands and refuse to buy at all. That is tantamount to saying that 10,000 Detroiters were automatically put out of that day's market for fresh lettuce, spinach, or whatever the produce might have bean "

been." The result of this inefficiency, ac-cording to Mr. Isbey, is a very im-be sold and consumed the same day. Hard turnover. At the FARM, Box F, Zeeland, Mich. FOR SALE AT ALL TIMES-MOLINE Tractor repairs. All models. Man Transfer & Storage Co., 222 W. Merrill St., Indianapolis, Ind. 3-29-P.

There will be 20 inspection tracks alfalfa. Experiments conducted by reduce the acreage. Six to eight with 10 covered concrete platforms Prof. C. R. Megee, of the Michigan pounds per acre of Grimm and Harwith a capacity of 984 cars. There Experiment Station, have definitely digan, and ten to twelve pounds per will be a banana shed where 25 car- shown that alfalfa may be seeded as acre of common are recommended loads of this produce can be han- low as five pounds per acre with en- rates of seeding.

4. Michigan farmers are warned grapes and watermelons is also in- years a number of Michigan farmers against imported alfalfa seed which have been putting this information contains red stained seed, such seed into practice and a lot of the more being unadapted to this state. They recent Grimm alfalfa seedings have also should avoid seed from South The total capacity of tracks and gone in at the rate of six to eight California, New Mexico, and Ari-

display floors is put by Terminal officials at 1,949 cars at a single placement. Special arrangements have been made for parking and spotting been made for parking and spotting

Strict attention should be given to ings will be 100 feet wide. Green the needs of alfalfa from the stand-

and construction of the new Produce most any Michigan soil. With lime Terminal were outlined by Presi- and plant food assured and with a seed bed well prepared there is no

been for years the laughing stock not seed six to eight pounds of Grimm

terminal facilities are concerned. posing loss to the grower, to the We have been trying to operate by middleman, and to the ultimate conthe ancient practice of spotting cars sumer. How these losses will be reall over the various railroad yards, trieved Mr. Isbey explained by attempting to sell from the cars and announcing the new Terminal's mode

other markets or distribution points a day under our present schedule," insist that California's crops get the said Mr. Isbey, "and with these cars recognition and the money return

it took from 4 o'clock in the morning be able after July 1 to spot 250 or until night to effect the sale of a car more cars at building "A," unload of lettuce, that is if it was sold at all, them and have all produce on display and then trucking it away to be un- on the Terminal floor at 6 o'clock

And probably she bought a second- rival just how many cars of each rate article at a second-rate price type of produce are in the market because of this ridiculous situation. that day. He will also be able to learn where each commodity is placed

Farm Trademark Bill

California has a legislative farm bloc and its members are fighting serving "A" house, is to be 152 feet phosphate and potash fertilizer: Pot- vigorously for a state trademark wide with a possible extension of 220 ash is particularly important on the bill, designed to improve the marketsandy type of soil, while an applica- ing conditions as they affect Cali-

The farmer representatives in the state legislature are determined that the foolish and costly mishandling "Detroit," said Mr. Isbey, "has reason why the Michigan farmer can- of the grower's crops after they leave his hands must stop. They say that the streaky and whimsical mis-routing of California products into glutted markets, with neglect of hungry markets, must come to an end. Canners, packers and shippers of California's agricultural output must accept their responsifrom the side tracks and spurs to "Where we handle perhaps 80 cars bility as the state's promoters. They



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TT is one of the strange experiences of railroads in dealing with traffic at the highway crossing that a large number of motor vehicle drivers are indifferent to all danger.

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BEHIND the automatic signal or the crossing watchman there usually is no such force of law, but there may be injury or death.

THE Motorist, through some perversity in make-up, stops at the Street Intersection for the Signal Light which indicates possible peril or a police court fine, where he often will not be awed by the oncoming train with its infinitely greater danger in the event of a mishap.

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NEWSPAPERS should constantly impress upon all the importance of observing signal indications.

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