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### **HOOVER APPOINTS** SAM THOMPSON TO FEDERAL FARM BD.

American Farm Bureau Chief To Succeed To Legge Vacancy.

### CAME UP FROM RANKS

From Farmer to Outstanding Agricultural Leader In 16 Years.

the past five years president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, the financial operations of governhas been named by President Hoover ment. This applies as well to each to fill the vacancy in the Federal county, municipality and township as Farm Board caused by Alexander it does to the state. Our financial Legge's retirement. Mr. Thompson problem, normally perplexing enough, has accepted and has resigned as is today emphasized by the current

Edward A. O'Neal, nationally known southern agricultural leader from partial solutions, have been offered, Montgomery, Ala., vice president of and more are to be proposed-some the American Farm Bureau for many of them truly effective, with others of years, was elected president to fill doubtful value-upon this all are resenting appropriations of its gov-Mr. Thompson's unexpired term by agreed, that first and foremost must ernmental subdivisions. the American Farm Bureau directors come a policy of rigid economy that meeting here March 19. Mr. O'Neal will get back to first principles in re- bodies having to do with the expenwill serve until November 30, 1931, or duction of the cost of governmental diture of public funds keep constantly until the next annual meeting of the operation. This principle is equally in the forefront of their minds the American Farm Bureau.



SAM H. THOMPSON

Charles E. Hearst, president of the Iowa Farm Bureau, and American signed March 4 by President to seek bean marketing harmony. Farm Bureau Director, succeeds Mr. Hoover is effective 90 days later. Assn, was elected to the vacancy on free ruling, November 30, 1930 to the Farm Bureau board of directors. June 1, 1931,-six months. Rose From Ranks

Mr. Thompson rose from the ranks in the Farm Bureau. As a member in 1915 he volunteered to interest others in membership. He became county Farm Bureau president, later president of the Illinois Agr'l Assn, moved working through the legislature. up to the national Farm Bureau board of directors and became president in

inence when as president of the Illi- that Michigan law provides that In 1924 he came into national prom nois Agr'l Ass'n he sought to testify before the House Agr'l Committee at Washington in behalf of the McNary-Haugen agr'l export corporation bill. Haugen agr'l export corporation bill. ers was challenged. Mr. Thompson ing it with milk and cream from telegraphed back home and started for the prison herd; Michigan Reform Chicago. Forty-eight hours later he atory at Ionia serves 2,000 lbs. of was back with petitions signed by oleo per month. Reformatory 67,000 Illinois farmers, asking enactment of the bill.

For seven years Mr. Thompson estimated at 1,500 lbs. per month. worked or the national legislation which finally was realized in the Agricultural Marketing Act and the Armored Car Bought Federal Farm Board, to which he has

Mr. Thompson is a grain and live stock farmer on 500 acres at Quincy, motor car ever built has been put III. He started farming for himself at | into service by the Third Avenue 26 by getting married and buying an Railway company, here. It has a 80 acre farm at \$75 per acre, going capacity of 21/2 tons or \$20,000 in in debt for the entire amount. On nickles. The transportation comthis farm were born the Thompson's pany handles 300 million nickles Sec'y Hyde of the U. S. Dep't of seven children, four boys and three annually. This fort on wheels is Agr. ordered the trading licenses of Saginaw, Port Huron, Owesso and girls. Mr. Thompson is in his 68th filled twice each day with a load of 40 live stock commission firms sus- Cadillac, none of which had school

#### Another Step in Farm Program, Sec'y Winder

Chicago-Speaking for the American Farm Bureau Federation, Sec'y M. S. Winder issued the following statement after the national Board of Directors had accepted Pres. Thompson's resignation so that he might ac- Bureau at 217 East Shiawasee street, cured a Federal court injunction at Hillsdale, Lapeer, Lenawee, Livings cept appointment to the Federal Farm Lansing, offers its services free to Danville, Ill., restraining Mr. Hyde ton and Sanilac. Under the amend

"The Farm Bureau, since its inception, has assumed the leadership of of former farmers and farm hands, old line firms had boycotted the than they paid into the Turner the movement to place agriculture on both married and single men. They the Federal Farm Board recognized both married and single men. They co-operative. The injunction also eral times their contribution. groups which have secured economic are examined as to their knowledge co-operative. The injunction also eral times their contribution. stability under the American Protection and experience. Farmers writing for provides that the old line firms tive system. We have felt that the information will receive prompt atsound development of co-operative tention. marketing will best further that

movement "For seven years we struggled to secure the adoption of a national receiving drought relief, made the policy based on the acceptance of the largest contribution of any southern principle that the distribution of farm state county to the white flour donaproduce should be in the hands of producer-controlled agencies, recog-

### Retrench! Brucker's **Word To Townships**

Gives Statement to News Prior to Township Meetings

Asked by the FARM NEWS for a statement to Michigan farmers prior to their annual township meetings, scheduled throughout the state for Monday, April 6, Gov. Wilber H. Brucker gave us this message:

"None of the concerns coming before governmental authorities today Chicago-Sam H. Thompson, for approach in magnitude of interest or importance those which grow out of Farm Bureau president, effective May economic depression and has reached grave proportions.

"While a multitude of solutions, or applicable to the smallest unit of our grave necessity for retrenchment in government as it is to the state. In public expense. Every economy where practical operation, it is of far great- not inconsistent with the effective ader significance to the smaller unit, ministration of government must be for but 11% of the total tax levy of brought about. The taxpayer looks the State represents the expense of to them for relief and they must not

Effective After

90 Days.

MICHIGAN OLEO BILL

only inmates of penal institutions

ly, made more palatable by churn-

prisoners may buy butter at the in-

mates store and their purchases are

New York-The largest armored

Employment Bureau

They Gave In 1917

Jefferson county, Arkansas, now

at a circus.

PALM OIL OLEO

til June 1.



"It is my earnest wish that the the State Government with 89% rep- be heedless of his plea."

## **BEAN JOBBERS** TAX ON JUNE 1

Brigham-Townsend Act Is Meet With Growers' Bean Pools, State College March 27.

Washington-Dairymen won their East Lansing-Some 40 represenecent fight in Congress to impose tatives of the Michigan Bean Jobthe Federal 10 cent color tax on ALL yellow oleo, but it appears Marketing Ass'n, the Michigan Bean that palm oil natural yellow oleo may continue to be made and sold Exchange and the Michigan State without paying the 10 cent tax un-The Brigham-Townsend oleo bill dep'ts met at the college March 27 provide the full amount, additional

Bean Jobbers are at odds with O'Neal as vice president. Earl C. Smith, president of the Illinois Agr'l 10 cent tax from date of the tax through their own co-operatives, largest of which is the Michigan aid going to 50 counties and de-Bean Growers, Inc., with local crease the aid in 23 counties. Most Elevator Exchange as sales agent. Lansing-Senator Lennon's bill to prohibit the sale of colored oleo State College is assisting the growers to organize co-operative units, in Michigan and improve heavy license fees on handlers is still according to the extension and Agricultural Marketing Acts, and stated given under the present Turner March 10 at a conference of the Act. MICHIGAN PRISONS USE OLEO

Lansing-Item in the March 14 to carry out the law. NEWS, replying to a reader, stated ful Jobbers declared all pools fail- finance carried on in this State by ures, upbraided the College, offered Dr. F. M. Thrun of Michigan State may be fed butter substitutes. Jack- to let growers pool beans in their College and Dr. Paul R. Mort of elevators, but declared they would never allow the Elevator Exchange versity. Dr. Thrun's findings were a "Bean Jobbers Pool" as a substi- port, although printed separately. tute for the plan farmers are developing.

agreed that the Bean Jobbers, Elevator Exchange, Michigan Bean Growers, and the Michigan Bean Marketing Ass'n should each appoint two For 300 Million Nickles members to a working committee of to find some basis of agreement.

#### Must Prove In Court Co-op Was Boycotted

St. Louis, Mo-A few weeks ago 40,000 nickles. Hardly anyone pended on this market as the result tax rates in excess of \$18.13 per would think of stealing that many of their refusal to do business with thousand. The Commission's renickles, but most fathers will say the Co-operative National Live port shows that none of these cities that a seven year old son could Stock Marketing Ass'n. The sus- will receive any aid whatever unspend that many in one afternoon pension order came after a long der the amended bill. and bitter hearing in which the Government charged boycott and violation of the Packer and Stock- property taxes to the Turner fund yards Act.

Offers Farmers Men Just before the suspension be- receive. These counties were: Alle Lansing-The State Employment came effective the old line firms se- gan, Barry, Branch, Clinton, Eaton, farmers who need farm hands. The from making the suspension effec- ed act it appears that all of these Bureau has registered a large number tive pending proof in court that the counties will receive back more tive in the meantime unless the coop conforms to "accept market chairman; Sen. Edward L. Bronson, practices."

#### Subsoil Still Dry

Mt. Pleasant-Drought conditions nizing clearly that such a policy could (Continued on page 2.)

Sugar for the soldiers' Christmas concerned. Digging down one or two and the estimates of the Commission upon which the 1931 bill to

### SCHOOL TAX AID **SEEN FOR LADEN RURAL DISTRICTS**

Revised Turner Act Would Aid 3,400 School Districts.

#### WOULD REDUCE LEVIES

Provides \$1,200 to \$1,600 Per Teacher at Reasonable Tax Rate.

Lansing-Prospects for a pronounced reduction in school taxes in over-taxed sections of rural Michigan were heightened when the State Educational Survey Commission, appointed pursuant to a joint resolution of the 1929 Legislature, made public its report on

They received an additional boost when Senator William F. Turner of Morley, author of the Turner Act. personally introduced a bill to amend the Legislation he formerly sponsored by incorporating into the original Turner Act the plan of State Equalization proposed by the Educational Survey Commission.

The new bill involves an estimated outlay by the State that is less than \$100,000 in excess of the \$2,000,000 provided by the original act, but distributes this sum in a manner caluclated to equalize necessary educational costs more per-

Aids One-Room Schools

It apparently will increase the assistance given to one-room schools by 300 per cent and it is estimated by the commission that about 3,400 chool districts will receive aid in omparison with 1,923 districts penefiting under the present law. If passed, the measure will guarantee each school district in the State sufficient funds to provide operating expenses of \$1,200 for every necessary teacher in the based. It also compares aid to one- An isolated building to use as a hosbers, Michigan Co-operative Bean excess of 5 mills upon each dollar alone in 1936. of equalized valuation. The excess Growers Inc., the Michigan Elevator expense above the 5 mill tax would be met first out of the primary College extension and economics fund, and if this is insufficient to aid would be granted.

Where Aid Goes increase the amount of Turner Act bean elevators and the Michigan of the counties which will show a lower total aid have large numbers of districts, usually one-room districts, where aid will be given under the new plan, although none was

above bodies that it would continue | Senator Turner's new measure and the commission's report are At the March 10 meeting, wrath- based upon studies of educational Teacher's College Columbia Unias the growers sales agent, sell published a few days ago by the such beans. Worn out, the Jobbers Experiment Station at East Lanasked for another meeting. Some sing and were officially incorporatbelieve the Bean Jobbers may offer ed as a part of the Commission's re-

If passed, the bill will climax an effort carried on for many years by At the March 27 meeting it was farm organizations in Michigan to secure an equalization of school tax burdens resulting from State regu-

> NEWS Published Defects The Commission's report also pro-

vides a direct cure for the defects of the Turner Act as first made public by the NEWS in its issue of Feburary 28, 1930. At that time, the NEWS pointed

out that the Turner Act would give "poor" school district aid to the cities of Bay City, Niles, St. Joseph,

The NEWS also pointed out that 10 strictly rural counties would pay in excess of the amount they would

The members of the State Educational Survey Commission are: Representative Charles H. Reed. secretary; Sen. James T. Upjohn, Rep. James N. McBride, Rep. Oscar Hull and Supt. Webster H. Pearce, who is an ex-officio mem-

t. Joseph Sanilac .... Schoolcraft Shiawassee

The county table shown in this sion upon which the 1931 bill is

#### **BOARD OF AGRICULTURE NOMINEE**



MRS. MATILDA R. WILSON

Mrs. Alfred G. (Matilda R.) Wilson of Meadow Brook Farm, Oakland county, was nominated at the recent Republican state convention at Kalamazoo for membership on the State Board of Agriculture, which directs the affairs of Michigan State College. Mrs. Wilson's Meadow Brook Farm includes 1,400 acres, one thousand acres of which are meadows and cultivated fields, all farmed along modern lines.

primary grades and \$1,600 for room and unapproved graded pital should be a part of every poul-

necessary high school teachers with schools in 1929 with the estimates try farm equipment. Then treat out the necessity of a local tax in of aid to one-room school districts diseases in the hospital and not in the pen.

> It-usually takes a transplanted tree or shrub a year to develop than fresh. Put it into cold water, enough leaves to utilize any amount quickly bring to a boil, then let it this is grist to the farmer's mill and of concentrated fertilizer.

Salt meat requires longer boiling simmer until well done.

### **How Counties Would Share Amended Turner Act Funds**

COMPARISON OF 1929 ACT PAYMENTS TO THE NEW PLAN

	Total Aid to		The state of the s	
	County		1-Room Schools	
			1929	1931
	1929	1931	Including	Incl. Dist.
	ACT	BILL	Unapproved	
Alcona	0.000		- marchine and	Pupils Out
Alger	9,222	\$19,030 6,240	\$ 6,052 800	\$12,166
Allegan	9,222	36,393	2,862	27,495
Alpena Antrim		8,658 55,775	2,904 9,988	803 35,574
Arenac	14,382	25,356	3,480	8,836
Baraga	5,531	5,226 49,298	3,597 3,808	44,140
Benzie Berrien	28,398	1,425 32,904	166	1,425 20,758
Berrien	16,877	32,904 17,387	3,698 16,881	20,758 9,173
Branch	3,123	18,381	1.050	15,261
Calhoun	18,217 7,903	42,855 18,407	5,334 1,608	32,950 17,020
Charlevoix	35,912	44,592	8,513	18,676
Cheboygan	29,732 30,172	27,916 11,283	16,419	19,889 6,416
Clare	8,138	29,396	7,217 3,280	21,551
Clinton	6,524	20,245	2,027	21,551 7,696
Crawford	102,599	10,634 11,698	263 17,843	4,583 6,176
Dickinson	84,426	28,303	359	***********
Emmet	5,783 25,471	20,810 29,319	1,446 9,661	10,538 7,062
Genesee	58,041	50,175	9,661 24,769	8,400
Gladwin		30,387	3,481 2,956	21,084
Gd. Traverse	20,099	26,282 22,761	3,699	19,756
Gratiot	12,075	22,761 46,832	630 1,746	5,534 31,223
Hillsdale	146,497	47,302	33,287	5,639
Huron Ingham	19,086	24,323 29,440	429 4,468	3,225
Ionia	99.269	26,516	1,756	17,256 15,297
Iosco	17,405	11,248	1,872	2,737
Iron	10,377	21,031	3,653	14,656
jabella Jackson Kalamazoo Kalkaska	25,672	43,590	1,225	23,188
Kalkaska	14,766	30,347 29,881	11,872 6,843	14,048 24,599
ACILL MILLION MANAGEMENT AND	067140	56,985	11,595	23,134
KeweenawLake	304 17,454	550 24,868	304 8,723	550 17,635
Lapeer	8,080	27,133	1,145	14,733
Leelanlau	2.551	20,075 20,424	2,913 369	12,980 16,938
Lenawee	2,365	25,556	1,368	17,770
Luce Mackinac Macomb Manistee	1,288	1 240	872	636
Macomb	26,140	1,240 5,289	6,751 2,767	1,261 18,534
Manistee	34,412	30,000	9,938 8,659	18,534 735
Marquette	29,733	15,348 27,532	4,418	19,328
Mecosta	19,376	43,626	5,818	33,512
Menominee	37,695 13,801	17,654 23,676	8,637 11,053	8,424 19,811
Missaukee	19,565	32,170	10,350	21,848
Monroe	986 18,979	48,939	3,340	176 27,453
Montmorency	6,313	13,014	1,010	9,346
Newaygo	74,176 18,994	40,013 77,663	48,408 7,097	12,274 52,287
Oakland	42,014	28,106	6,507	6,858
Oceana	19,150 7,458	54,255 17,173	6,495 3,144	36,118 13,361
Ontonagon	41,210	7,404	49	maining
Osceola	18,457 4,826	60,591	10,677	42,965 3,301
Oscoda	8,054	3,998 8,472	2,030	4,969
Ottawa	31,659	9,678 19,596	6,195	4,969 7,335 10,368
Presque Isle	21,123 3,646	15,290	1,386 2,394	10,875
Saginaw	61,392	23,632	6,538	4,450
St. Clair	32,030	9,430	4,788	8,023

### **BETTER FARMING** YEAR PREDICTED BY ROGER BABSON

Farmer First in Depression And Will Be First To Get Out.

#### HIS COSTS GOING DOWN

Population Increase, Larger Labor Supply In His Favor.

Roger W. Babson, noted business authority, writing in the Country Home, firmly believes that there are plenty of things in sight to make 1931 a much better year for farmers. He believes 1931 will be the best farming year that the United States has known in the past ten years.

"The farmer was almost the first victim to go into the business hospital. I think he will be the first to come out," Mr. Babson said.

"It is the history of bad times," Mr. Babson went on, "that those industries which are hit first are the first to recover. It is also part of this history that the farm is one of the first business groups to recover from a depression. This is, of course, because the farm is the first to feel it Operating Costs Drop

"There is another item on the side of the farmer. His dollar is worth more and he will be a wise man to use it while it has a high purchasing power. Prices have been falling in the cities for many months. Low prices do not reach the farm as soon as they reach the city, but they now are rolling toward the farm-price reductions which mean hundreds of millions of dollars added to farm purchasing power.

"A big mail-order house writes four nillion dollars off the value of its inventory. That is literally four million dollars contributed to the farmer. Sugar is cheaper; coffee is cheaper. The farmer who uses gasoline gets it at the lowest price since 1915. Tires are cheaper. Paint, wire fencing, nails, lumber and hardware begin to reflect the lower prices. All will aid his recovery.

#### Population Grows

Pointing out that there are 17,500,more mouths for farm produ than there were 10 years ago, that our poulation increases from 11/2 to 2 millions per year and that the number of farms will probably not increase very much, Mr. Babson spoke of the future:

'The tendency of the times will be for the going to get harder for the inefficient farmer, who will be gradually extinguished, and better for the efficient farmer. He will not only have the benefit of modern machinery but he will have a larger labor supply as a result of this back to the farm movement. And what is more, he will have the benefit of better organization. For the farmer will collect one big dividend from the depression. He will come out of it with one great lesson thoroughly learnedthat he can do nothing alone.

Electrical Progress "As a result the farm market is going to be a great and growing market. In the next four years it is said that electric power will be carried to another 1,000,000 farms. Here will come into existence a million new customers for electrical goods of every description-electric installations, electric motors, washing machines, irons, toasters, automatic pumping machines, feed-grinding, silage cutting, hay-hoisting and milking machines and all the innumerable conveniences and comforts of the farm home.'

Mr. Babson further observed that the movement of young people to the cities has been decreasing; that over much emphasis has been placed on the fortunes of the wheat and corn crops. Mr. Babson estimates that the average American family spends about \$2 per day for food and that about 5 cents of that amount goes for wheat and corn.

#### Farmers Have Taken Third of Drought Loan

Washington-Farmers in the drought stricken areas who have been able to negotiate "properly secured" loans with the government, have lost no time in doing so since the \$45,000,000 drought relief fund became available. The seed loan office reports that 98,924 loans, totaling \$15,159,058, or about one-third of the total fund, have been completed to date.

#### Acre of Leaves

The full-grown apple tree, it is estimated, has about 50,000 leaves. This provides a flat area of evaporation surface of about half an acre.



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#### Bargain Seed Expose Shocks Farmers

Finding as much as 5,000 weed seeds per pound in out-of-state mail order seed house "bargain" offers of alfalfa, clover and forage crop mixture seeds by the State College Farm Crops department has astounded Michigan farmers, many of whom have been writing the College about it, since reading the article published in the March 14 FARM NEWS and other papers.

Such firms outside of Michigan are not subject to our State laws on clean seed, live seed and other requirements when they sell Michigan, farmers by mail. Seed that would be condemned if offered by a Michigan firm can be shipped into Michigan on a mail order.

The College Farm Crops Dep't reports that farmers who have bought mail order bargain offers are sending samples of such seed to the College for analysis since reading the NEWS article. Generally speaking, they might as well be prepared for the bad news that will come back.

#### Township Road Tax Relief

Township road relief through legislative enactment is still problematical, although a bill appropriating \$2,-000,000 for 1932 and double that sum by 1936, and approved by the administration lies in committee.

It is strictly up to the voters to insure their own tax relief this year by declaring a holiday upon all but the most necessary township road tax expenses. There are three very potent reasons for following this course:

1. If no State relief is granted, this is ALL the road tax relief that is in sight.

2. If the State does grant relief, farmers will have guaranteed that it will mean tax reduction if they reduce their levies beforehand.

3. Under the recent ruling on the township highway improvement tax it is necessary to raise more money than is needed, for villages are entitled to half of the improvement tax raised inside their boundaries. The repair tax, on the other hand, falls entirely upon the farmer, regardless of who uses the road. Either tax is therefore inequitable and should be held to the lowest

TALK FROM TRAIN

**ON 1931 PASTURES** 

Live Stock Professors

On N. Y. C. Train.

Apr. 1. Wednesday, Hillsdale, 9 to 3 April 2. Thursday, Coldwater, 9 to 3 April 3. Friday, Three Rivers, 9 to 3 April 4. Saturday, Cassopolis, 9 to 3 April 6, Monday, Niles, 9 to 3 April 7, Tuesday, Decatur, 11 to 4 April 8, Wednesday, Kalamazoo, 12 to April 9, Thursday, Marshall, 9 to 3 April 16, Friday, Jackson, 9 to 3 April 11, Saturday, Chelsea, 10 to 3.

of raising an estimated \$6,000,000 to

throughout Michigan was debated by

friends and opponents March 26 at

The bill provides a tax of one-half

receipts are between \$25,000 and

a public hearing.

AT BIG STORES

### BEET SHUTDOWN AFFECTS 84,000 A.

Growers and Plants Trying College Alfalfa, Soils, Dairy, To Continue in Some Places

Lansing-In 1930 some 84,000 Michigan acres were devoted to sugar

1931 prospects are that few Michigan sugar beet factories will operate, due to unprofitable sugar market conditions. In several localities growers and their plans have been trying to arrive at some basis that would permit operation this year. It is reportcounty, and the Blissfield plant, Len-Growers at St. Louis, Gratiot county, are trying to secure sufficient acreage igan points, beginning March 30: to operate the St. Louis plant on a plan that would divide the plant's net profit equally between the plant and the growers. Growers would supply their own seed, labor and deliver the

What will happen to the probable vast acreage not returned to beets is a problem for farmers, in face of surpluses in other crops. It is believed DEBATE TAX AIMED that most of it will go into beans, to push an already record production still continue in this section of Michbeet ground is ideal for alfalfa and urges alfalfa, since Michigan farming can use about twice the alfalfa acreage it has for hay, pasture or seed.

#### Livery Barns And Airports Owosso, Michigan.

March 16, 1931. Michigan Farm News,

Lansing, Michigan, Dear Editor

Why not let the air-minded con struct their own air ports? Would the State to build garages, freight \$400,000 annually, to as high as 10 ministrative board create the next dehouses, and passenger stations?

Evidently, the liverymen and stage drivers in their day were not onto their job or they would have asked would pay about \$10,000 tax annually. each house on the state administrathe State to build their barns. W. F. ALEXANDER

1931 EGG PRICES

Although the number of layers and would reach those who pay no tax measure is expected to go to Gov. small game, potatoes, roasting ears the production of eggs in 1931 prom- now. It takes in the lower income Wilber M. Brucker early next week or marshmallows in a popper during ises to be somewhat less than in 1930, brackets. It would be painless." for approval or veto. Approval is exthe price of eggs during the first half of 1931 will be lower than for the League, claiming to represent 8,000 present the Board can't release a dol- better job of it than when the usual same period in 1939,

## **Times Turn Farmers** To Own Organizations

Seek Protection Against ganization, more than 200 new Excessive Burden of Taxation

tion are causing farmers to turn to their organizations for assistance that can be expected from no other tracts have also been signed during quarter", says Clark L. Brody, Sec- the month. Paid-up life members etary-Manager of the Michigan are entitled to all the privileges of State Farm Bureau.

bership plan, and the district mana- The membership is joint as between ting up a membership workers' or- throughout the life of each.

memberships were written during the month of March. Huron county, with 37 new mem-

berships, leads the State while Clinton is second with 31. Other "Hard times and the urgent need counties reporting 15 or more new of protection from excessive taxa- members since March 1st are Cass, LIMITS TWP. ROAD TAX Lapeer, Sanilac and Tuscola

Ten paid-up life membership conmembership including Although the Farm Bureau has dvidends without any further paybut recently adopted a new mem- ment of annual membership fees. ers are still largely occupied in set- busband and wife and extends

### Two Farmers Tell Us How They Use Alfalfa

One Produces Top Lambs; Another Finishes Steers.

NEW USES DEVELOPING

Makes Good as Pasture Crop; Easy To Get Dependable

By R. E. DECKER

Farm Crops Dep't, State College Alfalfa growing in Michigan has fied Grimm alfalfa in 1922. He has ast twelve years until at the present in 1930 he harvested 100 acres. time it is difficult to find any comquainted with the crop.



Even though the acreage has in-

plenty of alfalfa last year are not all contributed towards making it ing the winter under this system.

Rather of the State College Farm wards. for hay, are attempting seed produc- form." tion. (4) There is another group, The method of seeding mentioned into the wool, results in certain disand it is getting larger, who are try- above has been used very satisfactori- count and is ruinous to sales. ing alfalfa as a pasture crop.

falfa. County agricultural agents of alfalfa. have received letters from growers. In the next of this series of articles date, much more than last year at in which their methods of handling we will see what farmers in the Upper this time. the crop have been discussed.

Hudson Company of Detroit declared ture. its class legislation and unconstitutional. Lansing Merchants' Ass'n the items which are taken care of Lansing-The so-called chain urged economy in government rather after the legislature goes home withtore retail sales tax bill fathered by than a tax which they claimed would out making any provision for them. Rep. Jas. N. McBride for the purpose fall on those least able to pay it.

## be devoted to equalizing school costs Legislature Would

Lansing-The 1931 legislature is Many of the so-called emergency apmill per dollar for stores whose gross going to prevent deficits in state propriations are not such, however.

mills per dollar on stores having The legislature has passed a measgross receipts of more than \$1,000,- ure which would place the finance 000 Stores with \$1,000,000 gross sales chairman and one other member of Apparently believing stores would tive board with full voting power corn poppers for broiling your other uses will suggest themselves. whenever any emergency appropria- sausage or wieners, either over the Bride said, "This tax would be a tions are to be considered when the kitchen fire or when camping, complement to an income tax. It legislature isn't in session. The One can broil fish, steak, bacon At the hearing the Home Defense pected. Unless the legislators are picnic and save time and do a much

The thought occurred that readers of he Michigan Farm News might be interested in some of the experiences of these farmers in different parts of the state, so with that in mind some of these will be told in this and suc eeding issues of this paper.

From Two to 100 Acres The leading alfalfa grower in Alran. Casper Blumer, County Agrifollowing information about Mr. Longpre's success with alfalfa. "Mr.

munity where farmers are not ac- not afford to grow grain, so he feeds nate township roads entirely. How-

and grain in one crop. able success in alfalfa seed produc- duction. Then if the manner of acre of uncleaned seed. This year, operate but one year 1930, he cut 25 acres for seed and ob- next legislature meets. tained approximately 140 bushels, ma-

not to have related other incidents, but this is an outstanding and yet quite common rate of expansion the crop on farms where the soil

It might be added by way of com ment on Mr. Blumer's remark, ifthat the special 1925 Agricultural Census lists Alcona county as having 75 acres of Alfalfa. The 1930 census will undoubtedly show a wonderful increase Helps Finish Steers

In 1927 in Missaukee county an al-falfa field contest was arranged by County Agricultural Agent Barnum. reased something like 800% since Farmers seeding alfalfa were invited ation, co-op recognized by the Federal the ability of organized farmers to quired districts (there are 13 now) in 1919, bringing our acreage cut for hay to enter their fields in the contest, Farm Board, made a number of imup to 621,000 acres in 1930, there is the field to be judged in the spring portant announcements March 27: a feeling among farmers that the of 1928 before the first cutting. A. L. acreage can be expanded to twice its Davis and son of Merritt had an ex- will not use the Detroit warehouse present amount before there is suf- cellent 5 acre field in this contest, this year. Poolers will ship wool to ficient to take care of livestock needs. Recently Mr. Barnum had this to say the Michigan Wool Marketing Ass'n At various meetings held over the about the growing of alfalfa on the at 1927 W. Main St., Fort Wayne, Ind. state during the past three months Davis farm: "Davis & Son now have 2. Michigan and Indiana wool great interest was shown in alfalfa. 30 acres of alfalfa and will put in 20 pools, separate corporations, will oc-The writer attended meetings in Jack- acres more next spring. They feed cupy separate floors, will share gradson and Cass counties where repre- the hay to a herd of Guernsey cows ing service and other facilities. sentatives from practically all com- and also to dairy heifers and small 3. Michigan Wool Marketing Ass'n munities advocated more alfalfa. steers. These men usually buy 20 to business will be transacted entirely We have learned considerable about 30 steers in the fall for feeding. The from the office of Sec'y-Treas. C. L. handling alfalfa during the last ten smaller ones in the bunch are fed Brody, 221 No. Cedar street, La. sing, years. Proper preparation of the seed skim milk and alfalfa hay. Mr. Davis Michigan, State Farm Bureau Leadbed, the use of hardy good quality tells me that these smaller steers will quarters. East Lansing-Farmers who had seed, better hay curing methods, have make around at 200 pound gain duruffering much for good live stock easy to get an alfalfa crop and to "Davis & Son always lime their Lansing. Last year's poolers will

feed this year, according to Prof. H. realize the most from the crop after- land and use stable manure for ferti- operate on their present pooling five years. lizer. They seed in mid-summer, us- contracts. New Poolers should ask The progress with alfalfa in Mich- ually about July 15. In seeding they for pooling contract. Prof. Rather, Dr. C. E. Millar and igan might be divided into several follow this plan: first they harrow 5. Cash advances will be made or Prof. George Grantham of the College different stages. (1) The experi- with a spring-tooth drag and follow arrival of wool at Fort Wayne waresoils Dep't, Prof. G. A. Brown of the mental stage, where growers were with a cultipacker. Then they sow house, without wait for grading, as it has assumed leadership since its Animal Husbandry Dep't, and J. G. trying to grow the crop. (2) The the seed and with a hand seeder, follows: native Michigan wools 14 creation in 1919,—the principle that ed that the Sebewaing plant, Huron Hays of the Dairy Dep't, will be on growing of the crop for a dependable covering with a spike-tooth drag or cents per pound, flat; western lamb the agricultural industry is entitled the N. Y. C. "Emergency Pasture and supply of hay. Most of our farmers float and then culti-pack a second or feeder wools 12 cents per pound, awee county, probably will operate. Hay Train" for talks and questions are in this class. They are growing time. They find that by this method 6. Shippers should be sure to have when it stops at the following Mich- alfalfa for hay, and hay alone, the seed is covered to a uniform completely filled in tag on outside of trial life have enjoyed for years (3) A few have gone beyond this and depth, the soil is well-packed about it, bag and the same information inside having more acreage than they need and germination is rapid and uni- the bag. Tie fleeces with paper twine

ly by many growers on the sandy Farmers have told crops extension loam soils. A well-packed seed bed poration estimated March 25 that men of their experiences with al- is an essential thing in getting a crop 75,000,000 lbs. of 1931 wool are pledg-

Peninsula think of alfalfa.

Most of them can't be anticipated by any legislature or they would be taken care of. Many of them are truly emergencies, and frequently a state Check Admin. Board institution would have to have an extra appropriation or cease to operate.

#### New Uses For The Corn Popper

merchants, spoke for the bill. J. L. lar not appropriated by the legisla- sharpened stick is used,

### TOWNSHIP ROAD TAX RELIEF BILL IN LEGISLATURE

Provides \$2,000,000 for 1932 Reaches \$4,000,000 In Four Years

Plans Cut From 10 to 3 Mills; Bills In to Limit Covert Act

Lansing-The much heralded tered the Legislature on March 18 Senator Frank Smith of Luther, and in the House by Rep. J. Earl McNitt of Cadillac.

The bill provides \$2,000,000 for use by county road commissions on crease this sum by \$500,000 each ear until the annual appropriation one-half of the present total annual outlay for township roads

Counties Take Over Roads The bill also provides that the counties must take over the work of caring for township roads at the rate of 20 per cent per year, but excludes roads laid out in plats from this provision. The tax rate limit cona county is A. F. Longpre at Cur- for township roads purposes would also be reduced from 10 mills to cultural agent for Alcona, gives the mills, and eventually to 3 mills, but with provision for the raising of extra sums where necessary to pay Longpre seeded two acres with certi-off existing debts, etc.

The bill has met with much favor en steadily increasing during the steadily increased his acreage until among farmers, although there are some who doubt the practicability "Mr. Longpre figures that he can- of legislation which seeks to elimilambs exclusively on alfalfa. He is ever, there is a strong sentiment able to produce lambs that top the among those not entirely satisfied market. Alfalfa it therefore his hay with the bill to the effect that it is the best policy to accept the meas Mr. Longpre had also had consider- ure so as to assure farm tax re tion. On four different occasions his ministration needs revision, that seed yield was five to six bushels per can be cared for later. The bill will

> The bills limiting the Covert Act now in committee are being sub-"When alfalfa is once started in a jected to numerous amendments community it gains acreage rapidly. necessary to strengthen them and The dry season of 1929 and 1930 have at the same time to provide for proven alfalfa a winner. I am sorry special conditions in certain counties, notably Berrien and Sanilac.

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> In the home the popper can be come indispensable for crisping crackers or breakfast cereals and is most handy for toasting sandwiches to the right turn.

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Most any sort of job I undertake I like to take some conscious pleasure in; Some joy in laborin' just for labor's sake Plain laziness ain't my besettin' sin.

Fact is I'm glad to tap the sugar bush. The first few days I whistle will day long, But after that I sort of lose my push; The mud and smake just get me goin' wrong. Tell, when I've set up nights a couple weeks

A boilin' down a barrel to a pint I feel my blistered hands and heels and cheeks And reckon all the world is out of jint.

Still, Marthy comes down every afternoon To notice if the run is good or poor And operate the syrup-testin' spoon Or keep her boilin' while I gather more.

And when she's there the birds set in to sing And all the eamp is full of fragrant steam; Then I don't mind the mud or anything A followin' the barrel-sled and team

She helps me syrup off and bye and bye We take it in the milk can on the sled Up to the house for her to clarify And work up into proper pancake spread.

Now when I come to think of it that way The sweets we harvest while we live along Are worth the work they cost us day by day,

Especially if we labor with a song. Jemimy! I can't be a settin' here, I've got to gather sap and rustle wood. A feller has to hump this time of year

And harvest while the harvestin' is good!

#### Pres. Hoover Appoints Thompson to Farm Bd.

(Continued from page 1.) only be made effective through gov ernmental support.

"The Agricultural Marketing Act was the outcome of that struggle. For almost two years it has been admin- ing power of agriculture can be reistered for the benefit of the farmers of the nation as a whole, and the be back on a sound basis, our national American Farm Bureau Federation economic life will be restored to its has been lending every resource at normal condition and prosperity will its command to make the Act as again bless the land. thoroughly effective as possible Through the full development of the policies laid down in this Act the de ires of agriculture will be secured.

"Our organization has been con stantly consulted by the Farm Board our leaders have given freely of their

to solve knotty problems "In accepting the resignation of President Thompson, the Board of Dierative Wool Marketing Ass'n, the rectors of the American Farm Bu-Michigan wool pool, and branch of reau Federation takes this opportunidence through control of their own get three of the new Congress

> Pres. Thompson's Statement In announcing his acceptance of President Hoover's appointment to the Federal Farm Board to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Alexander Legge, Pres. Thompson of

> the American Farm Bureau said: "I have been moved, first, by the earnest request of the President of the United States that I make available to the Board my understanding the desires of organized agriculure and second, by the unanimous approval of the organization which i has ben my honor to head for the pas

"I feel that in stepping into this new position I am still carrying out the principles to which this organiza tion has been dedicated and for which to the rights and privileges which other groups in our nation's industhrough governmental aid and pro-

"It is as a representative of organized agriculture that I have agreed to serve on the Federal Farm Board. This Board was created by the Agricultural Marketing Act, a measure for which organized agriculture battled for seven long years. That Act laid flowering shrubbery and hedge. No NURSERY, Benton Harbor, Mich. the foundation of a national policy for

agriculture. The full development of his policy holds great promise for the equalization of the economic position of our farm people.

"I have frequently stated in my public addresses that back of the present economic depression is the plight of American agriculture. If the buystored, business in general will soon

#### Slate Wayne Dist. For 4 New Congressmen

Lansing-Re-apportioning the state for the four Congressmen granted to knowledge and experiences in helping this state because of its population gain during the "last 10 years," was seen well toward settlement this

> The senate approved, 28 to 2, Senator Fred W. Harding's bill which would divide the state into the 17 reand share the fourth with Oakland county. Wayne county is entitled to all four, on the strict basis of population gain for the past decade. No present Congressman will be disturbed by the bill.

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Fertilizer Specialist, formerly with State College Soils Dep't, now with Tennessee Copper & Chemical Co. Fertilizer Division.

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little of such materials is used in fertilizers today because such pro-Valley, California. Potash is not 100% soluble in water. changed in any way in the fertilizer plant because it is purchased in a which it is received.

Super-Phosphate Manufacture

tilizer law. Unfortunately it is not ties. received at the fertilizer manufacturing plant in that form. If it is Floriused in testing milk or cream or is soil water before the crop can use it.

put into automobile batteries. This finely ground phosphate rock and acid are mixed together at the rate of approximately 1200 lbs. of the rock dust to 1000 lbs. of sulphuric acid. They are mixed in a large pan for nearly one minute. The treated rock is then dumped into a large bin below, where it is left about 24 hours. It is then taken out and piled in large piles to cure for 60 to 90 days and is chemical industry in the world. It is then in condition to be shipped as super phosphate, formerly called acid

Since MORE phosphate rock is used than acid the product is NOT acid in reaction and does not sour the soil.

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Farmers' Buying Guide

Rates on Application

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Poor Nitrogen Sources

A lot of such materials as feathers, water soluble form and goes into leather scrap, wool and cotton waste, mixed fertilizers in the same form in are treated with acid and used. Also, muck is dried and ground and called humus and is used by some compa-Phosphorous must be available, or nies. Sewage from many of our large Surprise Action Pulls Props soluble in the soil waters to meet cities, castor pomace and tobacco the requirements of the Michigan fer- stems are also used in large quanti-

Fertilizer Laws Behind Of course, only a part of the nitrophur gas. It is the same acid that is cause nitrogen MUST dissolve in the for State charges.



Such low grade materials as muck. Sand is the filler almost universally tobacco stems, etc., must first decay used in fertilizer. A filler is used to before the nitrogen in them is avail-

Fertilizer Nitrogen A "Starter" The idea is sometimes expressed ways charged for the nitrogen that that soluble nitrogen will leach and such substances contain, so they are be lost before the plant can use it. low grade fertilizer carriers and not This notion is not well founded as can be seen very readily when it is nowever, a great many different sub- merely a starter for the crop, and county. stances can be used and are used to should be available when the soil Enlow first came to Covert townfurnish nitrogen. Even though the nitrates are only slowly available ship in 1857, and has lived in Covert potash and phosphorus must be avail-bale or 100% soluble in the soil waters. bale, or 100% soluble in the soil waters, also be available when the plant is boyhood he heard wolves howling nitrogen may be classed as of good young, or in other words, should be around the cabin, which at first had

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such as 1-8-3 which has only 12 units,
hunting and fishing were important
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Application for loan is made
through the County Agricultural the College, and are entirely too exthe College, and are entirely too expensive to be used. For example, ONE CO-OPS OBJECT TO ton of 4-16-4 can be purchased much cheaper than TWO tons of 2-8-2 and contains exactly the same amount of plant food. Fertilizer users in Mich-

Fertilizer Dollar Buys More

than they have been for twenty years. from Farmers' organizations initial payment on the loan is made One dollar will purchase more ferti- throughout the State, accord- The loan may be granted in install-Garden Seed Write the Farm Bureau Bur farmers sold for \$1,000 in 1910-1914 tion to certain routine information ments, the Government deducts inbrought only \$1,118 in 1930, leaving a "and such other information as the terest to November 30 at 5% from the difference to the disadvantage of the commissioner of agriculture shall final loan installment. Loans not farmer of approximately \$382 on the require". Co-ops point out that paid November 30 draws 5% interest thousand. However, the same amount most of the other information re- thereafter. of complete fertilizer which cost \$1,000 in 1910-1914 cost the farmer the State and that failure to specify 1930 drought losses, and which have only \$995 during 1930; and if higher exactly what other information is U. S. approval for the above loans analysis fertilizer had been substi- wanted would make it easy for an are: tuted for low analysis, the same unfriendly secretary to seriously amount of plant food that cost \$1,000 interfere with the business of coin 1910-1914 could be purchased for operative associations. \$925 in 1930.

Fertilizer Buying Points

ever, he should:

ed. See your County Agricultural ing such a bill, or to being placed Agent or write Soils Department at in a position of being obliged to re- Battleship Cost Millions; State College, East Lansing, Mich. strain co-operatives "because of any

3rd. Know the nitrogen which is Rep. James N. McBride of Burpurchased is in a form available to ton, author of the bill, states that battleships is as bad as it is with the crop. It must be water soluble. he is surprised at the oppositon it automobiles, it would seem. The See the nitrogen sources listed above is receiving, and that the bill fol- obsolete battle ship "North Dakota" as "Good Nitrogen Sources."

4th. Purchase fertilizer containing not less than 20% plant food and When buying the spring vegetable many years ago regarded as a first more if the machinery will handle seed get a few packets of hardy an- class fighting unit, cost many milit satisfactorily.

Do these things and you will not FARM BD. DROPS e disappointed. For further information see your

## DROPPED AFTER **PUBLIC HEARING**

From State Building Program

da phosphate, which is considered by gen can be secured from these low the week's legislative surprise March though its Stabilization Corporamost to be the most desirable, it is grade carriers, but the fertilizer inreceived as a coarse gravel. It must dustry has changed a great deal in first be ground very fine. It is then the past few years and our fertilizer.

The announcement brought a first be ground very fine. It is then the past few years and our fertilizer posed 10% tobacco tax bill bearing drop of 11 cents per bushel in June mixed with sulphuric acid. Sulphuric laws have not kept pace. In my his name, and which was supposed to futures on wheat, making that price and Mrs. Fred Koty and Mrs. J. acid is made by burning sulphur and opinion, the law should require at provide \$6,000,000 to finance the Hart- around 56 cents per bushel, the mixing oxygen and steam with sul- least 90% water soluble nitrogen, be- man institutional building program lowest in 35 years.

the public hearing on the tobacco tax the world level. 'Today the Board's retailers and jobbers argued that a about 200,000,000 bushels of wheat. business.

tax, believe it to be another tax rather U. S. plantings of winter wheat are than an effort to relieve real estate. about 1% less than last year. a state income tax is the best means to Farm Board pleas to curtail.

# **TELLS OF WOLVES**

In Van Buren County Since 1857.

noted how small are the amounts of only Covert's oldest resident but is ed American Farm Bureau presi-There is practically no difference fertilizer nitrogen used as compared one of the most interesting of the dent in 1925 on a McNary-Haugen n the phosphorous and potash used with the total nitrogen requirement pioneers of southwestern Michigan platform, has just been appointed by the various fertilizer companies, of the crop. Fertilizer nitrogen is who cleared the forests of Van Buren to the Farm Bureau by President

quality when only 70% or less is as nearly 100% soluble as possible. only a blanket for a door. Later a Too many of us have had wrong second cabin was built and the space notions as to the manufacture and use between the two served as a hall-

> terial is manufactured, so are often but took them only as far as Elkhart, available to farmers in the designated Ind., until he was somewhat settled drought states (Michigan is one). in Covert.

> He walked from Elkhart to what loss in 1930 due to drought; (2) are In 1929, over 50,000 tons or more was named as Sinclair Corners, buy-now unable to finance their 1931 than one-third of the fertilizer used ing 40 acres, unsight, unseen, north planting operations from other sourcin this state had less than 20 units of of Covert. His family eventually es; (3) will give the usual govern-

# MCBRIDE MEASURE

igan would save thousands of All Inclusive Clause Draws and oats, up to \$5 on other crops. Fire of Farmers' Groups

Lansing-Protests on House Bill On receipt of the completed loan ap-Most users do not recognize the No. 138 affecting co-operative mar- plication, note, etc., at the Farmers fact that fertilizers are cheaper today keting associations are rolling in Seed Loan Office at Washington, lizer today than it would during the ing to Rep. Miles M. Callaghan of ments subject to reports on previous ties purchased for \$1,000 in 1910-1914 a single day. Objection seems to be centered against a clause in the by lien are sold before that date. To ly \$1,500; while the produce which bill which would require in addi-eliminate figuring interest on install-

When interviewed by the NEWS shortly after the bill was introduced Commissioner of Agriculture In view of these facts, farmers can Herbert N. Powell said "from what well afford to use liberal quantities he could learn of the bill he would of fertilizers on 1931 crops. How-neither oppose nor favor it." He objected to saddling any clerical 1st. Know the analysis best adapt- expense on his dep't for administer-2nd. Know how much to use in the conclusions I might draw from

their reports." lows the New York law.

nual flowers.

## WHEAT PRICE PEG **EFFORTS JULY**

June Wheat Falls 11 Cents; Equalization Fee Heard Again.

Washington-First important act of the Federal Farm Board after farmer's need for both life and Chairman Stone succeeded Alexan- auto insurance. Gilbert Scott of der Legge was to announce that the State Farm Bureau spoke on after July 1 the Board would not the Federal Farm Board and Farm Lansing—Senator Lennon provided buy wheat in the open market Bureau work in Michigan.

The Board will continue to buy held at Portland. Senator Lennon's action came after old wheat to hold the price above March 25 when Michigan tobacco Stabilization Corporation owns 10% tax would drive them out of Some believe it will own more by July 1. In the meantime the Board Mr. Lennon said the hearing con- is selling some of its wheat which is vinced him that 90% of the people stored in seaboard elevators to are opposed to any form of a sales make room for the new crop. Total

He said further that in his opinion the Hartman building program provision it owns, it is said. If plantings are for \$2,179,000 for 1932 is the most less than usual, the Board expects logical item to lop off the State to sell wheat. If plantings are largbudget so as not to exceed the \$29,- er, it may hold its wheat indefinite 500,000 State tax limit set by Mr. ly. Winter wheat acreage has not Brucker. He reiterated his belief that decreased appreciably in response

of relieving the real estate tax situa- Apparently, nothing short of tretion, but said that nothing could be mendous wheat failure somewhere accomplished along that line in a in the world between now and July 1 can prevent both old and new U S. wheat from approaching world prices after July 1.

Shortly after Mr. Stone's announcement the old equalization fee or McNary-Haugen plan, vetoed twice by President Coolidge, raised its head again. Prominent supporters-Senator James Watson Michael Enlow Has Lived of Indiana-administration leader, and long-time McNary-Haugenite. The American Farm Bureau, which supported the Farm Board's stabilization program, after long support of the McNary-Haugen equalization Covert-Michael Enlow, 80, is not fee plan. Sam H. Thompson, elect-

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## Junkman Pays \$87,000

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#### Ionia Bureau Wants Real Estate Relief tes. Franklin.

ncome tax to reduce general prop- tion,-Thorwaldsen. erty tax levy for State and school purposes, and the writing into the State constitution of a maximum tax on real estate for all purposes were adopted at the first 1931 quarterly meeting of the Ionia County Farm Bureau at Ronald

Grange hall this year. Alfred Bentall of the State Farm Mutual Companies presented the Stanley Powell and Mrs. J. R.

Spurrier are to secure speakers for the joint farmers meeting at the The announcement brought a Ionia Free Fair August 21.

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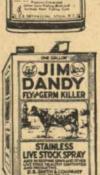
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did you do it?"

to see you happily married; and it

Charles returned to the hotel that

encountered Kenser in the hall and

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A man called John Anderson is found dead in his bed in an Alexandria hotel. Col. Tesserton, the British Consul, thinks others, "the five of us here, and as I believe you're right." he smiled "Of Prince Stephen was traveling with the state of the believe you're right." he smiled "Of Prince Stephen was traveling with the state of the believe you're right." he smiled "Of Prince Stephen was traveling with the state of the believe you're right." Col. Tesserion, the Commandant, told you, Kenser and Nico." Rawden and Dr. Loland believe he killed himself. The death is a great shock to Herr Kenser, the Hotel Manager. Do-Colonel. lores, beautiful daughter of Tesserton, identifies Otto Reiss, a German an- was me," Charles replied, "and he learned his identity, there was a in my heart he will be glad to be sail by the Queen Theodora that calls for 125,000 tons of steel, derson the night before. A young man, Charles Lestrange, arrives from Cairo and falling in love with Dolores, introduces himself to her on the beach, She finds out." agrees to see him again on the morrow.

Colonel, who knows nothing of the truth, allowed to live as a human being." waits for a reply to his cable, fearing Dolores will get a shock when she finds her finnce is an imposter.

The answer to the cable shows Lestrange in a bad light. The Colonel denounces him. Count Balametz, of the Carpathian Embassy, arrives to identify the supposed dead King and meets Lestrange, whose identity is thereby revealed. He insists he is going to marry Dobrother, Stephen, and orders Count Balametz to transfer his allegiance to Prince Stephen as the new King. Balametz re-

#### CHAPTER 5

The commandant and Dr. Loland were about to go out for their midday meal at the English Club when a police officer entered to say that Mrs. Taylor, proprietress of a cheap rooming house, was asking for an inter-

She explained that a certain artist, a Mr. Griggs, had remained as her solitary lodger, being unable to find the money either to pay his bill or his passage home. On the previous Wednesday, exactly a week ago, he had left the house in the evening and had not been seen or heard of since.

She handed his picture to Captain Rawden, who examined it closely, and suddenly started to his feet, calling Dr. Loland to him. He, too, scrutinized the photograph, and showed every sign of perplexity.

"The beard is much fuller," he whispered to the Commandant, "but the features are the same." He turned to Mrs. Taylor. "What was he wearing when he went away?" he asked. "A dark blue suit," she said.

"Was there anything special about him which would help to identify

"Well, he was left-handed." The Doctor looked at the

ant. "Well, I'll be hanged!" he muttered. "Do you know him? Have you seen

him?" Mrs. Taylor asked. Captain Rawden hedged, "I'm not

sure," he told her. "But I'll make investigations at once, and do what I can. Come and see me tomorrow."

As soon as the door closed upor her he turned to Dr. Loland. "My God!" he exclaimed. "What do you make of it?"

The Doctor, whose mind worked quickly, had seen the explanation of the matter in a flash, and he now communicated it to his colleague. In due course they presented them-

selves before Colonel Tesserton.

"I say!" Gerald Rawden announced, "the body we thought was John Anderson's was really somebody else's. John Anderson-the King-is probably alive.'

Colonel Tesserton displayed none of the surprise they had expected. "Yes", he said, "The King's in the drawing-room. You'd better come in and join the party; we're having the devil of a row.

"Good Lord!" Captain Rawden exclaimed. "Where has he been hiding?" "He hasn't been hiding. He's been making love to my daughter for the

past week. He's Lestrange." "What! O, the rotter! Then he knew all the time he couldn't marry individual that I shall marry her."

her! I'd like to punch his head." "Well, that's how I felt, too," the Colonel answered. "But he says he did mean to marry her; in fact they asked.

are going to be married." "Queen Dolores," murmured Dr. Loland, with a nervous giggle.

"No, he has resigned-abdicated, or whatever you call it. I say, I've made an awful fool of myself about him, you know. You see, I couldn't believe he was a King; and I called him a would your supposed suicide." cad and an imposter and a liar and

heavens knows what else." "I suppose you apologized," said Gerald Rawden.

"Oh, yes, I had to; though, mind you, I don't feel he has behaved very he was murdered," he said. "I think concern.

the King, but the Count won't recognize this, at any rate, not until Prince stephen arrives. Meanwhile the King who know the truth."

Colonel Tesserton was truth. "No." the unbending Count Bala-

man who had shot himself. . . . "Griggs was his name," the Com-

mandant put in.

"This makes seven people in the secret," said Charles, greeting the

"What about Reiss?" asked the

"Reiss knows that John Anderson I'm going to see to it that he never

Luncheon was a remarkable affair. Reiss warns the Colonel to keep an "What I want you all to understand," you were to go back to your throne, it'll be your job to tell the Prince eye on Lestrange as a suspicious per- said Charles, "is that I am simply The young man is questioned by claiming my rights as an individual. Tesserton and gives satisfactory answers regarding his movements on the night Anderson was killed. He asks Dolores to marry him, explaining he is well off and can support her in comfort. The Colonel, on hearing of his daughter's end. gagement, demands proofs of Lestrange's here and now that if you won't do so, wealth and cables to England for verifiif you won't let my death be announif you won't let my death be announcation. Meanwhile Kenser discovers that cation. Meanwhile Kenser discovers that Lestrange is really King Charles of Carpathia. The latter takes him into his confidence and explains how he happen-have done my duty as a King to the confidence and explains how he happen-have done my duty as a King to the my duty to do so."

If you won't let my death be announsated the function of the functi ed to change places with Anderson. The best of my ability. Now I ask to be my duty to do so."

Count Balametz, at whom he was sionate fevour. "Your first duty is to Dr. Loland smiled. "I'll fix it so he looking, remained stern. "A King," yourself and to me. You and I can't recognize it."

gain the whole world and lose his own mine, could you?" His Majesty is in search of surrounds the life of a King?"

Colonel Tesserton intervened, "His Majesty has a duty to the woman he

representing the police in charge of you say that, Doctor?" he asked. brother, there had been no decision; reason why the Prince should know himself that it would be unrecognizit depended on the final attitude of that you are alive at all. Obviously, able. the count. The train did not leave the best thing is to let him think you On the following morning, Thurs- Project 3 N. Y. City Blocks

Count Balametz-outwardly calm, will have to accept the crown."

idea that I am Charles Lestrange, and back to his throne.

In dread she gripped his hand. "If Suez with Rawden, won't you? And ametz. I should die," she whispered.

"But I am not going back, beloved," assassinated and bring him here to

"No", he answered, "I would never sir, where the body is? I think we had What to Plant for Pasture "But it isn't your duty! it couldn't "Oh, but supposing Stephen wants

He smiled shyly; but the face of be!" she told him, speaking with pas- to have a look at it?" said Charles. bring out the best in each other, and "We'd better send for Nico." "I don't agree," said Dolores. death. You couldn't surely think it arranged the theft for me." What shall it profit a man if he your duty to kill your soul or to kill As a result of these deliberations right now

Nico was instructed to hand over the He took her in his arms and dried body to Dr. Loland that night. lores and surrender the crown to his his soul. It is a man's first duty to her tears with his kisses. "You have "O, and Nico, can you suggest a find first his own soul; and how can shown me what it is to be a human means of preventing Herr Reiss from he find it in all that artifciality which being, Dolores. You have made me sailing by the Queen Theodora tounderstand what there is in human morrow night? We can't apply to his "How can he find it in a life devoid nature that raises it so high, so high Consul for a warrant of detention, beof duty and self-sacrifice?" asked the that God Himself can think us worth cause there's nothing definite against bothering about.'

"It was nearly five o'clock before "Well," Nico replied, "Herr Reiss they went back to the hotel, and the has been having dealings with me-1



"If you were to go back to your throne, I should die," she whispered.

duty to the State. The woman he had both returned when they arrived, must be willing to remain behind the Balametz was still upstairs. your daughter as Queen; and there- Count up; he's asleep." fore, as I say, she must pay the penalty. She cannot be his wife."

Charles raised his hand in a gestsult Miss Tesserton," he said, "by asking my people's opinion about her; nor would I do her the injury of inviting her to share the imprisonment of my throne. No!-it is as a private individual that I have been honoured a hurry. with her love, and it is as a private

fuses to accept the crown?" the Count ito Suez to meet the Prince."

it, or his eldest son."

"That would mean revolution," said Count Balametz. "Your Majesty's abdication, followed by the inevitable of the sun," Dr. Loland replied. "It's said Herr Kenser nervously. renunciation of his rights by Prince nothing serious; but he won't be able "No, I shan't forget. My dear fel-Peter, would shake the dynasty. So

"Well, what's the general position now?" Dr. Loland asked. "We'd better understand it if we're going in."

Well, what's the general position of His Majesty, if it were announced at the moment when him not to come down. I'll give him a dose presently. He's had quite a success, you know, because I am going the larger park there will be larger park the larger park the will be larger park th better understand it if we're going in."

Prince Stephen arrived, would turn a dose presently. He's had quite a success, you know, because I am going in the larger park, there will be the trick. In my opinion there is no run of bad luck; he's been stung by a r "The position," the Colonel explained, "is that he says he is no longer

King Charles is dead—murdered by and, when he moved, it stung him. I

"No," the unbending Count Bala the thought that Dolores would have "How would it be," he asked, "if has been telling us the whole story metz replied. "I cannot be a party to to look after the Count until the fol- you were to write me a note, signed of how he changed places with his this fraud. It is my duty to tell His lowing day, and he was relieved when by John Anderson, and dated a week

When the party broke up the quest that night and again in the morning run? The Prince will recognize your tion as to who should go to Suez to "Well, now," he said, at length, Majesty's handwriting, of course." He led them at length into the drawing-room—two awkward men, cided; but it was to be assumed that coming sir?" He turned to the King. and he presently wrote a laudatory obviously embarrassed by the situa- the journey would be made by Count Dr. Loland interposed, "No; His message in pencil upon the back of

"No!" the Count retorted. "A King, had scrambled into his clothes again ing to mess up the whole thing. like a soldier, has no duty to any and had rejoined Dolores in the hall. And, besides that, you see, your fath- yield around 21/2 tons of hay per acre. woman which can come before his Captain Rawden and Dr. Loland er is my friend."

loves, the woman who loves him, must and were talking to Colonel Tesserpay the price of loving a king; she ton in the drawing-room; but Count evening soon after ten o'clock. He scenes. With all due respect to you, "Hurry into some clothes, Dolores," suggested a few moments' conversa-Colonel Tesserton, I tell you that the her father said. "Tea is ready. I sup- tion.

"Asleep, is he?" he said. He turned ed to disappear. As no doubt you've bles generally come when native pasto the Colonel. "I think, if I may, I already heard from Nico, my identi- tures dry up. This situation is ag-

ure of pacification. "I would not in- will go up to him myself. I shouldn't ty was discovered today; but my gravated this year by loss of seedings be surprised if he needed medical at- friends have promised to keep my and close pasturing of hay fields last feeding tention.

> up, she asked him why he was in such to his lips, "The Count is very ill," he "Ah, that's what nobody knows, It and wet. The soil should be well pre-

Dolores followed him, and, half-way assassinated."

Some minutes passed before he re-suspicion will fall on you." "Then I shall abdicate," Charles turned to the drawing room, and The manager's eyes became large and you can sow the required amount. answered, "and force him to accept when he did so his face was grave. with fright. "But . ." he stammered. Sudan grass can be seeded in late "What's the matter?" the Colonel

Charles laughed. "I'm afraid the Count has a touch "I hope Your Majesty won't forget," to go to Suez with us. He'll have to low, d'you think I'd run the risk of

tay the night where he is."
your giving the show away, which, of "O, poor chap," said Charles. "I course, you would do to save your stay the night where he is."

Colonel Tesserton was troubled at posal?" the Doctor offered to come in late ago, telling me how well my hotel is

Balametz, Colonel Tesserton and Majesty will stay behind." Charles an old dinner menu which the Captain Rawden, the last named as glanced at him in surprise. "Why do manager had produced from his

the "John Anderson" case. As to "Well", was the reply, "since Count Meanwhile Dr. Loland had received whether the King would meet his Balametz is unable to go, there is no the body in the morgue and satisfied

are dead. Then, without question, he day, he went first to the police station, where he was handed a telebut inwardly quivering-was shown Charles was silent for a moment, graph message from Gerald Rawden, up to his bedroom to rest. Charles Here, indeed, was the crisis of the ad- which had been sent off from Suez at and Dolores went to the beach and venture; for, after this, there could about 7 a. m. It gave him the welbelieve you're right," he smiled. "Of Prince Stephen was traveling was at offices, etc., will begin to take form But Dolores was troubled. The course it will be a shock for Stephen; that hour just coming into the roadrealization that Charles was the King but later on when he is established stead, and it was to be presumed. was not yet established in her mind. at Stanzow, I'll let him into the secret. therefore, that His Royal Highness ever let—was given to the Ameri-For the first time since she had Poor old Stephen . . . ! Still, I know would reach Alexandria in time to can Bridge Company recently. In night.

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**EMERGENCY HAY** 

Or Hay Crop for This Summer By K. K. VINING

Kent County Agr'l Agent he replied, "has, unfortunately, no to be separated would be spiritual Charles explained. "It was he who hay or pasture this summer? Is a quest of agriculture reports that in 1929 tion being asked by many farmers the average individual ate 136.8

There are some crops that can be the figure was at 130 pounds. planted this spring and early summer that will produce hay and pasture

> FOR HAY Oats and Peas

There are two crops that can be grown for hay. One is a mixture of ats and peas (Canadian field peas). This crop should be planted at regu-

lar oat seeding time. Use a mixture hour had struck by the time Charles mean a friend of mine-about the of oats and peas; bushel for bushe! purchase of some antiques; and per- Sow 2 to 21/2 bushels of the mixture haps I could lay information that per acre.

what is being sold to him is stolen Use this mixture on heavier types

tember. Some cut the hay with a binder and cure out in bundles. If Dolores stared at him. "But why tember. Some cut the hay with a The Doctor bowed. "I did it for cut with a mower cure the crop as Arbor Poultry Farm, Spring Arbor, Mich

you," he smiled. "I like you. I want you would clover or alfalfa. Three years' test at Michigan State seemed to me that the Count was go- College show the two varieties of soybeans recommended in this article to A number of farmers in Kent county who have fed soybean hay report good results. There is a sufficient amount results. There is a sufficient amount Woodford breeding at sensible prices, A of soybean seed in Michigan to supply M. Todd Company, Mentha, Mich. (3-14-8t-15b) the demand.

FOR PASTURE

her father said. "Tea is ready. I suppose I had better go and wake the Count up; he's asleep."

Dr. Loland looked up quickly. The fact is I've definitely decidness of the count of the count of the count up; he's asleep."

The suggested a few moments conversation.

If you sowed rye last fall your early spring pasture problem is solved, for spring pasture problem is solved, people of Carpathia would not accept pose I had better go and wake the "I thought you'd be wondering," spring pasture problem is solved, for WANTED—ONE HUNDRED POUND feeding pigs. Eli Lindsey & Son, Delton, Barry County, Michigan. (3-28-tf-14b) secret and to say I am dead. I didn't year.

Dr. Loland left the room in haste. commit suicide, by the way: I was There is a pasture crop that will come on in July and provide pasture "Oh, dear, I'm sorry to hear it." until frost comes. This crop is Sudan
Herr Kenser replied, an anxious note grass. Sudan grass can be grown on falfa hay. Lester Allen, Ithaca, Mich. To her surprise he put his fingers in his voice. "Who was the assassin?" a variety of soils excepting those cold "And supposing Prince Stephen re- whispered. "He will not be able to go will only be fair to find an alibi for pared and firmed down in good shape. old Reiss, of course; so I suppose Sow about 20-25 lbs. per acre. Set your grain drill for 2 pecks of wheat The manager's eyes became large and you can sow the required amount.

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Dr. Loland unexpectedly entered the largest in the country, will have to revise their figures, for Governor Roose-took the was a man who very faithfully fulfilled his promises, "is how to get be a deal of the country, will have to revise the country will have t yourself in the short time at your dis-protected against both fire and timber cutting.

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Washington-You, an individual Michigan Livestock Exchange ate 131.7 pounds of meat in 1930, less than the average per capita consumption of meat for any year Grand Rapids-What can I plant for of the last eleven. The department Producers Co-op Com. Assn. pounds of meat. In 1919, however,

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WANTED WORK ON FARM BY high school boy during summer vacafon which starts second week in June. Some experience in general farm work. Don Page, 1317 Roosevelt, Lansing, Michigan. (3-28-1t)

WANTED-WORK ON FARM BY high school boy during summer vacation which starts second week in June. Have had some experience in general farm work. LeRoy Brenke, 1425 Knollwood Ave., Lansing, Michigan. (3-28-lt)

WANTED-WORK BY YEAR ON

general or dairy farm by experienced married man. Family includes boys 18 and 16. Worker, William E. Cassel, 913 Pacific street, Lansing, Mich. (3-28-lt) Livestock.

YOUNG MAN, 31, WITH FAMILY wants work by year on farm. Raised on farm, has farmed himself. Willing worker. Roy Woodard, Sunshine Gardens, R-1, Lansing, Mich. (3-28)

WANTED-FARM WORK BY MONTH or day by single man, 21. Lived on farm all my life. Willis Ploughman, Lansing, R-1 % Charlie Dunn. (3-28)

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CERTIFIED WOLVERINE SEED oats, winner 1st prize Yale fair, 2nd at Armada. Price 75c a bushel. Snarton Barley, registered quality, Won 1st at Armada fair, 2nd at Yale. \$1.10 per bu. Charles Eisen & son, St. Clair, R-2, Mich. (3-28-1t)

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## HOME AND FAMILY PAGE

Edited by MRS. EDITH M. WAGAR.

## RING FINGER AND OTHER NOTIONS **INCREDIBLY OLD**

Common Beliefs Rooted Deep In Past, Says U. of M. Teacher.

Ann Arbor-Ancient Egyptians be lieved that a delicate nerve ran from the third finger to the heart. The heart was regarded as the seat of love, and hence the third finger was the appropriate place for the engagement ring, said Dr. Eugene S. McCartney in describing "Folklore Heirlooms" in his recent address as president of the Michigan Academy of Science, Arts and Letters.

Another superstition that carries back to ancient days and lives in the present is the notion that a bride should step over a church sill with her right foot first. It is traceable directly to the Roman belief that everyone should enter temples with the right foot. In some parts of America and in Scotland the notion exists that it is bad luck for a bride to stumble at her husband's door, and so the custom of carrying her over.

The underlying belief that the dead may injure the living is strikingly seen in the attention which was given the so-called "curse of King Tut" after several members of the British expedition which excavated the old Egyptain's tomb died within a few years. Withering of trees is considered a sign of death as when the laurel grove out side Rome is said to have died during the last days of Emperor Nero, and this line of Caesars came to an end.

"The roots of the present lie deep in the past," says Dr. McCartney. All of us can think of a few popular superstitions,-knocking on wood, walking under a ladder and the like, but few who have not studied the subject on a wide scale realize the great number of hangovers from the past, or how niavely many are still followed in this supposedly coldly scientific age."

Superstitions about death, omens of impending death and fear of the powers of the spirits of the dead are very common, from the earliest history of man to the present. The owl and the crow or raven have always been regarded as harbingers of death. When, in a recent moving picture of Ramona the audience saw a crow flutter against the window of a sickroom they observed a portent of impending death which traces its roots at least to the days of the Greeks and Romans.

## Famed Rooster Goes

Deland, Fla-One of the most inspection by the postoffi show, said last week that he had furnished the original bird which preceded countless showings of Pathe films.

Silver King Coal is big, blocky, clean burning.

Republic Fuel Company BAY CITY and LANSING Offices



"Ella's oldest girl was over to see me yesterday, wantin' my advice about her love affair.

"She is bein' courted by a baldheaded widower, an' she can't make up her mind whether to be satisfied with him or take a chance on doin' better if she

"She says she don't mind his bein' a widower an' she don't care Spring chicken herself, but she can't help wishin' he had a regular helpin' o' hair an' that makes her think she don't love him.

"I told the little goose to go an' take him. She ain't wildly in love with him, maybe, but nobody is wild about a bald head. It just don't go with ro-mance. The kind o' love that fits a bald head is just a nice friendly feelin', mixed with pity an' faith.

"You can trust a bald head. A woman that's married to one don't have to worry or be gnawed by jealousy when her husband is away over night. Maybe she's seen girls try to flirt with him when his hat was on, but she's also seen the look that came in their eyes when he took his hat off. It's the same kind o' look a little boy has when he finds out there ain't no Santa

"I'd take a bald man ever' time. He might hanker to be a ladies' man, but he wouldn't try it more'n once. There ain't nothin' that makes a man appreciate his wife stare from other women."

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## Hatchery Insures Its

Kalamazoo-Since 1925 baby life insurance policies. State Farms Ass'n supervises a co-operative effort among farmers in that terri-

Into Film Discard A State Farms poncy state rarival at the customer's post office. Upon familiar figures in all filmdom, agrees to replace any chicks dead heralded the opening of every The policy is issued without charge cloth, Pathe film. Dr. Lincoln Orr, man- by these farmers to provide a defiager of the Madison Square Poultry nite guarantee of the quality of the chicks.

many years.

stair step which will make a convenient place for storing rubbers.

## 1,000 Men Forty Years Old

They are somewhere near the half-way point in bringing up their families, and maybe more than that in paying for their homes.

What each man longs for is financial security.

He can have it simply by purchasing a sufficient amount of life insurance to cover his needs. The amount may not be large, but immediately it is issued, his estate is assured that amount. Paying for it each year, a little at a time, a man saves money, builds up a financial reserve fund, protects his family and property, and builds a fund for his old age.

State Farm Life Insurance policy plans are especially adapted to farmers' needs. You should know what we offer before you take a policy anywhere. We are glad to explain, and without obligation.

Of the 1,000 Men Above at 43 Mortality Tables Say 10 Will Die Within the Year.

State Farm Life Insurance Co. Bloomington, Ill.

Michigan State Farm Bureau Lansing, Mich. State Agent

## The Man Behind The Plow

By S. E. KISER

They sing about the glories of the man behind the gun, And the books are full of stories of the wonders he has done; There's something sort of thrilling in the flag that's waving high And it makes you want to holler when the boys are marching by, But when the shouting's over and the fighting's done, somehow We find we're still depending on the man behind the plow.

We're building mighty cities, we're gaining lofty heights, We're winning lots of glory and we're getting things to rights, We're showing whole creation how the world's effairs should run; Future men will gaze in wonder at the things that we have done. But they'll overlook the follow-just the same as we do now Who's the whole world's foundation,-that's the man behind the plow.

#### Women And The Farm Bureau

By Mrs. Edith Wagar

Mrs. Adah Baird of Hopkins, Alle- seeds of known origin, fertilizer of gan county, says, "We have belonged right analysis and other commodities.

poor seed than the Farm Bureau dues and supper. have ever cost us.

dollars to us and our family.

Bureau will live forever. Mrs. Faith Gale of Mecosta, Mecosta county, says, "I am glad that our family is one of the million farm fam-

much to me and I trust that the Farm

ilies that belong to this great nation al co-operative organization. The benefits are many and all are good, Recently we asked several women' so good that every farmer should be of our acquaintance in various parts a member and take advantage of of the State to give us their viewpoint them. It gives us a voice in State as women about the Farm Bureau or- and National legislation. It acts as a ganization. All of them have been central purchasing agent for several members for years and speak from hundred co-operative associations in our state for open formula feeds.

to the Farm Bureau ever since it "We feel our organization can help started in Allegan county some 11 or to solve the tax problem if anybody 12 years ago. We feel that if the can. And last, but not least, we en-Farm Bureau had done nothing ex- joy the social side of the Farm Burcept introduce pure seed in our state, eau. At our annual and quarterly it has done its duty to the farmer. | meetings we have wonderful times "We tried years ago for alfalfa but usually all day affairs with bountiful with small results as the seed was potluck dinners followed with pronot adapted to our soil and climate. grams of home talent and speakers But now in a normal year and with from our own state or county. And seed that we know we can depend up- the visit with our farm folks from all on, we can get a fine stand of alfalfa parts of the county is always looked

forward to with great expectancy, "We have wasted more money on even if we are a bit late with chores

Mrs. Besse Harvey of Cass county "In raising more alfalfa, we have says, "The Farm Bureau has rendered been able to keep more and better a service for farm folks that cannot cows and in that way have increased be reckoned in dollars and cents. It our income. With the income we brought State College Agr'l Extension have been able to have electricity and work to many counties in our state the conveniences that go with it It gave unstintingly of its funds, even which has meant comfort as well as to the extent of crippling its other activities that our farm men, women Mrs. Musa MacGregor of Constan- and children might continue to enjoy tine, St. Joseph county, says, "The extension privileges. Thousands o Chicks for 30 Days Farm Bureau has meant much to me; farm families owe a debt of gratitude the outstanding thing is, I believe, to this organization for its unselfish the contact with the fine people support, and the Farm Bureau has a chicks leaving the State Farms through the Farm Bureau and its right to look to them for enrollment Ass'n hatchery here have carried work. Just to know that farmers are and loyalty that it may give full organized in a business way, means measure of service in other ways."

### **Our Kitchen Laboratory**

will be seen no more. The Pathe or in bad condition on arrival. Second forated cover for sowing seeds such as circle to darkest Africa—wherever motion pictures are shown—has been shelved in favor of a new latter of the policy is that the leather with a soft cloth wrung ont of this solution. Then wipe with the leather with a soft cloth wrung ont of this solution. Then wipe with the leather with a soft cloth wrung ont of this solution. Then wipe with the leather with a soft cloth wrung ont of this solution. Then wipe with the leather with a solution. Then wipe with the leather with a solution of this solution. Then wipe with the leather with a solution of this solution of this solution of this solution that would improve and organization that would improve and leather with a solution. Then wipe with the leather with a solution of this solution. Then wipe with the leather with a solution of this solution of this solution. Then wipe with the leather with a solution of this solution of this solution. Then wipe with the leather with a solution of this solution of this solution. Then wipe with the leather with a solution of this solution of this solution of this solution. Then wipe with the leather with a solution of this solution of this solution. Then wipe with the leather with a solution of this solution. Then wipe with the leather with a solution of this solution of this solution. Then wipe with the leather with a solution of the backing powder can with personal time there has been a growing desire to each time there has been a growing desire to each or a baking powder can with personal time there has been a growing desire to each or a baking powder can with personal time there has been a growing desire to each or a baking powder can with personal time there has been a growing desire to each or a baking powder can with personal time there has been a growing desire to each or a baking powder can with personal time there has been a growing desire to each or a baking powder can with personal time there has been a gro been shelved in favor of a new rooster with protect the industry. There are those forms for the rooster with the register well in natural colors. When first seven days. Third feature is that every chick lost from the 8th of the rooster with holes may be enlarged to accommodate on first seven days. Third feature is that the purchase price. The policy is issued without charge of the policy is inches bust measured to accommodate that would improve and date others. This saves time, patience and waste of seed when making gar-being the policy in favor of a clean cloth and polish with a cloth date others. This saves time, patience and waste of seed when making gar-being the policy in favor of a clean cloth and polish with a cloth date others. This saves time, patience and waste of seed when making gar-being the policy in favor of a policy in fa been shelved in favor of a new first seven days. Third feature is a clean cloth and polish with a cloth date others. This saves time, patience organization that would improve and date others. This saves time, patience organization that would improve and date others. This saves time, patience organization that would improve and date others.

pan act as a pleasant fumigator, and thoroughly dry before painting the be of genuine benefit to both the in- 1% yard 39 inches wide. During the early part of 1931, the utes during the smoking, then opened, is always dry to walk on. supply of labor for farm work is expected to be abundant and farm kraut, burnt milk, etc., will disapwages probably will be lower than pear. This method will also rid cur- house is a small washboard that can The officers are Mrs. Nora B. Mus- with long sleeves. For contrasting during and corresponding period in tains and draperies of the odor of be bought at a dime store. It can be son, Edmore, president; Mrs. Edgar material 1/2 yard is required, cut stale tobacco smoke. ---

Put a hinged lid on the lower into the soup that is too salty. They Put a few slices of raw potatoes ed in the family wash. will absorb the surplus salt.

> painted once in a while with old shoes and a fall will be averted. crank case oil, mites will cease to trouble the hens.

When egg yolks are left from widows that stick. baking, drop them carefully into boiling salted water and cook until well or sandwich filling.

This recipe column is establish-

ed with the hope of a mutual ex-

BAKED BROWN BREAD

By Mrs. Adah Baird

1 cup sour milk

1 cup sweet milk

1 cup white flour

2 teaspoons soda

1/2 cup sugar

teaspoon salt

2 cups graham flour

2 tablespoons syrup

2 tablespoons shortening

Nuts or fruit may be added.

BEAN SOUP

By Mrs. Chas. H. Mattison

1 cup dry beans covered with water

pacon rinds then mash. Add 1 pint of

**Favorite** 

Recipes

contributions.

if the windows are closed a few min- others. In this way every other step dustry and its members. One of the handiest tools in the ing of turkeys as represented.

used in a pail or dish pan in washing Case, Benzonia, vice president; and crosswise. With short sleeves it rethe little "extras" that are not includ- J. A. Hannah, East Lansing, sec'y- quires 2% yards. The tie of ribbon

If perches in the hen house are adhesive tape to the bottom of the hatching. She was wise in her small

Try using slightly dampened soap

done. They may be used for salads garment, fasten the new onto the old efforts to this number that she may and pull through the casing.

FOAMY HONEY SAUCE

By Miss Barber-Kelloggs

change among our readers. We desire reliable recipes, appropriate for general farm use. We will appreciate

> CORN FLAKE CHARLOTTE By Miss Barber-Kelloggs

layer of corn flakes, cover with apple ment both local and state. sauce to which the rind of 1/2 lemon been added. Top with corn flakes and haphazard methods in breeding, care dot with butter. Bake 15 minutes in or marketing if success is desired, moderate over. Serve with cream.

APPLE SALAD By Miss Barber-Kelloggs

dice them without peeling; add 1 cup succeed in this enterprise." Let stand over night. In morn- rice krispies, 1 cup chopped celery, 1/4 ng, drain and cover with fresh water. cup whipped cream and 1/4 cup maypepper. Cook until tender. Remove paprika.

POOR PA



givin' girls advice about their love affairs or wives advice about their husbands," I says to Ma. "You've made enough enemies that way." "I don't see any harm-" Ma

"When Lucy asked your advice about marryin' Tom," I reminded her, "you advised her not to take him, but they married the next month an' both of 'em have hated

"I thought Lucy was a real friend," Ma says, "an' I-"

"You also thought Grace was a real friend," I says. "When Grace told you what a terrible brute her husband was you advised her to quit him, an' what happened? The next day they walked by here arm

in arm an' wouldn't speak to you.' "When anybody asks my honest

"When a woman asks your honest opinion about a man," I says, "don't give it to her. Honest opinions about things like that always make enemies. When a wife goes around tellin' people that her husband beats an' starves her, she's goin' to cling to him forever, an' when a girl asks your opinion fellow she's goin' with, she just wants you to praise him. No woman pays any attention to good

"I guess you're right," Ma says. "I know when my people advised me not to marry you. I got so mad I wouldn't speak to 'em."

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# FORM AN ASS'N

Would Protect and Delevop Important, Growing Business.

that are in daily use, paint alternate adequately protected. They believe Without capelets 31/4 yards. Tie and

Their aims are honest advertising, upright business methods and market-

treas.

Mrs. Musson's experience in turkey To prevent slipping on newly raising began in a small way by polished floors, fasten a few strips of purchasing three dozen eggs for beginning at that, for she chose from the very best stock of Mammoth on bureau drawers, or doors and Bronze breed and has carefully built up her flock until now she aims to put on the market between three and When putting new elastic in a four hundred each year, limiting her emphasize quality rather than quant-

She specializes in breeding stock milk and 1 teaspoon celery salt. Heat but do not boil. Serves three soup but all birds that do not come up to plates full. This is a very good supper her strict standard for breeding purposes are sold as market fowls to special customers in Detroit and New York. She also caters to the egg and poultry market during the spring months

Cream together 1/4 cup honey with Mrs. Musson is a busy farm woman, 14 cup butter; add gradually 1 cup not only with home duties but she powdered sugar; add 1 well beaten has taken a keen interest in all worth egg. Just before serving add 1 cup while community work. She is a whipping cream. This is excellent member of Montcalm County Farm Bureau Board of Directors, Lecturer of Pomona Grange, member of County Republican Committee, active in church work, also County Chairman of Extension work and takes a prom-In a buttered casserole spread a inent part in the Woman's Club move-

She warns those contemplating enor juice of 1/2 lemon or 1/2 orange has tering the turkey industry against "One must have a liking for the business. The work must hold a certain fascination for the grower and he must be of a temperament not Wash 4 large red apples, core and easily discouraged if he expects to

Scrubbing brushes or brooms will Add a few bacon rinds for seasoning onnaise. Serve immediately on let-last twice as long if they are given an ogether with salt and a dash of red tuce leaf. Garnish with dash of occasional wash in a strong solution of salt and water and allow to dry in the open air.

## Farm News Patterns



7112. Ladies' Dress
Designed in Sizes: 34, 36, 38, 40 and yards of 32 inch material. Belt, col-12 inches bust measure. A 38 inch lar and sleeve facings of contrasting size requires 51/4 yards of 39 inch ma- material, requires 1/2 yard 32 inches terial. Facings of contrasting ma- wide. terial requires % yard 39 inches wide,

years. A 16 year size requires 51/2 long sleeves. With short sleeve exvards of 39 inch material. To line tensions, the material will be 1/2 yard jacket requires 1% yard. The tie re- less. To trim as illustrated requires quires % yard of a bias strip of ma- 234 yards of lace and 31/2 yards of interial 5 inches wide.

6664: Ladies' Morning Frock. Cut in Sizes: Small, 34-36; Medium, 38-40; Large, 42-44; and Extra Large, 46-48 inches bust measure. A Medium years. A 6 year size requires 1% size requires 31/4 yards of 36 inch ma- yard of 35 inch material. The facings terial. For collar, belt and pockets of contrasting material requires 1/2 The Michigan Turkey Growers' As- of contrasting material % yard of 36 yard 35 inches wide cut crosswise. ciation was completed Farmers inch material is required cut cross To wash leather on furniture, Use an empty talcum powder can Week in early February. For some wise. The width of the Dress at the

Coffee beans burned on an old steps allowing them to become the forming of this association will belt of contrasting material requires

7129. Girls! Dress Designed in Sizes: 6, 8, 10 and 12 years. A 12 year size requires 25% yards of 35 inch material, if made

7133, Boys' "Overalls" Designed in Sizes: 4, 6, 8, 10 and 12

requires 4 yard.

Uncle Ab says that he finds most of the best deeds are done by those who care least about credit for them.

7134. Girls' Dress Designed in Sizes: 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 7121. Misses' Two Piece "Ensemble" years. A 4 year size requires 1% Designed in Sizes: 16, 18 and 20 yard of 32 inch material if made with sertion also 1 yard of bias binding for the neck (11/2 inch wide.)

Designed in Sizes: 4, 6, 8, and 10

Designed in One Size: Medium. It requires 1% yard of 35 inch material. To finish with bias binding requires 4% yards 1% inch wide.

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Smooth-seeded types of peas like Alaska have been, and still are, planted by some people because of their quick maturing, and because it has been believed that they might be planted earlier in cold wet ground with less danger of rotting.

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We audit freight bills free and collect overcharges. Patronage dividend allowed on claims collected for Farm Bureau members. All farmers save by using this service.

MICHIGAN STATE FARM BUREAU Traffic Dep't, Lausing, Mich.

### SHALL THE STATE FIX AUTOMOBILE **INSURANCE RATES?**

Group of Mutuals Supports, Orr, Gansser and Roxborough. Several Other Firms Oppose Rushton Bill.

#### AFFECTS CAR OWNERS

Mutuals Seek Protection; Others Say Competition Best Policy.

Lansing-Should the State of Michigan say what automobile owners shall pay insurance companies for fire, theft, collision, public liability and other automobile insurance, or

It's a question that interests every Michigan car owner. It was debated before the Michigan Senate Insurance Committee Tuesday night, March 24 by old-line and by mutual automobile insurance companies.

They debated the merits of Senate Bill No. 11, by Senator Rushton, which provides that the State Insurance Department shall fix the rates to be charged by automobile Insurance Companies.

#### Why This Bill?

Senate Bill No 11 is supported sledlength by Michigan owned mutual and reciprocal automobile insurance companies, among them the Citizens Mutual of Howell, the Auto Owners of Lansing, Mutual of Traverse City, Detroit Automobile Club, Michigan Mutual Liability Company and others, represented by spokesmen at the

Opposed to the bill are 189 out of state automobile insurance companies, the Insurance Federation of Michigan, Michigan Ass'n of Insurance Agents Michigan Manufacturers' Ass'n, and the Michigan State Farm Bureau, which is state agent for the State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company of Bloomington, Ill.

Mutuals' Story Spokesmen for 14 Michigan owned mutuals and reciprocal companies want the State to fix rates for all companies to provide "adequate and uniform rates"; they charged the old line stock companies with rate cutting which is ruinous to their mutuals; they charged old line companies with starting a rate war last May in Michigan, taking losses here and making them up in other states; they pointed out that Michigan mutuals must live on what they earn in Michigan; they asked that all companies be put on the same rates to preserve the Michigan mutual auto insurance companies.

Stock Companies' Reply

Old line stock company interests opposed to Senate Bill 11 declared that competition for business by the various companies should establish rates, not the State; they hinted that the bill is designed to raise all auto insurance rates so that certain companies may be able to build up weal cash reserves to where they should be; they admitted a drastic "rate reduction" to get business and sought to show the committee statistics to show their reduction was warranted. They denied rate cutting.

Farm Bureau Opposed R. Wayne Newton, opposing the bill

for the Michigan State Farm Bureau, stuck strictly to these principles That the Farm Bureau favors giving the public any benefit that can be given through service or economy; that the State should see that policyholders get the service they buy: that the public should have the best price that insurance competition will bring: that the State should see that all companies have adequate reserves and let competition fix the price. Bad Moments

Worst moments for 189 old time companies fighting the bill were in trying to explain why in May 1930 they filed a schedule of rates with the state "based on experience" and why 10 days later they cut collision rates 50% and fire and theft 25%. They announced the reduction in large advertisements in many papers throughout the State. These rates continue, and no doubt are largely the background of Senate Bill No. 11, which probably would result in higher rates, and certainly all rates on

the same level. Tough moments for the Michigan mutuals came when old line company men claimed that the bill is an effort to make all policyholders pay more in order to protect certain mutuals and build up their cash reserves.

In between the Michigan owned mutuals and the old line companies is the State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company of Bloomington, Ill, The Michigan State Farm Bureau is state agent for Michigan, which has written some 64,000 applications in Michigan since October 1926, according to testimony given. This has been done in competition with both Michigan mutuals and old line companies. The Farm Bureau said in opposing Senate Bill No. 11 that it is willing to accept whatever hazards are involved in going to the public with the best price that competition will

#### Mutuals Far Ahead

Testimony given by both sides indicated that mutuals in Michigan have been writing 85% of the automobile business and the 189 stock companies

about 15%. The Senate Insurance committee listened attentively and said little,

Senator Rushton, who offered the bill, sat with the Senate Insurance Committee and took part in the proceed-

This was the first public hearing on duced the bill) Foster, Heidkamp, members of the House committee on insurance took part in the hearing.

## Boost Gold Production,

the bill, which is still in the Senate world in general may be suffering committee, composed of Senators from a depression, this has aplared diamonds with their bare toes, Cowan (chairman) Rushton (intro- parently no connection with the while working in the Kimberly production of gold here, for in 1930 district, but the supply which reachthe total value of gold produced in es the Amsterdam market is carethe British empire was 309 1/2 mil- fully controlled. lion dollars, highest since 1915.

In the Kimberly district, north of here, production of nearly the en- your second best, however unimpor-Milk is less likely to burn or stick tire world's supply of diamonds is tant the occasion .- Gen. Sheridan. to the bottom of the saucepan in artifically controlled, for the purwhich it is scalded if the pan is rins- pose of keeping the price up. If all ed in cold water before the milk is the diamonds which are being grub- is liable to be interrupted by somebody bed from the earth were placed on doing it.

the market at one time, some experts estimate that the price would Hold Diamonds Back drop to such an extent that the posession of a huge "rock" would not Cape Town, S. Africa-While the indicate even moderate prosperity.

The man who says "it can't be done

#### Blames Parrot For **Public Funds Shortage**

charged with larcency of \$112,000 in her office distracted her so much home brew beer legally recognizes that when cooking improves the flavor.

manager, said that he had stood item which is now in his deficit. over Mrs. Fowler's desk from time Senator Wood's malt tax bill tries to to time with the parrot on his win both men by providing payment shoulder, but said that it didn't dis- of the \$1,500,00 deficit item first and turb the former treasurer.

## Wood's Malt Tax Bill

former La Grande city treasurer, for a northern Michigan tuberculosis tory. sanitorium. Gov. Brucker holds that in public funds, says that a parrot taxing an important ingredient of that she couldn't keep her books which is illegal. It is known too that straight, and that's why it looks as he would like very much to find Never content yourself with doing though she is short in her accounts. \$1,500,000 which the State owes coun-A. B. Cherry, La Grande city ties for care of tubercular patients, an building the northern sanitorium next.

It would license malt manufacturers \$1,000 annually, jobbers of malt \$500 Seeks Brucker Favor and retailers \$25. Michigan has 28 malt manufacturers, and an inopera-Lansing-Speaker Ming wants a tive malt tax because the Wayne coun-Baker, Ore.,-Mrs. Emma Fowler, malt tax very badly to provide funds ty court held its rates were discrimna-

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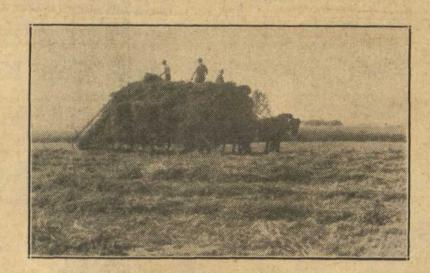
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