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COMPLETE STUDY OF STATE'S CO-OP

46 Co-ops Handle 16 Million Pounds of Butterfat Annually.

CONSIDER A FEDERATION

Five Milk Producers Ass'ns, 8 Processing Plants Doing Well.

Nearly a year's study has been made of the set-up of Michigan's 46 co-operative creamery companies by the Michigan State College through Mr. John D. Martin of Sandusky. creameries' committee is considering the feasibility of federating

Committee Has Experience The committee which has the re sults of the survey comprises managers of eight outstanding co-or creameries in the state, organizations which have operated under different methods as to organization, manage ment and business policies. This committee consists of: P. B. GILLHESPY

Farmers Co-op Creamery, Conklin F. G. HYNES

mers Co-op Creamery, Freeport G. S. COFFMAN

B. A. McGILL

Farmers Co-op Creamery, Big Rapids C. A. BRODY

Butter Co. F. C. PERNERT

O. P. GOODWIN

Mich. Producers Dairy Co., Adrian Mr. Martin's survey stresses the tendency of the dairy industry in rec ent years to federate its units into state and regional organizations and tending toward a national dairy federation, all aiming at a constant strengthening and improvement o the industry.



JOHN D. MARTIN

A summary of the entire co-opera tive movement is a merchandising plan comparable to the workings of the Ford Motor Company and the General Motors Corporation, Mr. Martin says. He cites developments in fields similar to or allied with the dairy industry, pointing to the formation of regional federations in the livestock and fruit industries and then national sales organizations; also to the Land o' Lakes Creameries organization, which has become so prominent in the past few years.

their beginning in 1870. One concern, established in 1892, still functions, the Hadly District Dairy Association, at Hadley, Lapeer County; 45 other co-operative creamery organizations set up during the past twenty years are flourishing.

various points of information as are available in each particular instance.

Our Dairy Co-op Set-up tions bargaining with city distribu tors in behalf of the farmer produccheese concerns, and by eight oper

Big Rapids—Farmers Co-op Creamer Buchanan— St. Joe Valley Creamery Burnips—Salem Co-op Ass'n Caledonia Creamery Co. Carson City—Dairyland Creamery Clarksville Co-op Creamery Coldwater Dairy Co. (Continued on page two)

Mrs. Reinsch's Success **An Interesting Story**

Her Life Work And Succeeded.

By MRS. G. PEARL DARR sing business methods which she has county farm woman, owner of an outstanding fruit farm.

since its organization a booster and plans that she does not call it suc-

When she began farming on 40 spelled success. acres, some of the acres very lean turns made to them; she observed to get your money out of the product began to experiment with various soil sold. building plants.

a systematic plan of growing clover and legumes to turn under for the Every Farm Bureau Member benefit of later crops.

Mrs. Reinsch, then Mrs. Kate L Haufstater, a widow with two small Free Soil-How one farmer contin- boys, found country life vastly differes to make a good living and make ent from that of the small southern ion-and that farmer a woman-by been a prosperous grain elevator man.

on cutting prices; returning the long weary drive to do chores, get a bite the work just another adventure; anis through hard work. She other step in the uphill work of departments, for as long as they live, learning the methods which have according to Sec'y C. L. Brody.

Mrs. Reinsch believes growing any the customs of her neighbors then and make a living it must be rightly

15 PCT. RATE CASE **RULING IN OCTOBER**

If Granted, Some Farmers Would Pay 25 Pct., Mills Says

Washington-The Interstate Commerce Commission is expected to rule on the railroads' demand for a flat 15% increase in all rates some time in October or November, it is learned. Shippers and railroad representatives continue to give testimony for and against the increase before I. C. C. examiners in various parts of the nation. Final phase will be the arguments before the Commission at Washington.

10.7% Boost Due Dec. 3

igan Farm Bureau transportation di- T-B re-test would be adhered to. rector, says that eastern and south- | Commissioner Powell said Sept. 22 \$800,000 annually.

Trucks.

past ten months, according to L. R.

In Michigan

Lansing-Farm Bureau Services

Inc., is co-operating with Michigan

County Farm Bureaus and others in

establishing co-operative oil and gas

services to Michigan farmers. The

Others are scheduled for Berrien and

To Aid The Distressed

Lansing-Lansing Canning Commit-

with five children, whose only sup-

Seek Surplus Produce

reserve fund.

ILLINOIS CO-OP OIL

FUNDS ARE SAFE

Were Once Reported Dead; State Doing Work At Lower Cost

Lansing-Appropriation for the State of Michigan carrying on and standing the expense of the cattle tuberculosis re-test now under way hroughout the State was not invalidated by the recent Supreme Court decision upsetting Gov. Brucker's budget paring by veto, it is learned. It was announced that the measure

was one of the shaved bills returned to the Legislature and thus killed by the Supreme Court decision. It developed later that the bill went to Lansing-Commenting on the article the Sec'y of State instead and is alive. in the Sept. 12 Farm News regarding Commissioner Powell of the Dep't of American Farm Bureau and Michigan Agriculture informed Gov. Brucker Farm Bureau opposition to the 15% that the budget reduction from rate increase, Mr. A. P. Mills, Mich- \$150,000 to \$135,000 per year for the

given an increase in the class rates summer have enabled the re-test to go ing on a life membership basis, Mr. case which averages 10.7%, effective forward at about 18 cents per head Brody said. December 3, 1931. It will cost east- as against 25 cents allowed the counern and southern agriculture about ties. He said that he believes that including Michigan, will have a rate three years is very low. In one of 1% infection.

DEAL BIG BUSINESS BRUCKER PLEDGED **BUDGET SUPPORT** 48 Counties Have 115 Bulk Stations and 350

All State Dep'ts Promise To Stand By Reduced Figures

institutions have pledged Gov. Bruck- ties when earned. er that they will stand by Budget he a portion held for building a business stand.

The Administrative Board at its Their oil business has doubled the first meeting after the Court decision adopted a resolution, presented by State Treasurer Howard Lawrence, pledging co-operation is abiding by his budget figures. The resolution

WHEREAS. This Board desires to co-operate in all matters of economy lead-ing to the relief of the direct property ax, therefore be it.

get appropriations to the extent of amounts as reduced by the Gover-s partial veto; any additional re-sts are directed to be presented speifically forthwith.

Washtenaw Muster Day

Ann Arbor - Washtenaw County Farm Bureau held a Muster Day rally at the Ann Arbor Chamber of Commerce Thursday evening, Sept. 24. er. Music, motion pictures and re-First contribution went to a mother president, was in charge.

port is a meagre pension. Contri- sing. Telephone calls are received at ship Mr. Mrody said. butions of surplus produce may be No. 25-311. Mrs. E. R. VanderSlice made to the Committee at the Welfare of 530 North Butler Boulevard, Lan-Dep't store, 124 East Ottawa St., Lan- sing, is chairman of the Committee.

BRODY EXPLAINS LIFE MEMBERSHIP; LIST REACHES 100

In Time Becomes a Life Member

Or Pay Dues; Life List Dividends in Cash

Lansing-Michigan has something reau or prospective members, may assure themselves a paid-up life memand participate in patronage divi ments, according to their use of the

About 100 Farm Bureau members have bought life memberships outfrom over much farming and no re- product is only half the battle, since right, Mr. Brody said, adding that every other regular dues paying member is bound to become a life member in less than ten years since a portion of each annual dues goes in-



CLARK L. BRODY Sec'y, Michigan State Farm Bureau

to a reserve fund eventually to proern railroads already have been that favorable working conditions this Michigan State Farm Bureau is buildship and no further dues to pay. The

The 100 members recognized as life members attained that position by the \$75,000 allowed for indemnities buying a paid-up membership for cash If the 15% increase is granted, said will not be used since the percentage or by payments completed within one Mr. Mills, farmers in those sections, of infection found on the re-test after year, Mr. Brody said, at the following year, Mr. Brody said, at the following to the sections of Detroit, going the section of the section payment within one year for a life areas if they do not exceed one-half membership; old members, who are paid up as of Oct. 1, 1931, \$50.70.

The Farm Bureau's life member-ship plan is modeled an life insurance serve fund out of regular annual payments. In time the reserve fund after, Mr. Brody said.

Explains Patronage Dividends

Lansing-All State departments and lizer seeds, feeds and other commodi-ments. Paid-up members receive such per quart in New York City.

pruned by about \$2,000,000 for the dividends in cash; members in process work with the Supply company. They 1932 and 1933, despite a Supreme of acquiring a life membership have operate 115 bulk stations with about Court decision that Mr. Brucker ex- such dividends credited on their embargo legislation for the protectrying to make an early report and amounts to \$3,500,000. 350 trucks serving the farm trade. All ceeded his authority in making the annual dues of \$10. Dividends in exprofits go back to the patrons except cuts and that the original amounts cess of \$10 are credited towards mabut may be withdrawn in cash.

> letters written to regular dues paying distributors. members September 14:

that his Farm Bureau patronage divi- been taken out. dends for the year ending August 31. With their longer average hauling that Mr. Schilling, dairy member of testified) represents 80% of the milk 1932 by \$9.50. Accordingly his mem- troit area. bership for the coming year was marked PAID and \$9.50 balance was RESOLVED, That we will release all credited to his life membership York price would have been about conditions, would not appear. pership and with no cash outlay on of \$1.85, net for all milk, Mr. Simpson's part; it was savings | New York milk is bought on a base chasing, Mr. Brody said.

vised that his patronage dividends milk and grade prices deducted ac-46 CO-OP CREAMERY ASS'NS and sugar, for the aid of unemployed freshments completed the program. for the same period exceeded his Oct. cording to market demands, he said. families with children this winter. Charles McCalla, county Farm Bureau 1, 1931 to Oct. 1, 1932 dues by 22 When milk is plentiful, the League and 22c credited to his life member- factured into certain products with

Life Members (Continued on page 4)

Bone and Skull Duster Is Title of His Job

Washington, D. C .- The old beef that negroes are characteriscally afraid of skeletons and hosts is given a rude shock by the discovery that in the Smithsonian Institute here, on a floor which is devoted solely to a collection of negro "bone and skull duster" keeps the place tidy.

The collection is made so as to assist in unscrambling the age-old question of the origin of man. Dr. A. Hrdlicka, famed anthropologist, is in charge of the studies. Save for the negro "hone and skull duster" no one but scientists are admitted to the floor.

When this particular negro gave new in farm organization membership, his occupation to the census taker, Members of the State Farm Bu- he must have joined the ranks o others with queer jobs, as revealed in the assembling of census occupational statistics, now going on in

Floyd W. Parsons, in a recent issue of The Saturday Evening Post, discussing these occupations, pointed out one man who said he was a superintendent of county egg-laying contests. Another said he was operator of a tipping trust. Many persons gave their occupations as 'genius, independent." "analyist human nature,' "advisor to the public," "philosopher at home." and even "ruminator, public affairs." But the negro "bone and skull duster" would seem to have merited a place in the magazine's discussion.

MILK COMMISSION HEARS DAIRYMEN'S LEAGUE METHODS

Milk; Financial Plan Described

Detroit-Fifty thousand New York farmers control the milk market in the New York City area, according to a report made recently by W. H. Linsell of Detroit to the Commission of Inquiry investigating Michigan's milk production and marketing situation.

The Dairymen's League of New York, Mr. Linsell said, was established 10 years ago with \$750 of borrowed money. Today it owns \$16,000,000

How League Finances The League has about 4,000 employes on its payroll, he said, and plan which takes 10 cents from each producer for every 100 pounds of

bond which is recognized by banking over exhibits and confidential business mitted by the 188 producers to milk institutions as collateral for a loan testimony submitted by Detroit disup to 80 per cent or \$40. The bonds tributors, and since examined by Mr. tributors quoted by Prof. C. A. Analways have sold at par or above, he Davidson. No information was forth-derson of the Milk Producers Ass'n in

company practice of building up a reis charged six cents per cwt. of milk The Commission on adjourning an surplus plan. earns enough to carry the individual When all expenses are met, at the sing at 10 A. M. Wednesday, Sept. 30 as operating money for the League. nounced that it would meet at Lanmember's membership expense there-close of the year the producer is for an open meeting to receive addigiven a refund, based on whatever tional testimony; that it will en-All life members and those grad- these six cent advances. This refund failed to answer subpoenas, including ually acquiring life membership is sent out in the form of a 13th a large distributing company's alleged through annual dues, are paid patron- check for his milk for the year. Milk "fixer" who has been sought for some age dividends on Farm Bureau ferti- payment is made in monthly install- time; that in the meantime Auditor by Governor's Mille Commission, farm-

League Embargoed Outsiders

The League sponsored the so-called turing the life membership quicker, he said, has been one of the principal 30 meeting make it advisable to hold derson, statistician of Michigan Milk reasons for the success of the League. more meetings, it is expected that the Producers Association, testified at To illustrate how it works, Sec'y It enables the producer to dominate several Commissioners will each pre- Lansing before the Governor's Milk Brody showed the FARM NEWS two the market rather than a group of pare a report and recommendations Commission, that in arriving at the

Mr. Harold B. Simpson of North he showed, was \$1.52 per cwt, to the views into a Commission Report. Street, St. Clair county, was advised producer after every expense item had

1931, exceeded his \$10 dues for the distance to market, he said, the cost the Federal Farm Board, and Delos sold to distributors in the City of Deyear October 1, 1931 to October 1, of hauling is higher than in the De- L. James, president of the Dairy- troit. These companies are: men's League of New York, invited to

Net Price For All Milk It was shown that the average New their knowledge of dairy industry

with interest compounded an- \$1.75 net, based on Michigan haulage nually, unless he should care to have distances. This was the average for other engagements. Mr. James wrote it in cash. In effect, Mr. Simpson's every pound of milk produced. Giving the Commission that he would not patronage dividends paid more than the producer the benefit also of the care to testify in Detroit unless he the month of February 1931, the total 2 years out of the nine regular dues 10 cents a cwt. on the deposit bonds had considerable time to study the milk purchased by these companies paying years required for life mem- brought his price up to an equivalent situation beforehand. The New York was 25,496,924 pounds. plan might not apply to Michigan, Mr.

effected by mass co-operative pur- price with various grades established. It is in effect a pool price, Mr. Lin-Mr. Calvin Garber, of Constantine, sell explained. The grades are set cents. His dues were marked PAID indicates what portion may be manuprices prevailing in each classification and when the production is bare-Following is a list of Michigan by sufficient to meet the demand, the for the first six months of 1930 in Sept. 1st by 188 farmers whose total (Continued on page 3.)

MILK PRODUCERS SELLING IN DETROIT LOSING \$3,500,000 ANNUALLY, BASIS FEB. 1931 SALES, COMMISSION TOLD

parts of 19,000 human skeletons, a Senator Lennon Furnishes Commission With An Estimate Based on Questionnaires Sent to Producers, Also on Previous Testimony; Check Distributors' Books

> Detroit-Michigan milk producers selling to Detroit distributors were estimated to be losing up to \$3,500,000 annually on the basis of Feb. 1931 sales, according to a compilation of replies made by 188 farmers to a questionnaire sent to 599 milk producers in late August by Gov. Brucker's Commission investigating the cost of producing and dis-

> The estimate was presented to the Commission by one of its number, State Senator Peter Lennon, at its meeting here September 16. The NEWS presents in this article the questionnaire analysis submitted by Mr. Lennon.

Trade Commission Wants Testimony

Other developments at the Sept. 16th session were:

Statement by Commissioner McBride to the NEWS that the Federal Trade Commission has asked the Commission for the complete testimony in the milk hearings for its investigation as to whether or not there is a milk monopoly in Michigan, and Detroit in particular.

Statement by Mr. McBride for the Commission record, that he has written to all large milk distributing companies in Detroit, also to their Dairy Products Research Bureau, and to the Michigan Milk Producers Ass'n for a complete descrip-League Shuts Out Outside tion of their set-up and for answers to questions submitted.

Admits Profit on Surplus

Statement by Commissioner Lennon that one of the large creameries in Detroit claims a loss of 9/10 of a cent on every quart of milk sold at retail, but reports it is making money on all products manufactured from surplus milk.

From the beginning of the hearings, distributors have insisted that there is no profit in handling surplus milk.

Dairymen's League Interests Lennon

Mr. Lennon also stated that in his opinion Michigan milk worth of property, including receiv- producers should make a study of the Dairymen's League ing and processing and distributing system in New York and that Michigan should get away from the base and surplus plan.

A summary of the Dairymen's League plan as presented has been financed through a deposit to the Commission appears elsewhere in this edition.

Prepare for Sept. 30

coming regarding conclusions Mr. In addition to loaning the League Davidson and the commission ar-

money has not been needed from deavor to bring in witnesses who have Davidson will continue his examina- ers selling milk to Detroit distribut-Milk was reported to retail at 15c tion of the books of Detroit distributers report loss of over \$290,000 for ors, "all of which have been opened the month of February, 1931. As this to the Commission"

Invitations Are Fruitless

give the Commission the benefit of Mr. Schilling was reported to have

MR. LENNON ANALYZES

tionnaire To Milk Producers producers, as presented to the Com- tributors was 44,371,155 pounds. mission Sept. 16 by Senator Lennon. The analysis purports to show farmshipping milk to Detroit.

The Commission spent several hours financial gain or loss on the produc-The analysis estimates the total his testimony Aug. 6.

The analysis summarizes attitude of the 188 farmers toward the base and

Text of the Lennon Analysis

According to testimony brought out is a short and low production month The Commission advises that it is the minimum year's loss reported

Quotes Prof. Anderson On August 6th, 1931, Prof. A. C. Anfrom the testimony and will get to amount of monthly BASE and SUR-The average price for the past year, gether later to consolidate their PLUS percentage used for monthly pay-off to the farmer that he has taken the record of six companies for Commissioner Powell announced the last three years which (he also

> Bell Isle Creamery Gabel Risdon Creamery Detroit Creamery Ebling Creamery Rosebud Creamery

Proctor Creamery His testimony further states that in

Basic purchases, 39,539,496 lbs. Sales 22,605,134 lbs. February was selected by Dr. Anerson at random from cards for the Replies to Commission's Ques- year which he submitted as testimony. As this 35,496,924 pounds represents Following is the analysis of 188 80% of Detroit milk purchased, the Commission questionnaires to milk February total purchased by all dis-

Commission's Question No. 28 The questionnaire sent out by the ers' individual financial gain or loss Commission has been answered to

(Continued on page 2.)

Chicago-Illinois Farm Supply Co. arm of the Farm Bureau in Illinois, has shown a tremendous growth in 1892 Co-op Functions volume petroleum products sold co-Michigan's dairy co-operatives had operatively the past year. Forty-eight county co-operatives

Mr. Martin shows the financial standing of each co-operative, how the organization is financed, total as- Marchant, mgr. Gasoline sales are sets and total liabilities, number of up 62.5% over a year ago, kerosene members in the organization, number 47%, lubricating oils 60%, and greasof patrons served, area covered, source es 70%. of competition, markets served, basis of determining prices, comparison of yearly volume of business over period of several years (in dollars and in pounds of butterfat) and such other

The survey shows that co-operafirst station at Batavia in Branch tively, Michigan's dairy industry is county has been operating some time. served by 46 co-operative creameries. five big milk producers' organiza-Hillsdale counties. ers, and by half a dozen co-operative ating type of milk associations which buy and sell and process milk on local basis, more or less, but which tee, composed of public spirited woserve quite an extensive area in their men, is bringing together surplus President M. L. Noon was the speak- St. Joseph County member, was ad- up for the products to be made of the fruits and vegetables, donating cans

Young Widow Made Farming She was the first in her section to try the merits of vetch. Then began

knows there is no luck about it.

some money besides, despite depres- Michigan city, where her husband had NO MORE DUES TO PAY Rising long before dawn and taking Patronage Dividends Reduce

evolved and tested by practical appli- the products of field and tree to a eation through 26 years work, begin- neighboring market, 12 miles distant ning when the A B C's of farming in a one horse wagon, peddling in the were Greek to her is the interesting hot sun; holding to her price in barstory of a Free Soil township Mason gaining with shrewd housewives bent Mrs. Kate L. Reinsch, a director in to eat and more often than not hurry-Mason County Farm Bureau, and ever ing out to fields for another supply of produce for the next day's trip was bership with no further dues to pay, believer in its tenets, believes her indeed a change. But the young widsuccess, though she still has so many ow had a sense of humor and found dends of the Bureau's service depart



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The Milk Investigation

Governor Brucker's Commission of Inquiry into Michigan's milk industry, now closing the eighth week of its investigation, appears to have a Herculean task on its hands,

The Commission has been instructed to determine what it costs to produce and to distribute milk; to expose any unfair situations it may find; to make recommendations that may enable both producers and distributors to conduct their businesses with some prospect for profits.

Producers have testified, and have reported in questionnaires submitted by the Commission that they are losing money; that it costs them from 5 to 7 cents to produce a quart of milk; that their returns from milk sold in bottles or at wholesale, and from milk sold for manufacturing purposes (surplus), have averaged as low as 2 to 3 cents net per quart for their entire production. They have demanded an accounting of the surplus and an investigation of what goes on in the distributing system.

Distributors have insisted that Detroit demand alone is off 20 to 30% since 1929; that there is no profit in surplus milk; that there is too much milk, that it costs from 41/2 to 7c to distribute a quart of milk without paying the farmer for it; that unorganized milk deliveries are demoralizing the Detroit market. They have admitted trade wars and price cutting between distributors to gain or to hold business.

The base and surplus plan of marketing milk has been attacked, and has been warmly defended by both producers and distributors, Likewise the Michigan Milk Producers Ass'n, operating on the base and surplus plan and representing the bulk of Michigan milk producers in Michigan's principal cities.

It appears to the FARM NEWS that the distributors find themselves on the defensive. Principal attention of the Commission has come to be focused on what the distributors do with the milk, what they get out of it, and what methods they employe,

The Commission has listened to reams of testimony to the effect that handling surplus milk is unprofitable; that there is too much milk. It has followed by sending its own auditor through the distributors' books. It develops this week that one large Detroit distributor shows a loss an every quart of milk sold at retail, but admits a profit on every item it manufactures from

The question has been raised if too much of the distributors' operating expenses has not been saddled onto bottled milk. It appears that no one but the distributors has the facts regarding the actual gain or loss on products manufactured from milk called surplus.

Anyone who has the capital and the desire, and who can comply with board of health regulations, can go into the milk business in the cities, just as any farmer can go into the dairy business. Once he is in, he has recourse to every legitimate means to stay in business if he can,

Trade wars, price cutting to about half the published retail list price, etc., may not be considered good ethics or good for business, but they are not illegal weapons.

There is no denying that the farmer unwillingly shares a good share of the loss occasioned by warfare among distributors. Hence the recurring suggestion to make milk a public utility and to allocate to dealers certain territories and keep many dealers' wagons from traversing the same streets with the same quality product. It is our opinion that much water will pass under the bridge before that point is reached.

On the farmers' side of the fence, if there is too much milk, the remedy is to produce less, or divert the surplus to other territories, or to other uses where it is more profitable. That is a matter for the producers to handle in the light of the facts that may be determined. The only way they can do it efficiently is through a strong producers' organization.

It has been suggested by both the Milk Producers Ass'n and distributors that the Detroit Board of Health and boards of health in other cities co-operate by making possible restricted milk supply areas around consuming centers and shut out distant milk that demoralizes the local market. New York's Dairymen's League and New York City have been cited as co-operating in

At present we are hearing much about the Dairymen's League plan in New York. The League is a widely known and apparently very successful institution. It's success may be rooted in conditions and advantages special to New York, The Commission is now investigating the Dairymen's League to see whether or not in its opinion the greener looking pasture over the fence is any better than what we have when everything is taken into consideration.

Common sense tells us that individual milk producers, the Michigan Milk Producers Ass'n representing them, and the distributors have a platform on which all can meet-to be in business on a plan that will return a reasonable profit on the investment and effort involved.

The distributors may need to do some house cleaning or have it done for them. In either event, they can be depended upon to come out of the wash in fair shape, since they are units susceptible to swiftly moving private control,

The producers should remember that their hope for the future lies in a strong organization, which they have in the Michigan Milk Producers Ass'n, in business since 1918. They should remember that their Ass'n is besieged at a time like this. Plans that are good and plans that may not be sound are likely to be presented, with plenty of pressure behind both varieties. All proposals should be considered with patience and calm reasoning.

It is our opinion that if the Commission, as a fourth and disinterested party, can present from its investigation, sound recommendations for the improvement of Michigan's milk industry, the Milk Producers Ass'n is likely to be the first to move for their effect.

Stabilizing The Dollar

The American Farm Bureau will make recommendations to its 13th annual meeting at Chicago in December regarding the stabilization of the dollar.

"The importance of stabilizing our unit of value as we have our measures of weight and dimension, the pound, the gallon and the yardstick, so that fluctuations, creating in every instance a hardship, may be avoided, is considered of paramount importance to the leadership of the Farm Bureau," said President E. A. O'Neal in announcing a meeting this week of the Bureau's Stabilization of Currency Committee. Those present included:

C. A. White, president of the New York Farm Bureau; C. V. Gregory, editor of the Prairie Farmer: C. A. Ewing, president of the National Live Stock Marketing Ass'n; Charles E. Hearst, president of the Iowa Farm Bureau; Andrew Shearer, Kansas Farm Bureau; Dr. John C. Commons, economist, University of Wisconsin.

The number of horses and mules | Remove grass stains from lineu the Base" which still further inon farms continues to decrease and or cotion garments or white stock- creases his loss by putting this portion there is nothing to indicate when ings by rubbing the spots with mo- of base rate pay down to surplus rate. the trend will be checked. lasses before washing.

This Milk Questionnaire Sent To 599 Producers

EDITOR'S NOTE-In presenting this questionnaire and replies, picked at random from those returned to the Commission of Inquiry into the Cost of Milk, the NEWS presents it to show what the Commission asked producers, and as a completely answered questionnaire, and not as an exhibit for or against any matter the Commission is investigating.

COMMISSION INVESTIGATING MILLS

DISTRIBUTING COST QUESTIONNAIRE
1. Milk Producer's Name(Withheld by Editor)
2. AddressRichmond/
3. Farm Owner,YesRenterManager
4. Market or Markets where milk is sold Gabel, Risdon Creamery Co.
5. Location of Receiving StationRomeo
6. Miles to Receiving Station12
7. Haulage cost per 100 pounds to Receiving Stationwas 25c is
now 20c
8. Miles from Receiving Station to Market
9. Haulage cost from Receiving Station to Market24c
10. Do you keep costs of your production at the farmYes
11. What is your cost per 100 pounds at the farm?
Feeding,\$1.36 Labor, etc\$1.10 Total\$2.46
12. Are these costs accurate or estimatedAccurate
13. Do you belong to a cow-testing associationYes
14. What is your cow tester's average test5%
15. Do you belong to a milk producers' associationYes
If so, please give nameMichigan Milk Producers Ass'n
16. Are you paid for your milk on a price settled by your association with
the distributorYes
If not, how is your price settled
17. To what distributor is your milk finally sold Gabel-Risdon
18. What has been the average test on which you were paid off?
January4.7February4.7March4.7April,4.6
May4.5June4.7
19. How many cows did you milk?
January23February24March28April28
May28June29

0.	What cows comprise your herd?
	HolsteinJerseyYesGuernseyMiscellaneous
1.	What was your total production;
	Jan. 16,503
	Feb. 15,165
	Mar. 17,055
	Apr. 15,485

May 15,911

	Jun. 14,649
Die	d you send your entire production to your marketYes
	If you held part of your production at the farm, what do you do
	with the hold-out?List quantity below:
	JanuaryFebruaryMarchAprilMayJune
Ho	w were you paid off as regards Rase and Surplus in pounds of your

production			
	BASE	SURPLUS	TOTAL
January	8,153	8.350	16,503
February	7,280	7,885	15,165
March	6,448	10,607	17,055
April	6,240	9,245	15,485
May	6,443	9,463	15,911

. At what	price or prices v	were you paid	off at your	farm?
January February March April May June			\$2.69 2.47 2.69 2.64 2.47 2.37	\$URPLUS \$1.56 1.55 1.57 1.45 1.30

	Average per 100 pounds for your entire sold production:
	January \$2,06 April \$1,92 February 1.91 May 1.77 March 2.03 June 1.83
25.	At what hour of the day do you do your milk work?
	Morning5 A. M. to 7 P. M. Evening5:30 P. M. to 7:30 P. M.
26.	What is your farm land assessed at per acre,\$75.00

27. Do you favor the Base and Surplus Plan for your pay-off No 28. Do you figure that you have sold at less than your cost for the last

six months?.....Yes......If so, how much per 100 pounds below

NOTE any further remarks you wish to make below or on opposite side

Milk Producers Lose

milk sales for this same month of February, 1931, were 1,125,545 pounds. farmers are: Question No. 28 of this questionnaire, asked the farmer, "Do you figure that you have sold at less than your cost for the last six months?"

"If so, how much per 100 pounds below cost?" The entire answers to this question

NO ... 15 Balance of 56 either had no Feb-

ruary production or did not keep

costs. Their Loss Calculation Eighty-one farmers who kept cost reported a total February sales of 566,670 pounds (both base and sur-

They show a loss on this production of \$3,728.32 for this month of Feb-

Using these figures as the average production and loss on Detroit's February purchases of 44,371,155 pounds (as testified) the farmers' loss for February in Detroit market alone is \$291,974.02.

February is a small production month, but still using it as the base for figuring, the farmers loss per year on Detroit milk alone is \$3,503,688.24. Most other State markets and sales prices are governed by the Detroit

Since February the farmers' base has been reduced by "20% Surplus in It is interesting to note that no

farmer answering the questionnaire eported a profit above his cost. \$3,500,000 Lennon Says February Surplus Small Total figures reported for the nonth of February 1931, by these 188

Base ... Surplus 86,516 lbs.

Total1,125,545 lbs. This surplus of approximately 8% of the February sales is very low caused by the month of February hav ing been selected by Prof. Anderson for his testimony. February is small and short production month. Surplus in other months has figured

of base reduction added as "Surplus are of lesser importance, from the in Base" for the last few months. Base and Surplus Opinion

September 1st, 1931.

Your Pay-Off?" Not answered

The above 188 answers are divided MICHIGAN MILK PRODUCERS ASS'N Yes
Not answered
Indefinite NON-MEMBERS OF ANY ASSOCIA-

TOTAL

While a number of Michigan Milk Producer Association local Presidents have given testimony that their local members are all in favor of BASE and SURPLUS, their members here voted 43 "NO" and 22 "INDEFINITE" out

SOUTHWESTERN MILK ASS'N:

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(End of Senator Lennon Analysis) The Commission filed Senator Lentestimony.

Study of Dairy Co-ops Completed by Martin

(Continued from page 1) Coleman—Farmers Co-op Creamery olumbiaville Co-op Co. Conklin—Farmers Co-op Creamery Constantine Co-op Creamery Delton Co-op Creamery East Jordan—Jordan Valley Co-op Ekton Creamery Co. Fremont Creamery Co. Freeport—Farmers Co-op Co. Grant Creamery Co. Hadley District Dairy Ass'n Hamilton—Bentheim Creamery Harbor Beach—Farmers Co-op Cream-Hemiock Co-op Greamery Co. Holland, R-3—E. Saugatuck Creamery Hudsonville, R-1—Bauer Creamery Hudsonville Creamery & Ice Cream Co. Kaleva-Golden Co-op Creamery Lawrence Co-op Creamery Linden Co-op Creamery Litchfield Dairy Ass'n

Marcellus Co-op Creamery
Marion—Farmers Co-op
Middeville Co-op Creamery
Montague—Claybanks Co-op Creamery
Montgomery—Tri-State Co-op Ass'n Nashville—Farmers Co-op Creamery New Era Creamery Co. Oakland Creamery Co. Ravenna Inc. Butter Co. Remus Co-op Creamery Co. Saranac—Farmers Co-op Creamery St. Louis Co-op Creamery Shultz Co-op Copartnership Ass'n Ltd. Watervliet Co-op Creamery Westphalia Co-op Creamery Zeeland-Beaverdam Creamery Zeeland, R-1-Drenthe Co-op

UPPER PENINSULA Bruce Crossing-Ontonagon Valley Co-o Crystal Falls Creamery Daggett Farmers Co-op Ironwood Co-op Creamery Rapid River Co-op Creamery

Milk Producers Ass'ns ive big bargaining organiza tions include:

Michigan Milk Producers Ass'n of Detroit, which serves the Detroit, Ann Arbor, Pontlac, Elint, Grand Rapids, lackson, Muskegon and Saginay areas, Battle Creek Producers Ass'n

Bay County Milk Producers Ass'n Hillsdale Jersey Milk Producers Ass'n Kalamazoo Milk Producers Ass'n These Milk Producers organizations assist the producer in arriving at a satisfactory outlet and price for his dairy products through an orderly marketing of his fluid milk. The associations do not buy and sell milk, but enable thousands of scattered producers to agree with the dis-

price, Mr. Martin shows. The Operating Type Ass'ns The eight operating type of co-operative milk associations, however, engage in the business of buying and selling and processing milk. These nelude the:

tributors groups in the cities on a

Berrien County Milk Producers Ass'n, Benton Harbor, Berrien County Croswell Farmers Milk Co., Croswell Escanaba Milk Producers Ass'n

Hopkins Co-operative Creamery Com-pany, Allegan County Huron County Creamery Co., Pigeon

Lansing Dairy Co., Lansing, Ingham

Michigan Producers Dairy Co., Ad-Otsego Sanitary Milk Products Co., Tuscola Milk Producers Co., Tuscola,

Co-op Cheese Ass'ns Three of the cheese companies or ssociations are established in Bay and Saginaw counties and three are



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30% to 40% of the total, with 20% located in Menominee County. These standpoint of volume of business than

the milk or cream concerns. The following is the result of com- The college survey shows the co- keys on their range. The birds are piling the answers received in 183 operative creamery concerns are in co-operators as well since they get farmers' questionnaires returned, to good financial standing and that they Farm Bureau feed from the Four are producing more than 20 percent County Co-op at Marcellus. In answer to question, "Do you of the butter made in Michigan, turn-Favor the Base and Surplus Plan for ing out approximately sixteen million pounds of butter fat in 1930 and ship-than 40,000 persons in the United

out of the state.

Makes Good Turks

Marcellus-Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shimkus, 31/2 miles south of Marcelus, have about 800 fine milk fed tur-

ping more than seven million pounds States who possess wealth of \$1,-000,000 or more.

The Fair By R. S. CLARK

Good mornin', Cinthy. Hot again today. I just run in to get that recipe For grape fudge. Oh no, I mustn't stay, There's too much work at home awaitin' me.

I didn't get to tell you at the Fair Last Friday everything I had to tell, For Hiram hauled me off to listen where That long-haired doctor had his salve to sell.

My Land, a man is such a curious thing. Just bound to stand and gape and listen to That noisy smelly old stock-judgin' ring-And all the barns he'll drag a body through!

He watched that tractor going round and round, With no one on the driver's seat at all, Till I was fairly dizzy. I'll be bound I thought we'd never reach that flower hall.

But when we got there! Cinthy, did you see Those monster zinnia blooms they had in there? And asters too, I swan, I'd like to be The one that brought them asters to the fair.

My flowers are pretty decent, but I vum Those great red spikes of glads made mine look small. And did you see that big chrysanthemum?

I liked those shaggy dalishs best of all. But Hiram spied the baked goods exhibition And nothing I could do would hold him then. If he was only just a politician He'd be the chief of those pie-taster men.

And, Cinthy, did you see my marmalade? It took first place. A real blue ribbon winner, Though 'twasn't just the best I ever made. I brought a jar to you and Clem for dinner).

My Hiram likes to flatter me a little, And he just says of course it took first place Because it's such an extra royal victual That nothin' else was ever in the race .-

Up in the grand stand while the horses run? Hiram, he would; and I was glad to get Most any place from out that broilin' sun. That dumbell-jugglin' act was mighty good,

And that reminds me, Cinthy, did you set

We saw it all as plain as anything; And Hiram yelled like any youngster would To urge the horses when the bell would ring. Where were you, Cinthy, when that shower came? Dozens of folks were wet right to the skin

But we were lookin' in the Keeno game Chewin' big hamburgers with onions in. I'd heard them tell about the Fashion Show And never knew just what it was about, But Hiram balked and simply wouldn't go-

Then when we went I couldn't get him out! He wanted me to ride the Ferris Wheel But none of them contraptions I could see Looked halfway stout enough. I like to feel

The crowd was mighty friendly at the Fair Seems like I saw most everyone I knew, But Hiram always hauled me off somewhere

Before I got my visit nearly through. And were we tired when we got home that night! I simply couldn't lay out flat enough The Fair was fine! We thought next year we might

Go up two days, and look at all the stuff. This time we scarcely looked at half of it, (And half of that we didn't really see-Is that clock right? I mustn't stop to sit. Cinthy, what is that grape fudge recipe?

carelessness

Causes most automobile accidents

You may be most careful, but the other fellow may do something that makes you party to an automobile

Accidents usually result in property damage to both cars, and possibly personal injuries leading to a suit for damages. Too often the innocent driver finds himself a defendant in court.

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HOME AND FAMILY PAGE

To Help **Needy Keep** Going

plea to the farm housewife to keep from their present condition, Kenin mind the needy during the coming you L. Butterfield of the Inter-

the opportunity of getting our sur- told the American Country Life pluses if we only let it be known that Ass'n at Cornell University recently. we have them. Our township officials

be made out of cull apples; fruit munism must be faced, for in it lies butters can be made of ripe pears, a foe to what we consider an adedried or canned or even salted down privileged masses it seems to for winter use; cucumbers may be promise relief, Mr. Butterfield said. salted down for winter pickles; green tomatoes make excellent relishes and pickles and then the extra turnips, Kitchen carrots, cabbage, pumpkins and even the little potatoes will help to keep Ideas someone going this winter.

In Wayne county, Miss Emma Du-Bord is asking the women enrolled in extension classes, to can at least two extra jars this fall to be passed on later to some less fortunate but worthy family.

Farm folks may meet difficulties when it comes time to pay their taxes or other obligations that require money, yet they have no conception of real hunger such as other people often face, for there's always something to eat on the farm even if it is not always just to one's liking. And we now have an opportunity to be generous in a way that will count just as much as the contribution from the rich man's wealth.

Penna. Railroad Leases Howard City Farm

Chicago-The Pennsylvania railroad announces that effective September 1 its famed Howard City demonstration farm was transferred under operation hereafter.

in its third cycle and has proved suc- no more guess work about the can. farm. cessful in building and maintaining soil fertility, with steadily increased crop yields each year.

stone rotation were developed as a find open air but will soon die, means of building up the fertility and Spread peanut butter between growing. He has now a fine apple providing a sound farming program crackers and place them in the oven peach and cherry orchard bringing for the light sandy soils that char- until crisp and a golden brown and in splendid annual returns. The Max acterize a large area in this state. you will have something different and Reinsch farm adjoins his wife's farm Thousands of farmers have visited fine to serve with most any kind of The lands of both lie along a county the demonstration farm annually. salad.

in every way, it was announced. vation.

Half of World Near Bondage,-Butterfield

Ithaca, N. Y .- Half of the world's population is almost in bondage some of them have hope of bettering their fate, and others are almost in Michigan State College is making a a state of revolt to lift themselves national missionary board, former Some needy family will appreciate president of Michigan State College

Some time in the next century should be able to suggest places of the general theme of the leading of the children of Israel to the prom-Apple butter or dried apples may ised land must be re-enacted. Compeaches or plums; green corn can be quate civilization. To the under-

When making meringue add 1 teaspoon of cold water and 1/4 teaspoon of cream of tartar to the white of egg and beat well until it stands up light-

A teaspoon of vinegar poured into glue that has become hardened in a bottle will soften it.

A teaspoon of ammonia added to a bowl of warm water removes fruit stains from the fingers.

For a home made syrup that will not crystallize, cook together 2 cups brown sugar, 1 cup white sugar, 2 Mrs. Reinsch's Success cups water and powdered alum the size of a pea. This may be made in quantities for a season's supply.

plenty moist.

table you may take the oldest. Ad- State College. Mr. Posthumus will continue the hesive tape will stick to the jars bet- She began to plant berries, to prune Keystone Rotation program, develop- ter than paper. Write the name and and spray the fine old apple orchard ed by the late D. L. Hagerman some date with colored ink or indelible on the farm. She bought a ten acre ten years ago. The rotarian is now pencil on the tape and there will be young cherry orchard adjoining her

plate and place where flies can have good apple orchard. The Howard City farm and the Key- access to it, they will at once try to She married again, and her hus-

Pennsylvania railroad agricultural 10 inches on each side, top and bot- esting enough to entice tourists from t Grand Rapids, co-operating tom. A well tucked in sheet is a the state road to view the beautiful grain, high yields, and superior work of the co-operative Dairymen's with Michigan agricultural interests comfort and one too short is an aggra- picture.

The Ability To Say No

It is more of an achievement to know how to do without than it is to know how best to choose when money and variety seems plentiful.

"It's a wise father who no's his own child' is the slogan we read on the slate near the gas station. At first it brings forth a smile, but on further thought it strikes home and we know it is the real wisdom of the day.

It is hard to say no, especially after one has had freely to give. But why not think it is all for the best or it wouldn't be, and give

in to present day circumstances with reasonably good grace? We admire boys and girls who can abide by the decisions of their elders; they may sometimes think they are being cheated out of the

good things of life, but years will tell them differently. On every turn we find disturbing things that must be met with firm denial if our retrenchment is to be effective.

Problems At Schools

Just now at the beginning of the school year before the new books are even paid for (and that is no small sum at present day prices), there's the usual solicitation within our schools for papers and magazines, for orders for class pins and class rings, for tickets for this and for that, for uniforms for this team and for that squad until parents are growing frantic.

Children want what other children have, but the temptation should not be pushed upon them. We admire the stand taken by many school boards forbidding any agent permission to take the time of teachers or to solicit among pupils during school hours.

When we consider the daily cost of operating our own school, we can see that we cannot afford interruptions of any kind. We can ill afford to take a week or two at the beginning of the school year to get organized and to secure the necessary books, neither can we afford a couple of weeks spent toward a Christmas entertainment or another two weeks getting ready for the "last day". These things cost far too much in money and too much in student time to allow us to pass on them too lightly.

Extravagance in government is not always at the county seat or at the State capitol; many times economy can begin quite close at

An Interesting Story

(Continued from page 1) While much of her fruit is sold When making meat loaf, try using from the orchards she has always folraw oat meal in place of cracker lowed the plan that "when the mounrumbs. Be sure the mixture is tain won't come to Mahomet, Mahom et must go to the mountain."

Adventuring farther than mere ob-When labeling your canned goods servation, early in her farming cabè sure to list the year when canned reer, Mrs. Reinsch began a series of lease to Gerrit Posthumus, manager as well as the contents. Then when winter short courses, particularly for the past five years, for private selecting fruit or vegetables for the specializing in fruit at Michigan

Later on she purchased an adjoin-Mix cream, sugar and pepper on a ing farm of 80 acres with another

band also became interested in fruit road, on a series of hills, making a B. O. Hagerman will continue as When making sheets, allow at least beautiful view from the road, inter-

Mrs. Reinsch in one of her short Crop Improvement Association.

a blue ribbon in a state wide contest into shelves or bureau draws of other has filled seed corn orders from ceiving their permission. Texas to British Columbia.

When the Mason County Farm Commission Told of Bureau was organized in 1919 she became an active member and has continued so.

In November 1929, working with Mrs. George V. Felt of Amber, the prevail for all milk sold. two women went out to work with five other teams, all masculine, and talked co-operation to Mason County farmers with such vim that they rememberships and what made the memberships particularly interesting to the other teams, the two had \$70 in new members in remaining with the organization. This made the two at that time the state's champion team in Farm Bureau membership drives

White Rye Developed

bread making qualities.

ourses became interested in seed of 30 bushels to the acre on a sandy financially powerful, owns \$16,000,000 corn growing and made an outstand- soil area. It is expected that there in equipment and property, and coning success with growing Golden will be approximately 1,000 bushels trols the milk for New York City, Glow under direction of the Michigan of this seed for sale in Wisconsin and is said to average its producers this year.

> Don't fail to put your hand in your pocket when you feel for the poor.



"The trouble with this country is

that it ain't got sense enough to lock the stable door until the horse is "Look at the kind o' folks that is

practicin' birth control an' the kind that ain't. "I had to drive to the county seat this mornin' an' just on the other

side o' the rallroad track I nearly run into one o' them pre-war Fords. "It was drove by a greasy-lookin' fat Dago an' he leaned out an' sassed me like I was some o' the hired help. "He drove on before I could do any

thing, but I seen about seven or eight o' his progeny in the back seat an' it set me to thinkin "Them kind o' foreigners is gettin thick as fleas on a dog, an' they live on nothin' but a nickel's worth of

around like they owned the earth. "The worst of it is they have more children than a brindle cat while our kind o' folks is findin' ways and means to keep from havin' any or else

"Folks ain't got sense enough to se what it's leadin' to.

pleasant things an' leavin' the future

"But some mornin' they're goin' to wake up an' find foreigners runnin this country an' shovin' white folks off the sidewalk.

"They'll squall then, when it's too late, an' I hope ever' one that talked birth control has to take in some Dago's washin,

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WHY CHILDREN **BREAK SOME TOYS**

Intricate Toys Delight Elders; Child Resorts To Taking Apart.

Mothers are often distressed by the fact that small children seem to be wantonly destructive of their own and other persons' property. By providing the right kind of toys and the right kind of guidance this undesirable trait can usually be overcome without difficulty. It is natural for a child to want to

pull things apart merely from curiosity, which is a sign of normal mental growth. The solution to the problem is obviously to give children toys which are meant to be taken apart, such as the wooden take-apart trains and automobiles, nests of boxes, and steel construction sets.

It is essential that the child himself be able to do something with his toys. Intricate mechanical toys which delight his elders interest him for a few minutes, and then because there is nothing else for him to do with them the child begins to pull them apart to see what makes them go. By providing blocks that can be thrown about and old papers that can be cut up, parents can save valuable household furnishings.

A child's belongings should not be handed over to other children of the family or taken by them unless they One season she grew enough Gold- first ask his permission, and similarn Glow to plant 1,500 acres and won ly he should not be permitted to go given at Michigan State College, She members of the family without re-

Dairy League Plan

League insists that fluid milk prices

The Dairymen's League does some distributing in a competitive way, it was shown. It contracts for all the milk of each of its members, thus preturned in the evening with 10 new venting possibility of part of the milk finding its way onto the market through competitive channels.

Mr. Linsell provided the Milk Ineash stressing the intentions of the quiry Commission with data regarding the League's set up and operation.

Commissioners Study The Dairymen's League

Lansing-Prof. W. O. Hedrick and By U. of Wisconsin Paul Woodworth, members of the Commission of Inquiry into the Cost Madison-White rye, developed of Milk, were dispatched to New from the standard pedigreed Schlan- York state the week of September 21 stedt rye, is winning a reputation by the Commission to make a comin Wisconsin for high quality of piete report on the milk marketing League, an enterprise which has In 1931 this variety gave a yield grown to enormous proportions, is \$1.52 per cwt. for all milk, the Commission has been informed.

The Commissioners were there also

Avoid Frosted Potatoes Lansing-Potato harvesting deadline

ates to avoid frost damage are given y Michigan State College as follows: Before Sept. 30 for territory north f Cadillac; before Oct. 10 from Cadilac to Lansing; before Oct. 20 for the southern three tiers of counties. Frosted potatoes-dug too late-are estimated to have cost Michigan preducers \$4,000,000 last year. Earlier

planting was noted this year.

to compare Michigan and New York marketing conditions and opportunities as they studied the Dairymen's League.

Pastures in Wisconsin on the first of August were reported as 48 per cent of normal, the lowest condition

Skins may be removed from tomatoes by a light scalding or by turning them quickly over a flame.

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The Little Girl Was Taken Ill

FARMER'S family had guests from the city—a man, his wife and young daughter. The first evening of the visit, the little girl suddenly became ill. Stepping to his telephone, the farmer called a doctor from the town six miles away. The doctor arrived soon after, and it developed that if there had been no telephone to summon aid a very serious sickness would have resulted.

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Farm News Patterns

garlic till they get money enough for a second-hand car an' then they swell

stoppin' with one.

"All they think about is dodgin' un-

to look out for itself.



"This is Clara's third child an' she's been married only five years," Ma says. "The poor soul has started n to lead the kind of life I've led. My life has been drudgery from the day I married."

"Yes, I remember you sayin' that, mama," I says, "but it seems to me like people with only one child worry an' fret more than people with six or

"They may worry an' fret more," Ma says, "but they don't work as hard, or at least the wife don't. I had all of ours to take care of with out any help from you, an' if I had my life to live over I certainly wouldn't have so many children."

"Which one of ours would you leave out, mama?" I asked. "That's not the point," Ma says. "I

just don't believe in big families." "You're gettin' awful modern, mama," I says. "You used to think

"I changed my mind when your brother Dan married the second time," Ma says. "His first wife worked herself to death raisin' his seven children, an' she never even got a day off to attend the county fair, but his second wife hasn't got any children an' he's taken her all over the United States and to Europe.

"You can't judge all men by what Dan does," I argued.

"I know I can't," Ma says, "but I can judge his brothers by it, an' you're one of them." (Copyright 1931 Publisher's Synd.)

Once **Before Dinner**

WE'VE counted the number of times food is delivered to our stores every day. Big trucks, little trucks, medium-sized trucks—every time anything on wheels drove up to our doors with something new for us, we marked it down.

We did it so we could go around asking people, "Guess why our stores always have nice fresh food?" and when they gave up we could say, "Because our stores get ten separate deliveries of nice fresh food every single day."

The stores we checked up on were receiving new supplies of fresh groceries sixty-two times a week-about once every hour. But, of course, some stores get fewer deliveries, just as others get more. So you see we're not trying to stretch it.

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the first to be favored with a detailed working plan of the new undertaking, and as Secretary of the Board, I will say that we were impressed first with the enormous purchasing power the Farm Bureau will have for high grade open formula feeds, adaptable seeds, fertilizers, etc., and second, a more efficient system of distribution can be worked out when all the co-operatives of the State are signed up and stand solidly behind this project, which will mean a material saving to be passed on to the farmer.

Sincerely yours,

Cassopolis, Mich

GLENN HASLETT, Sec'y.

CENTRAL FARMERS' ASS'N.

Mr. C. L. Brody, Sec'y, Michigan State Farm Bureau, Lansing, Michigan.

This new plan of affiliation should meet the hearty approval of every ass'n which has not yet joined. To co-operate with the Farm Bureau is to strengthen the interests of and render service to the farmers of Michigan.

(Continued from page 1) State Farm Bureau life members by

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Sincerely yours, C. L. NORTON, Mgr.

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Hold Membership, and Stock In Services; Write Their Approval.

Lansing-Six more Michigan armers co-operative assn's have taken nembership in the Farm Bureau and will own common and preferred stock in Farm Bureau Services, Inc. under the new plan for closer affiliation, Sec'y C. L. Brody of the Farm Bureau announces.

The plan was announced several nonths ago by Sec'y Brody. Co-operatives appreciate the possibilities in a co-operative-Farm Bureau affiliation and are endorsing the movement. Co ops accepting the plan recently are:

Benzie Company, Beulah Boyne City Co-op Ass'n Falmouth Co-op Ass'n Leelanau Twp. Farm Bureau, North-

port Farmers Co-op Ass'n, Traverse City Oxford Co-op Ass'n

Oxford Co-op Ass'n

ACCEPTED PREVIOUSLY
Battle Creek Farm Bu. Ass'n
Dowagiac Farmers Co-op Ass'n
St. Joe Valley Shipg. Ass'n, Buchanan
and Niles
Holland Co-operative Ass'n, Holland
and Harlem
Kalamazoo Farmers Prod. Co.
Farmers Co-op Elevator Co., Jamestown, Vriesland and Hudsonville
White Lake Marketing Ass'n, Montague
Stanwood Co-operative Ass'n
Central Farmers Ass'n, Cassopolis
Byron Center Co-op Co.

Co-ons Endorse Plan

Co-ops Endorse Plan

Following are two letters written Sec'y Brody by co-operative ass'n officers, endorsing the movement: Brody Explains Farm BYRON CENTER CO-OPERATIVE CO
Byron Center, Mich.
Mr. C. L. Brody, Sec'y,
Michigan State Farm Bureau,
Lansing, Michigan. Bureau Life Membership

I am more than pleased with the new plan. To me it means the Co-ops are co-operating, and I know we are pioneer-ing a plan that will mean a great deal to the farmers of today, and more to his Fred Dobbyn William Bateson ...

Yours sincerely, JEROME LILLY, Mgr. THE ST. JOE VALLEY SHIPPING ASSOCIATION Buchanan, Michigan

Mr. C. L. Brody, Executive Sec'y & Treas., Michigan State Farm Bureau, Lansing, Michigan.

It is with a great deal of gratification on my part to note the success you are having in lining up the co-operative as-sociations over the State on the new or-ganization plan.

I think the Board of Directors of the St. Joe Valley shipping Association was

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The mistake which blights the lives of so many is not that they make a definite choice of evil, but rather that they never choose at all .- John Mac-

"What kind of boys go to heaven, Willie?"

WANTED-FARM WORK

WANTED—WORK ON FARM BY month or year by middle aged married man, 2 children. Understand farm work thoroughly and like to work with stock. Can furnish the best of references. Would like references too. Write Hayes Ellsworth, 114 E. Maple St., Lansing, Michlgan or phone 8723 and ask for Mr. Ellsworth.

(9-26-1t)

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WANTED—STEADY FARM WORK by elderly man. Clean, neat, refined. Wages no object. Interested in good home. Can do general work well. Must be near Lansing or be furnished transportation to get there. W. H. Wright, the ricer, while the potato pulp is the ricer, while the potato pulp is the ricer, while the potato pulp is the ricer. The skins will stay in the ricer, while the potato pulp is the ricer, while the potato pulp is the ricer. The skins will stay in the ricer, while the potato pulp is the ricer, while the potato pulp is the ricer. The skins will stay in the ricer, while the potato pulp is the ricer, while the potato pulp is the ricer. The skins will stay in the ricer, while the potato pulp is the ricer, while the potato pulp is the ricer. The skins will stay in the ricer, while the potato pulp is the ricer, while the potato pulp is the ricer. The skins will stay in the ricer, while the potato pulp is the ricer. The skins will stay in the ricer, while the potato pulp is the ricer. The skins will stay in the ricer, while the potato pulp is the ricer. The skins will stay in the ricer, while the potato pulp is the ricer. The skins will stay in the ricer, while the potato pulp is the ricer. The skins will stay in the ricer. The ski

WANTED—FARM WORK BY YEAR by mature married man, one son. Experienced poultryman. H. A. Wickham, Lansing, R-1, Mich., % A. C. Trowbridge.

Jesse E. Houk. Landington, R-5 C. A. Schwass Scottville, R-1 Staples, which come in clips of 100, eliminates the use of twine, speeding up the job to a point which effects a 60 percent saving in labor. WANTED—FARM WORK BY CAPABLE middle aged man. Single. Glad
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Lansing, Mich.

WANTED—WORK ON FARM BY
month or year or would like to rent a
furnished farm and manage it. Young
married man, 2 children. Have worked
on farm all my life, good with machinery
and have operated milking machinery
and have operated mil OSCEOLA

OF DAIRY PROFITS

State How In Their Opinion Producers Can Build Net Income

Another thing of vital importance is the Legislative Program. This one branch of the Farm Bureau Services has accomplished a great deal and much more can be done through combined co-East Lansing-Thirty-one Michigan cow testers meeting at State College It meets with my approval too, to know that all the Associations backing this new plan will have a voice in shaping its policies. Personally I have a vision of some great things being accomplished by the Farm Bureau within the next tew years. I have implicit confidence in the personnel of the management and this new organization plan should have the loyal support of every co-operative association in the State.

May you have success in lining them in late August to discuss dairy breed-

May you have success in lining them milk and butterfat costs. 3. Growing a larger percentage of

feeds at home. more cattle.

markable increase. In April the test- igan. Under the new plan of organization between the co-operative ass'ns and Farm Bureau Services, Inc., a more friendly relationship is established, and we are already more than pleased with the co-operation and services rendered by Farm Bureau Services. ers recommended the crop for the All of the bottles were released value of alfalfa.

Recommendations for pasture im- cerning currents of the lake, provement consisted of rye and vetch, The purpose of the investigation special mention for late summer the lake, but to navigation as well.

McCLEAN PROUD OF **SERVICES RENDERED**

1,700 Farm Bureau Members Nat'l Farm Bureau For In Illinois County Is Result.

Champaign, Ill.-McClean county, Ill., famous for its McClean county hog system, one of the richest agricultural counties in the nation, has 1,700 Farm Bureau members, and credits its growth to the success of the projects it has sponsored.

These members pay \$15 dues per year, but last year they figured their savings through their Farm Bureau Services at \$103,222.30, or an average 300% return on their investment, according to the Farm Bureau.

McClean County Service Co. sold \$425,000 worth of petroleum products last year. 1,580 Farm Bureau members or 83,15% used this service. The average patronage refund to members was \$38.68, or a total of about \$64,000. Non-members' oil business added Chas. Woodruff. Hastings, R-2 the preferred stock, to pay income tax and add \$12,000 to the surplus. ...Benton Harbor, R-3
...Benton Harbor, R-3
...Three Oaks
...Three Oaks ...Bronson, R-5 ers from \$4 to \$8 per thousand, the Bureau states.

The Farm Bureau supplies an en .Grand Ledge, R-3 ployers' liability insurance that saves HURON Davison, R-2 the members about \$8,100 a year in premiums

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Benton Harbor-The tedious task of tying new grapevines to the wires in vineyards each year has been eliminated with the invention of the Hogue grape tyer which has been developed by C. M. Hogue, inventor of the E-Z Pak basket, in conjunction with the local Rosback company.

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Rates on Application

Young People Do You Posses: Worth?

Wade, Fowler, Michigan. (9-26-1t)

Wanted Wanted Work By Year on general or dairy farm by married man, 32, one child. Good miker; worked on 26 cow dairy farm. Can handle tractor, machinery. Can give references. Pat Miles, 328 East St. Joseph St., Lansing, Mich. Telephone 54-468. (9-26-1t)

Wanted St. Joseph St., Lansing, Waldo E. Phillips. Decatur, R-4

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BOTTLE FLOATS 10 MILES DAILY IN LAKE MICHIGAN

Surprising Facts Discovered About Big Lake's Currents.

Lansing-Traveling at the rate of almost 10 miles a day, a bottle travelled along the waters of Lake Michigan from St. Joseph to Sleeping Bear pare daughters with dam's producing Point in Leelanau county. The bottle, carried along by the currents of the 2. Improved pastures to lessen lake, travelled the 200 miles in 20 days from June 18 to July 8.

The bottle was one of 283 released this summer in various parts of Lake 4. Keeping continuous records on Michigan from the steamer Fulmar, operated by the United States Bureau They reported that bulls were being of Fisheries: Each of the bottles kept longer. That 61% of the pas- carried a note asking the finder to tures are permanent pastures, that return the note together with informa-113 dairy herd improvement ass'n tion as to the date and the place members in every 1,000 of such mem- where the bottle was found, to the bers seeded soybeans in 1931, a re- Bureau's office at Ann Arbor, Mich-

emergency legume hay value of soy- from June 17 to August 17. To Augbeans, and emphasized the permanent ust 22, 88 bottles had been recovered, giving considerable information con-

or rye alone this fall for early 1932 is to determine the various surface pasture; also sweet clover seeded in current tendencies of the Lake. The spring grains, and alfalfa seeded for information will be of service not pasture. Sudan grass was given only to commercial fishermen along

The 200 mile journey of one bottle from St. Joseph to Leelanau county is the longest taken by any of the released bottles. One other bottle, thrown into the water 52 miles from Chicago on the route to St. Joseph was found 24 days later seven miles south of Manistee.

Adding Equalization Fee Chicago-Amendment to the Agricultural Marketing Act to provide the Federal Farm Board with definite machinery for adequately controlling crop surpluses and for fully protect ing the domestic market as a market for the American farmer is to be sought by the American Farm Bureau Federation. The Bureau recommends adoption

tionate shares of any costs accuring by President Coollinge. to the effective control of crop surpluses; so as to make fully operative

of the equalization fee principle, commodity consumed in the United "which means that all units of a given States," the Bureau's statement said. commodizy flowing in the channels The equalization fee was twice apof commerce shall bear their propor- proved by Congress and vetoed twice

Given the facts, the farmer has our protective tariff system for agri- demonstrated repeatedly that he can cultural products, and to stabilize formulate a course of action as intellidomestic markets for that part of the gently as any other business man.

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