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SALES TAX OFF ALL CONTAINERS CONSUMER KEEPS

One Exemption Fought for by Farmers, Manufacturers Is Conceded

Lansing.-Farmers, manufacturers,

such goods for wrappers and con- sing, January 19. tainers as are retained by the consumer. Milk bottles and containers which are loaned to the consumer will continue to be subject to sales tax.

The Michigan State Farm Bureau ruling was in accord with part of the petition filed by the Farm Bureau in properly subject to retail sales tax. perimental and testing division. The Farm Bureau's petition included

ly stated in a resolution that its in- wagons. tent was not to lay sales tax on goods tions. The Board blew hot and blew hand. Implement schools will be Michigan farmers. cold until August 30, 1933, when it plumped for exemption in a sweeping resolution which granted every exemption asked by the Farm Bureau WOOL POOL FINAL in its broad resolution.

Following critical remarks by the Attorney General, the Board withdrew its resolution and passed the buck to Governor Comstock, who declined the Board's request to put the whole mat- Wool Marketing Association ter before the Legislature for correc-

And there it stands. Waiting until the next regular session of the Legis lature can amend the law to compel observance of the intent of the Legislature in the matter of goods pur

In special sessions, the Legislature pool. may consider only those matters in cents according to grade to the gen- Exchange for its annual dinner at consumption. Something has to be has learned that transcontinental railsession in late 1933 adopted a resolution tartly reminding the Administration that the sales tax was unfinished business insofar as exemptions for farmer producers and for manufacturers were concerned.

BUREAU, GRANGE DECLARE POLICY ON LOCAL GOV'T

Changes If Any Should Be Limited to Metropolitan

ernment work well in the rural dis- or elsewhere on the order of the Na- the Exchange are invited to come and

2. It is evident that they may not and in certain instances do not work well in metropolitan areas. For example, Wayne county conforms by electing 144 supervisors who are nothing but scenery. They draw pay, but do nothing. They seldom bother to meet for more than an hour. Certain other large cities are an island within one or more townships. Around Lansing some 8,000 people live in the fringes of Lansing town-

Cities and people living in certain townships adjacent to large cities want the privilege of improving their particular governments.

that they were satisfied with county and township principles as they are blanket change in county or township East Lansing, Mich. government from any source.

780 telegrams every minute of every service was started from New York had a better year than 1932. At De- of shippers to Buffalo meeting at land. Bedloe's Island contains fourths of the town tax spent for a man who knew how to enlist in his

Farm Bureau Offers a Full Line of Farm Implements

Machinery Service To Farmers

Bureau has gone into the farm ma- the Farm Bureau's machinery service chinery business-with a complete line of implements and tractors.

on packages or containers which are in with Indiana, Ohio, and 14 other members and co-operative ass'ns who ables each group of people to produce delivered to consumers and are not middlewestern State Farm Bureaus buy the implements. Under all codes, normally and liberally and be able to returnable, according to a ruling of and co-ops giving farm machinery farmers' co-operatives are permitted exchange their goods on a fair basis the State Board of Tax Administra- service to their members. These patronage dividends out of earnings with other groups," said C. V. Gregory, tion, adopted recently and effective as groups work together as the National to members. The National Co-opera-editor of the Prairie Farmer, of Illi-Farmers will be exempt on pur- of the Michigan Farm Bureau told volume of business that will permit here Feb. 1. chases of baskets, syrup cans, egg car- 100 co-op ass'n managers and direct- payment of patronage dividends to tons, bags, crates, paper, twine and ors at a machinery meeting at Lan- co-ops and farmers qualified to re- have not been able to make that ex-

Select Well Known Manufacturer

observed with satisfaction that the ments. The Avery company is the to the State Farm Bureau. In October, today, continued Mr. Gregory in his oldest agricultural implement manu- 1933, and January 1934 membership talk on the AAA. facturer in the country, with 109 credits given on such sales slips on July, 1933, asking that farmers be years of continuous service. It has purchases of Farm Bureau supplies tionship with each other, which means exclusively to produce farm products ment manufacturing plants in the Co-op ass'ns who are member stock- five year program, but a program that later to be sold at retail and then country, including an extensive ex- holders of Farm Bureau Services, Inc. we want completed in 1934. No ordi-

exemption for materials used in wrap. Avery implements for a number of co-op ass'n are eligible to any patronping, crating, or otherwise preparing years and has found them satisfac- age dividend it may declare, under think present acreage reduction and sugar plant operators, having produc products for delivery to the consumer. tory. That National Co-operatives, the Federal laws and codes now gov-Since July 1, 1933, Michigan farm. Inc., "Co-op" line of implements will erning patronage dividends. ers have paid thousands of dollars in include tillage tools of all types, mowsales tax on baskets and other con- ers, rakes, loaders, harvesting ma- Michigan farms at \$106,000,000. If the sale of U. S. goods in every na- serious sales problem being raised by chinery, tractors, threshing machines, implements normally last 10 years, tion of the world, which will be a the movement east of possibly twice July 15 the Legislature unanimous- combines, cream separators and

entering into manufacturing or agri- sing has samples of the implements implements, Farm Bureau competition time agricultural program, said Mr. and Manufacturers Beet Sugar Ass'n cultural production. It urged the on display at its Lansing warehouse. for business, and its patronage divi- Gregory should be the development of at Bay City. Sales Tax Board to grant the exemp- A stock of implements and parts is on dend possibilities will do well by agricultural products for industrial In a letter to the Farm News, Mr.

Joins With Other Co-ops in | held at Lansing and other points for co-operative ass'n dealers. Ralph Brown, an experienced implement man, with 12 years of co-operative Lansing-The Michigan State Farm State Farm Bureau, is in charge of

Patronage Dividends Possible The Farm Bureau has more than After months of investigation, the competitive prices, good implements

The National Co-operatives, Inc., Farm Bureau machinery are qualified about the Agricultural Adjustment The Indiana Farm Bureau has sold if earned. In turn, members of a a task in short time.

Census figures value implements on The Farm Bureau Services at Lan- The Farm Bureau believes its line of

PAYMENT \$24,000

Will Soon Have 1934 Pool Going

Lansing-Jan. 26 the Michigan Cooperative Wool Marketing Ass'n distributed \$24,000 to grower members | Lansing - Three premium steers, | A great problem in the matter of chased for farm or manufacturing pro- as the final settlement of its 1933 first in their breeds at the Farmers increasing prices to farmers is to do twice the 1933 production of the Mich.

a meeting of all members at Lansing it's all going to be premium beef such Next big program of the AAA is to shipment of cane sugar from New Or to consider 1934 prospects and the fu- as you've never tasted before. They cut dairy production 15% and to in- leans and gulf ports to Chicago and ture of their organization. A repre- can hang out the windows and we'll clude beef cattle as a basic commodity this territory, and Atlantic coast cane sentative of the National Wool Mar- still be serving them prize beef."

better than the average of sales to a dance. Speaker is Mr. Charles Ew-Lansing-Leaders of the State round at 728 East Shiawassee street, man on the platform. None better much better. Farm Bureau and the State Grange Lansing, which is the Farm Bureau qualified than he to talk on the past, met recently to consider arguments Supply Store. The Ass'n pays for present and future of co-operative predicted by Editor Gregory in this process the beets into sugar, quickly for and against proposed changes in space only when it has wool in stor- live stock marketing. Mr. Ewing, a session of Congress will be an amend- throw their combined and co-operative township and county branches of lo- age. Michigan wools are assembled Decatur, Ill., farmer and live stock ment to compel farmers not sub- strength against this staggering comcal government. They came to the during the spring and summer and feeder, operates 2,000 acres. He has scribing to the wheat, corn, hog, cot-petition which is developing, I am following conclusions for the pres- graded at Lansing. Advance is made come up through the ranks in co-op- ton, tobacco, dairy or other reduction afraid the consequences will be most to the grower on delivery of the wool. erative live stock marketing. 1. The present forms of local gov- Graded wool is shipped direct to mills Directors and farmer members of tional Wool Marketing Corporation bring the wife. at Boston, which is the co-operative The Exchange purchases at the Colsales agent for 26 State wool pools, lege live stock show and sale and the including Michigan. The several wool owners of the steers were: pools now send about 100,000,000 lbs. of wool through their own sales organization. Each pool is a separate deal, and each year's pool is separate from all others.

The wool outlook for 1934 is good. There is no carryover and the 1933 change starts at the Hotel Olds, Lanclip is about consumed. Mills are do- sing, at 10 a. m. Feb. 23. Officers and ing a good business. Foreign imports committees will report. Three direcof wool are limited because of the tors will be elected at the afternoon tariff and because the difference in session. R. C. Ashby, professor of keep, etc. foreign exchange appears to favor the live stock marketing at the University domestic crop.

The Farm Bureau and Grange agreed Binder Head and Knotter

Common Binder Head and Knotter also speak on a marketing subject. posed changes in county government Head Troubles is a new Bulletin No. The Exchange operates a terminal ing school taxes only, under the 10 tising too: politan areas. They would not object to rural counties having the right to elect changes by a two-thirds vote of the electors, but will fight any blanket changes in the electors, but will fight any blanket change in the electors, but will fight any blanket change in the electors, but will fight any blanket change in the electors, but will fight any blanket change in the electors, but will fight any blanket change in the electors in the electors and each period from the michigan state conege.

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NOT SO LONG AGO

to San Francisco on January 25, 1915. troit the Exchange brought about a Jackson recently.

Annual Meeting of Large Farm Group at Lansing - Feb. 22-23

Week live stock show, have been pur-The final payment added from 4 to 9 chased by the Michigan Live Stock sumers far more and discouraging igan-Indiana-Ohio beet producers. cents according to grade to the general advance of 18 cents on medium wools and 15 cents on fine wools, made at the time of delivery of the wool to at the time of the terribly expensive costs of distribution, the speaker said. It is a fact, said he, that the margin between the farmer to at the time of the terribly expensive costs of distribution, the speaker said. It is a fact, said he, the time of the terribly expensive costs of distribution, the speaker said. It is a fact, said he, the time of the terribly expensive costs of distribution, the speaker said. It is a fact, said he, the time of the terribly expensive costs of distribution, the speaker said. It is a fact, said he, the time of the terribly expensive costs of distribution, the speaker said. It is a fact, said he, the time of the terribly expensive costs of distribution, the speaker said. It is a fact, said he, the time of the terribly expensive costs of distribution, the speaker said. It is a fact, said he, the time the Ass'n. Early season advances of see if they can run us out of prime that the margin between the farmer sugar shippers to break carloads of Legislature, Jan. 24, the State High-until it reaches \$4,500,000 in 1935. 9 cents and further increases were beef. We've got three steers this and the consumer increased every sugar into smaller minimum carloads brought up to the 15 and 18 cent levels year. We had two last year; 925 diyear after the war, and during the for shipment in Michigan, Ohio and if the weight tax were reduced 35c per counties from the combined weight by the Ass'n as the market advanced. rectors, members and their wives
About the middle of February the came. We had to serve some ham, instead of lessening, as with other On top of that, rectors, members and their wives depression it has grown still wider Indiana territory.

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The Michigan group has completed ness meeting of the Exchange. A

Premium Shorthorn Steer George MacLachlan, Evart Premium Aberdeen Angus Steer Wilbur Prowse, No. Branch Premium Hereford Steer J. H. Wakefield, Kinde

Annual business meeting of the Ex-

East Buffalo, N. Y. Both co-op houses The Producers annual meeting at The Statue of Liberty is situated continued to handle more than a third Buffalo is scheduled for Feb. 12-13. on Bedloe's Island, one and a half

PRAIRIE FARMER **EDITOR SEES AAA** SUCCESS IN '34

ass'n experience for the Michigan Amendment to Compel All Not Signing Not to Increase

and merchants need not pay sales tax Michigan Farm Bureau decided to go and Farm Bureau Service to offer its for prosperity is a situation that en-Co-operatives, Inc., Sec'y C. L. Brody tives, Inc., are out to produce a nois, to a Farmers Week audience

Farm Bureau members purchasing had something to do with bringing decided upon the B. F. Avery & Sons for membership credits if earned. Administration and a great many Co. of Louisville, Ky., line of imple- They should turn their sales slips in other unusual things we are doing

will be eligible to patronage dividends nary methods will accomplish such

surplus control efforts could be used ed a 1933 crop of 4,173,000 hundred beyond 1935. He believes that the weight of sugar for sale in those long time program will be to promote States and adjoining territory, have a Michigan farmers then buy about slow process in face of world tariffs, that amount of western beet sugar for \$10,600,000 in implements annually. imports quotas and other restrictions a market in this territory, according awaiting conciliation. Second long to Mr. F. L. Crawford of the Farmers uses, as soy bean oil is now displacing Crawford says that the sugar beet inmported linseed oil, and so on.

> purchases of marginal lands best suit- bags more than the western States was suggested for the poorer lands.

vated crops. It would be better farm- New Orleans. ing to put more of it in grass lands. of excess crops," Mr. Gregory held.

subject to AAA aid Since 1928 every sugar refineries have petitioned the

15 annual wool pools, most of them splendid program of entertainment that the work of the AAA to date and where Michigan, Ohio and Indiana returning member growers a net price will be given, to be topped off with pending amendments to the Act will beet sugar producers are attempting begin to show real results in 1934, to build a market for their sugar. local buyers. The Michigan Ass'n has ing, president of the National Live and that within the year prices of all "Unless the beet growers who own excellent warehouse facilities the year Stock Marketing Ass'n a very able farm products to the farmer will be 50% of the sugar produced in East-

> programs NOT TO INCREASE their adverse to our eastern production," normal production. This amendment Mr. Crawford said. will pass, Mr. Gregory said.

1933 Legislature to be constitutional. Persons foreclosed or about to be foreclosed may appeal to the circuit

Sales Tax Paid On Farm Supplies For Food Production

Production

"For 13 years American farmers

Mortgage Moratorium Law In Michigan Constitutional

The Michigan Supreme Court has declared the Bischoff-Munshaw Mort- Mich.-Ohio-Indiana gage Moratorium Act enacted by the court for a stay until June 1, 1935.

of Illinois and rated the best informed New Delinquent Tax Ruling igan Farm News at 72c per edition owns its place of business and other local taxpayers and a reduction in of Illinois and rated the best informed local taxpayers and a reduction in man on the subject in the country, Jan. 30 Michigan's Supreme Court brought a buyer who took two cows property and handles seem and a reduction in State funds to cut expenditures at man on the subject in the country, will speak in the afternoon. Prof. ruled that properly owners may pay at a price that was satisfactory to of supplies every week. The Co-op least 15%, the statement added. Bulletin Offered by College George Brown of the Michigan State any part of their delinquent taxes any both Mr. Rinke and himself. This is reported its surplus as \$33,859.54 and College animal husbandry dep't will time disregarding other unpaid items. the ad that did the business. You'll sales for 1933 as \$129,601.02. William Auditor General Stack objected to tak- see in this edition's classified adver- Riemersma has been its manager for

REVIVED MICHIGAN SUGAR INDUSTRY'S **MARKET ATTACKED**

Invades Michigan, Ohio, Indiana Markets

Saginaw.-Michigan, Indiana and Mr. Gregory said that he did not Ohio sugar beet producers and beet

dustry west of Lake Michigan pro-Even so, there will continue to be duced 5,232,000 hundred weight more a need for limiting agricultural pro- sugar in 1933 than in 1932, which is duction for a long time. Government about 7 million hundred weight or ed for reforestration as public parks, offer a market for. The western game refuges, and national forests States territory is considered to include all States west of a line drawn

Accordingly, western beet sugar is It may be feasible to work out some moving east to find a market and incentive along taxation advantages to hundreds of thousands of bags of it west appears to be directing a sugar

On top of that, rail rates have been reduced 12c per cwt. and upwards for keting Corporation will attend, possibly the general manager.

The annual dinner at 7:00 p. m. year has seen dairy production in greater to AAA and year has seen dairy production in greater to AAA and year has seen dairy production in greater to AAA and year has seen dairy production in greater to AAA and year has seen dairy production in greater to AAA and year has seen dairy production in greater to AAA and year has seen dairy production in greater to AAA and year has seen dairy production in greater to AAA and year has seen dairy production in greater to AAA and year has seen dairy production in greater to AAA and year has seen dairy production in greater to AAA and year has seen dairy production in greater to AAA and year has seen dairy production in greater to AAA and year has seen dairy production in greater to AAAA and year has seen dairy production in greater to AAAA and year has seen dairy production in greater to AAAA and year has seen dairy production in greater to AAAA and year has seen dairy production in greater to AAAA and year has seen dairy production in greater to AAAA and year has seen dairy production in greater to AAAA and year has been dairy production in greater to AAAA and year has been dairy production in greater to AAAA and year has been dairy production in greater to AAAA and year has been dairy production in greater to AAAA and year has been dairy production in greater to AAAA and year has been dairy production in greater to AAAA and year has been dairy production in greater to AAAA and year has been dairy production in greater to AAAA and year has been dairy production in greater to AAAA and year has been dairy production in greater to AAAA and year has been dairy production in greater to AAAA and year has been dairy production in greater to AAAA and year has been dairy production in greater to AAAA and year has been dairy production in greater to AAAA and year has been dairy production in greater to AAAA and year has been dairy production in greater to AAAA and year has been dairy It is the opinion of Editor Gregory they desire to ship into the territory ern territory, and who grow all the Principal amendment to the AAA beets, and the mill operators who

Following is his statement of beet sugar production in the two areas for the past two seasons: 1932 Bags

Western Territory W. of L. Michigan 22,850,000 28,082,000 Eastern Territory 4,173,000 4,388,000 27,023,000 32,470,000 Total

This Ad Sold 2 Cows

Warren .- John A. Rinke & Sons,

1311/2 acres.

FARM BUREAU AND GRANGE ENDORSE STATE AUTO LICENSE REDUCTION PLAN **NOT AT PROPERTY OWNERS' EXPENSE**

Declare Economy in State Highway Dep't, County Road Commissions Could Offset \$6,000,000 Shrink in Revenue

Urge Cut to Not More Than 35c Per Hundred;

Lansing.—Michigan should reduce the cost of license plates for automobiles from 55 cents to not more than 35 cents per hundred weight of the car.

It is estimated that action would decrease State Highway Dep't revenues from the license fee or weight tax by about \$6,000,000 annually.

However, if the people will insist on certain reforms and economies in the State Highway Dep't and the County Road Commissions expenses can be reduced about \$6,000,000 which should enable the State to return about the present exempted on purchases of seeds, feeds, kept pace with the times and has one amounted to 2% of the purchase price a long ways up for prices of farm western Beet Sugar Surplus for at present to eliminate local property taxes for local highway purposes, said the Michigan State Farm Bureau and State Grange leaders following a general conference here January 30.

Guarantee Counties \$15,000,000

'The Farm Bureau and the Grange endorse a reduction in the weight tax to not more than 35 cents per hundred and are satisfied after careful study that with proper highway legislation and economies in the State Highway Dep't and the County Road Commissions such a reduction can be accomplished without an increase in the gas tax or adding \$6,000,000 to the backs of the property taxpayers," the state-

The Grange and Farm Bureau urged legislation to place all the gas and weight tax receipts in one fund. They urged an appropriation therefrom of \$15,000,000 annually to the counties on the basis of the Horton Act to retire local road bonds, to provide for county and township road maintenance "Too much good land is in culti- through the Illinois-Indiana border to and construction. Sinking fund requirements of State highway bonds should have next call, then maintenance of the State Highway system, then the State Highway Dep't. Remaining funds should be applied to match Federal governmake it an object to put more tillage and Toledo, Mr. Crawford said. The land into grass to relieve the weight west appears to be directing a sure of the directing as the directing a sure of the directing as the direction of the directing as the direction of the dir should be devoted to new construction, according to the two

Highway Dep't Doesn't

the counties by \$6,000,000. would rest on the backs of the prop-

erty taxpayers. The Highway Dep't explained that the counties could meet the situation State Highway Dep't \$37,000,000 in by refunding Covert and general taxes in 1933. The weight tax reduccounty and township road bonds under State credit over a greater period hundred, proposed by the State Highcrease the interest burden.

could be lowered by turning mainte- in the interest of all the taxpayers is nance of the county and township to spend less and not transfer a proroads over to a centralized system, meaning, of course, itself.

retorted that reform and economy could save \$6,000,000 in the State and County Highway departments and not interfere with the present program to automobile tax funds.

Coopersville Co-op Ass'n Patronage Dividend \$7905.24

Coopersville.-More than 300 atvator Co. Jan. 17, to find that their \$1,000,000 annually for new bridges. The court will determine a fair rental dairymen here, had some excellent association had declared a patronage The State isn't building new bridges during that period to pay taxes, up- surplus Holstein cattle. The follow- dividend for 1933 of \$7,905.24 in ad- and the money goes somewhere else, ing classified advertisement publish- dition to paying the regular interest the statement said. County Road ed in the Dec. 2 and Jan. 6, 1934, Mich- on the outstanding stock. The co-op Commissions should be compelled by a number of years. Speakers at the annual meeting were E. A. Beamer. S. M. Powell of Ionia, Overseer, of the annual meeting were E. A. Beamer,

The automobile, unknown thirty of the total receipts in 1933. Both Michigan will be represented by three miles southwest of the Battery, the years ago, is responsible for about

Enforce Local Economies The counties now receive all of the

hundred on passenger cars, it would and gas tax as suggested by the Farm reduce the money being refunded to Bureau and Grange represents a million or two less for the County Road In other words, the State Highway Commissions to make up by econodepartment was willing to place all the mies comparable to those asked of the cost back in the counties, where it State Highway Dep't in following paragraphs.

Reduce Taxes by Spending Less "The people of Michigan paid the tion from 55 cents to 35 cents per of years. Which of course, would in- way Dep't and which we endorse, may reduce highway income by possibly The Dep't suggested that expenses \$6,000,000. The way to reduce taxes posed reduction to the backs of the property taxpayers. We will resist The Farm Bureau and the Grange that. The \$6,000,000 can be saved," the statement said.

Suggestions for State Dep't Economy suggestions by the farm pay all local highway expenses with automobile tax funds.

groups were (1) a \$1,000,000 cut in State highway dep't operations; (2) a possible \$2,000,000 savings on the \$3,000,000 set aside by the Highway Dep't for the Detroit street widening contract. If Detroit doesn't match the \$3,000,000, the State highway dep't should not be allowed to spend the unused balance of State money for tended the annual meeting and dinner other purposes, the farm leaders said; of the Coopersville Co-operative Ele- (3) repeal the law setting aside

Farm Bureau and Grange officers attending the conference included C,

Andrew Carnegie prepared the fol-The first coast to coast telephone gained in volume handled in 1933 and delegates elected by 75 representatives southern extremity of Manhattan Is- half the county tax and three- lowing epitaph for himself: "Here lies service better men than himself."



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Your Wife and Farm Organization

"Bring your wife and a well filled basket" is quite often the invitation sent out by those in charge of farmer gatherings. This is a splendid idea if the two can be separated after they arrive. There's nothing that can equal a meal shared together for mellowing the atmosphere of a meeting of any sort. It breaks the ice for general discussion and harmonious understanding.

The best annual meetings are those that include a meal, a little fun, some entertainment and a certain amount of business,

The failure of some local co-operative efforts in our state can be attributed to unbalanced programs just as much as the unbalanced business methods employed. Farmers like to talk over their business. They like to hear the other fellow's opinion. They need to have explained the misunderstandings. They need analysis of the gossip of the false prophet. They need the reason why such a thing did or did not happen. The farmer can enter into the discussion with an easier feeling if his reserve has been wiped away during a social hour.

But the clearing of HIS mind is but half of the battle,-if for any reason his wife has not been made familiar with the matter in question. If the only reason the invitation is extended so as to include her is to serve the contents of that basket, and to pick up afterward, that meet-

ing has lost an opportunity that someday it's promoters will regret. There's no more important factor connected with the surplusglutted dairy business of today than the women, both in the country and

Yet our farm women are seldom invited to a milk meeting unless a meal is to be served. She seldom has the privilege even to "sit and listen" to the representative from the State or National Associationsand were she ever so informed or capable of sharing the responsibility,

I fear she'd never be considered eligible. If any sound or permanent policy for the betterment of agriculture or rural life is to be set up, it must be based on the serious thought as well as experience of many people who understand the needs and the facts concerning the situation, and not on the opinion of a few men.

Secretary Wallace spoke quite at length on that thought at the American Farm Bureau meeting in Chicago. He expressed a hope that more debate in community gatherings be waged at once on the agricultural condition of the country and the methods advocated for improve-

Farm women have a rightful place in such debate. What they think and believe is important. No long-time plan for rural betterment can succeed without their co-operation. Their voices should be heard and their talents mobilized

Farm women have a horror of debt. They are not plungers; they are fearful of consequences. Yet when the debt is once contracted, the majority of them will sacrifice and scrimp and worry until the last cent is paid. How much easier it would be for her if she understood all of the ins and outs connected with that debt!

Our farm woman everywhere should now be giving the numerous codes a thorough study-she should know definitely if their farm business was given a fair deal. She should hear about the new oil and gasoline deal the Farm Bureau hopes to establish in her neighborhood. She should be told all about the farm machinery business the Farm Bureau has launched into. She should know what savings and protection may be brought to her home through the insurance now available. She should know that the wool pool has survived all of the numerous obstacles put out in early years to kill off the pooling method and that now it means money to her home to market their clip in that way. She should understand just why the Farm Bureau organization is active during sessions of Congress and her State Legislature and why she is needed many times when members count. She should be encouraged to use her talent, her power for thinking, her ability to write and to speak and to

Never before was local leadership so imperative. So many times some farm woman is the one who should be the leader because she will take the time, she will look after details, she will attend meetings, she will make the necessary reports.

Why not give her a chance?

Not only do we plead for our women to interest themselves in all of these matters so vital to the welfare of their homes and families, but we just as earnestly plead with our men to let them share the work and share the planning. If our men folks cannot take the time to push organization and co-operative work; cannot start a series of meetings, cannot outline a balanced program, in Heaven's name,-muster in an energetic woman and tell her it is her job and then watch results.

Many times I've wished the County Farm Bureau had elected the Mrs. of the family on the board and let the better half serve as the ornamental wall flower. There's all reason to believe the selection would not have been any more fatal to the cause and many chances to one a revival would have been on the way at once.

No County Farm Bureau board member can justify his re-election to another term who does not make the attempt to have several membership meetings during the winter months, for he is materially hindering the cause and allowing false propagandists to come in and create sentiment contrary to straight thinking and co-operative action.

People want sound farm organization now as never before. Why not make it our job to give them the type that is progressive, that is patriotic in spirit, that can survive the obstructionist? That can stand the light of day on all of its methods and policies! Why not bring them into the

Sales Tax Gag Rule is Denied

Attorney General O'Brien's effort to gag public determination to test in court rulings of the State Board of Tax Administration applying the sales tax to supplies bought for manufacturing and agricultural production was rebuked February 1 by the State Supreme Court. The Court by a unanimous decision denied Mr. OBrien's appeal to dismiss a circuit court decision in the matter against the Sales Tax Board.

The decision means that now the 200 or more plaintiffs in the suit may proceed with action in the circuit court to get a court interpretation of the Act as against the "off again on again" decisions of the State Board of Tax Administration from behind closed doors,-without bothering about hearings.-It's decisions had the force of law.

The Sales Tax Board has been collecting large sums in the aggregate from farmers by applying the sales tax to feeds, seeds, fertilizers, and other supplies used in food production, contrary to the intent of the Legislature as expressed unanimously to the Board. The Board on Aug. 30, 1933, declared such purchases to be exempted thereafter, but reversed itself before issuing a formal order.

Since the Sales Tax Act became effective in July the Michigan State Farm Bureau has fought by petition and otherwise to have the tax apply only to over-the-counter sales for personal consumption, which is the application for the city resident. The Supreme Court decision is important to farmers in that it compels the Attorney General and the Sales Tax Board to submit their interpretations to a determination of law and reason in open court.

Bulletin Tells Better Ways To Grow Michigan Potatoes

Michigan Potatoes, is the title of than to stand outside and try to tear special Bulletin 245 of the Michigan it down because there are some things State College. Write Bulletin clerk, about it that do not meet with your State College, East Lansing, Michigan, approval.

BEFORE WE KNOCK

If an organization is sound in principle, it is more logical to work Tests Show Better Ways to Grow in it and try to correct its weaknesses

MICHIGAN CO-OP **CREAMERIES JOIN** MIDWEST GROUP

22,000,000 lb. Annual Butter Make Involved in the Combination

Lansing-Eleven Michigan farmers' co-operative creameries with an annual butter make of 10,629,000 lbs. and a group of Indiana co-op creameries making 12,000,000 lbs. annually were joined Jan. 24 in the Midwest Producers Creameries, Inc., for sales and purchasing advantages for the benefit of their farmer members.

Indiana Farm Bureau started the Midwest Producers Creameries on its way some time back. It has been successful. Early in 1933 the Michigan State Farm Bureau brought organization to Michigan co-operative creameries as the Michigan Co-operative Creameries, Inc.

Jan. 24, 1934, after study of the Midwest Producers, creamery members of the Michigan group voted to join. Ohio and Illinois farmers' creameries are interested, according to Earl Martin of Indianapolis, general manager of the Midwest. A co-operative butter institution for the midwest states and comparable to the powerful and very successful Land O' Lakes Creameries of Minnesota appears to be in

The Michigan creameries elected as directors to the Midwest: F. C. Pernert of St. Louis; G. S. Coffman of Cold- to Restore 1926 Prices five feet long water; Elmer Hathaway of Schultz; We now have a 59c dollar as far as Fred Walker of Carson City, and C. A. gold content is concerned, by procla-Brody of Constantine. The directors mation of President Roosevelt on elected G. S. Coffman as vice-president January 31. By law, he may vary or and Fred Walker, ass't sec'y for the "manage" gold content of the dollar

Michigan group. tive creamery membership and their backing is concerned:

i	annual make of butter.	
į	Carson City	988,000 lbs:
	Constantine	1,120,000 lbs. 4,781,000 lbs.
	Grant	518,000 lbs. 269,000 lbs.
	Lawrence	320,000 lbs. 540,000 lbs.
	Marion	not stated
	St. Louis	769,000 lbs.
	Schultz -	183,000 lbs.
	Total	10.629.000 the

Farm Loan Applications and wages has been another.

Bank made loans to 446 Michigan what we're hoping for: farmers during November for a total of \$729,000, nearly twice as much as was loaned Michigan farmers in the first 11 months of 1932.

During November 128 more Michigan farmers got loans than were granted in the previous ten months. The Land Bank up to Dec. 1 had loaned \$16,214,000 to 6,147 farmers in North Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan the past 11 months.

There has been 32 times as many lichigan applications for los the 11 months in 1932 and for 30 times birds in North America, north of as much credit. Farm Loan apprais- Mexico. als for the entire Land Bank district are coming in at the rate of 5,000 a week. The appraisal division is reported to be gaining steadily on the volume of applications.

In November, 1933, farmers in the four states asked for \$60,000,000 in farm loans. Since Jan. 1, 1933, some 78,000 farmers have applied for more than \$333,000,000 in this district.

The kind of members an organization has is even more important than the number.

The Frozen Pump

By R. S. Clark

Some folks go to Florida to dodge the winter's cold.

They loll beneath the paim trees upon the sands of gold.

They sport amidst the bounding surf. They saunter at their ease,

The air is soft and balmy and

Others dwell in cities, with their broad white ways.

They hardly need to go out doors on snowy blowy days.

They do their dinky city chores as simple as you please.

There's water in the faucet and

The pump don't freeze.

But the plain dirt farmer must stick the winter through:
And twilight every morning brings a mess of chores to do.
Then when the night is snappy, with a thin keen breeze
You can bet you're mighty lucky if
The pump don't freeze.

How many times I've rasseled with the dog-goned thing—Fussed with boiling water and gunny sacks and string.

Spill half the water. Get wet to the knees—
Gee! I don't mind the winter if
The pump don't freeze.

I's no use claiming you don't care a hoot
When you slop hot water inside your felt boot,
Don't pay no attention, but prime her just right
Then grab holt the handle and
She's still froze tight.

More water, Marthy, and fetch the tin cup.
Platform's so ley that you can't stand up—
Steam on your glasses—Mittens all wet—
Ketch holt and try her. Nope,
She ain't thawed yet.

More hot water—Bring two buckets more. Can't you help, Marthy? You pump and I'll pour, Hustle back in then, right on the jump If you smell something burnin', 'cause If you smell something.
It ain't this pump.

Now she's a-startin' just the least wee bit— Squeaks like a what-you-call-it havin' a fit. Pump like the dickens, and raise the glad shout, Hey! Bring back that bucket, she's All thawed out!

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32 Times Above 1932 Herewith is a comparison of the average prices paid the Michigan St. Paul, Minn.-The Federal Land farmer in 1933 and in 1926 to show

THE PERSON NAMED IN	1926	1933
	Av. Price	Av. Price
Potatoes	\$1.70 bu.	\$.60 bu.
Wheat	1.42 bu.	.66 bu.
Corn	.72 bu.	.41 bu.
Rye	.78 bu.	.45 bu.
Barley	65 but	.42 bu.
Oats	.40 bu.	.28 bu.
Beans	4.00 cwt.	2.10 cwt.
Cattle	6.71 cwt.	3.58 cwt.
Calves	12.02 cwt.	5,40 cwt.
Sheep	6.42 cwt.	2.10 cwt.
Lambs	12.42 cwt.	5.40 cwt.
Hogs	12.02 cwt.	3.73 cwt.
Butter	.44 lb.	.21 lb.
Eggs	.34 doz.	.15 doz.

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MARRIED MAN, 30, WITH FAMILY

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Admits Third of Hogs Are Marketed Direct

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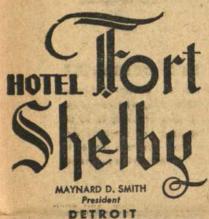
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it is a flat, hard pelt about 40 inches Sept. 1st to Dec. 31st, only 35.5% of We do not have in mind, in giving long and 24 inches wide. The hide is the beans raised in Michigan have act- you these figures, that there is any stiff and the fur dull and coarse, gen- ually moved to the trade. This is the immediate distress, or that it is necerally a dirty gray with yellow markings. But beneath this ugly outside ing up to this date of which we have sell a big lot of beans and distress the regarding watered stock and apprecoat and growing from the same base is the true fur so greatly desired.

The pelt is first placed in a hot room where the temperature is about 175 degrees. The heat loosens the but there is a tendency on the part of had several spots on this crop where true capitalization. Of course, the big affecting the base fur. These long the market in anticipation of higher to supply the demand. In these cases noted farmers got 2c a quart while hairs are then removed in the next prices. We cannot blame them for the Western farmers, or their repredistributors collected 10 yet declared operation. Then comes the tanning this, because we certainly feel they sentatives, take the business from us they couldn't make a profit on their process. The medium used is largely are entitled to a better price for their because of our inability to quote investment. the blubber of the seal itself. The re- beans. On the other hand, it is neces- prices and make deliveries. sult is a soft pliable fur which is sary that farmers move this crop and

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FEW OF 1933 CROP OF MICHIGAN BEANS HAVE BEEN SOLD

Smallest Movement On Record

When the raw fur is received here of shipments for the period starting situation to start the new crop.

sized erop this coming season.

NEARS ON BEAN

To Farmers, Orderly

Marketing

to its desirability.

and one from New York,

mand from time to time.

ment, if and when formulated.

The meat of the agreement con-

this minimum price to be changed

with the variation in supply and de-

It has a supplementary part to

It carries a provision for financing

A Natural Deal

PUBLIC HEARING

tember. We have enjoyed a fairly steady market, with the bulk of the ers on the basis of 2c to 21/2c per 1b. prices ranged from 80c to \$1.10 per

280,000 bags. At the rate they are tary said. moving out of Michigan and other sections of the country we are facing Based on the Government estimated a carryover of all varieties of beans, crop of beans here in Michigan and which may reach 3,000,000 to 4,000,000 the Bean Jobbers Association records bags. This would not be a healthy

smallest percentage of our crop mov- essary for the farmers to rush out and market, but we do believe some beans the trade in July and August of 1933, possible on September 1st. We have farmers to withhold their beans from we were unable to get beans enough

We understand that the hearing clean it up in pretty fair shape, as we covering the proposed Marketing have done in the past, to enable farm- Agreement will soon be called. Anyseparate operations being necessary. ers to secure a fair price for a normal body who is interested in the bean industry, from growers to consumers, We note from our Sales Record that has a free right to discuss it. We are we received 21c per bag more for the in hopes that a satisfactory agreement peans we sold in January than those can be reached on the part of all conwhich were sold in December. This cerned and that by the time the new s encouraging, it being the highest crop starts next fall better prices can price month we have had since Sep- be had for the farmers' beans.

ment loan to insure the actual final sale of these beans. Want Monthly Marketing

New York state, in considering the bean marketing agreement, suggests as amendments that there be separate MARKETING PLAN Control Boards for New York state and Michigan. They also suggest that in underwriting the loan that the Aims at Firm Market, Loans farmer who makes the loan will agree to market a certain proportion of these beans each month in order to insure their orderly distribution.

Service charges for beans are Bean farmers interested in the pro- established for the various services as osed marketing agreement for Mich- follows: 15c for the jobber or comigan beans should watch the papers bination of jobber and broker, where closely for an announcement of the used, of which 9c goes to the jobber public hearing to be held soon upon and 6c to the broker; 40c to the local call of the Secretary of Agriculture, elevator for processing charges; and bag cost at 15c; it fixes the picking Many farmers do not realize that schedule at 5c and requires all beans they are entitled to register their shipped out of Michigan to be inspectopinion regarding a marketing agree- ed and stamped with the grade and ment at this public hearing. We sug- quality of the beans contained in the gest that inasmuch as practically all bag with the choice of either Mich of the elevator men are familiar with igan Bean Jobbers Grades or Federal he things proposed in the marketing grades. agreement, that the farmers acquaint

themselves through their elevators The Michigan Elevator Exchange at

with the details of the plan in order Lansing, sales agent for the Michigan that they may form some opinion as Bean Growers, Inc., would be glad to get by letter, an expression from the various members of their opinion of The marketing agreement, briefly, this agreement.

ontemplates an agreement between The public hearing on a marketing the brokers, jobbers and processors of agreement is the opportunity for everypea beans of Michigan and New York, body to express teir opinion, under combined with the Great Northern oath, for or against. After the mavarieties and Pinto beans of the west, terial is gathered at the public hearfor the purpose of attempting to make ing, it is registered, condensed and greater returns more certain to the such changes in the marketing agreement are made as are seen necessary In its present form Michigan's sug- according to the weight of opinion exgestion calls for a Control Board for pressed toward any particular point. Michigan and New York state, con- The agreement is then sent to the sisting of five growers, three from various operators for signatures and Michigan and two from New York, ap- finally approved by the Secretary of pointed by the Commissioner of Agri- Agriculture.

culture in each of the states; three This procedure is outlined in order independent dealers, two from Mich- that farmers may realize that this igan and one from New York, elected public hearing is the last opportunity by a weighted majority of the beans for them to express their opinion,

handled by the dealers; and two cooperative dealers, one from Michigan Agr'l Outlook for '34 This control Board will be charged Bulletin Now Ready with the duties of enforcing the agree-

Agricultural Outlook for 1934, which is Extension Bulletin 135 of the templates an attempt to keep the Michigan State College is ready for market on a firm foundation by the the asking or writing at the Bulletin process of quoting beans daily on a Room, State College, East Lansing, minimum price basis out of Michigan;

Banker: What is your ambition, Willie: I ain't got any. I just want enable farmers to hold beans and to

prevent the flooding of the market, to be a vice-president. the farmer by means of government loans on the basis of 75 per cent of privilege. To extend that privilege to the market value of the beans with your neighbor is a kindness to him

the trade underwriting the govern- and a service to agriculure.

very successful 1933 wool pool. Sale by grade direct to mills as they wanted wool made money for our growers. Our 16th annual pool will open soon. We'll ADVANCE close to the market price for wool as usual. There is no surplus of wool. Mills are active. Demand is good. WHY NOT MARKET YOUR WOOL TO THE MILLS YOUR-SELF through this Association and ENJOY THE PROFIT POSSIBILI-TIES YOURSELF?

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Milk Dealers Take Too dozen that are really progressive.

'He criticized milk distributors, lar volume, beans being purchased from the farm- whom he charged with profiting ex- One of the more than 1,200 tele- board of agriculture. cessively at the expense of both pro- phone companies does 90 per cent of A year ago at this time, as you know, ducers and consumers. Examination the entire telephone business, of distributors' books by government | Ninety-five per cent of the 120 bil-We also must take into consideration that "fairly handsome profits" were States are of four brands. that the total crop of beans raised in being made and high bonuses and sal- One company sells more than 50 per the United States this year was 12,- aries paid big executives, the Secre- cent of all the steel used in the coun-

"It is food for thought, when agri- One company sells about one-third culture has its back to the wall," he of all the aluminum used in the Unitcontinued, "to have a few food distrib- ed States. iting corporations among the first doz- One great oil organization handles en in not earnings of all the nation's half of the oil in the world. corporations throughout the depres-

That recalls the Michigan Milk Commission hearings of 1931 when the Farm News heard plenty of charges The "Welcome" ciation of values when big companies We presume a portion of this is due should be marketed each day, so the swallowed little ones. Small earnings to the heavy movement of beans to crop can be cleaned up as nearly as reported by big companies were defirms denied it, but observers there

Where Lots of Little Businesses Have Gone

In 1919 there were 300 companies naking automobile tires. Today there are 25 with only about half a



Madison, Wis.—Speaking here Jan. than 50 are being made today. Two by a comparatively few corporations. I, Sec'y Wallace of the Dep't of Ag- "makes" are doing 75 per cent of the riculture had this to say about milk total unit volume and two companies

auditors has confirmed his suspicion lion eigarettes made in the United

try.

These figures tell the story of the striking changes that have come about in the business world in the last 10 or

Sign Is Out

Says This Poultryman

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"After adopting Nopco XX we decided that we had really found what was necessary for a smooth, good texture egg; better egg production and a healthier

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115 years, how the business of the Nine hundred "makes" of automo- country that used to be done by indi-Much, Wallace Says biles have appeared in the United viduals and many partnerships and States in the last 30 years, but less small corporations is today being done

Thirteen new students at Michigan and food distributing corporations: are doing two-thirds of the total dol- State College are winners of 4-H scholarships awarded by the state

IOWERING EGG COSTS the Wrong Way

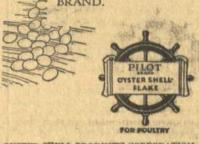
Attempts to lower egg production costs, by buying low-priced feed for poultry, frequently result in a drop in egg production below. the profitable mark.



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FARM BUREAU'S 3 YEARS PROMOTION OF MONEY REFORM

Articles in Farm News Were on Right Track in 1931-32-33

The Michigan State Farm Bureau has been an earnest and pioneer fighter for a return to higher farm and other prices by cheapening the dollar.

The purchasing power of the dollar grew and the value of goods and labor shrunk with every month of the depression until the "about face" of recent months when the program urged by the Farm Bureaus and certain business groups found favor,

Following are headlines on special articles carried by the Farm News since 1931. The articles were developed from the writings and addresses of Mr. Lucius E. Wilson and Dr. George F. Warren. Dr. Warren is now President Roosevelt's financial advisor and is responsible for the present monetary program of the na-

MAY 9, 1931, FARM NEWS Financiers' Relief Plan Declared Bondage—What bond refunding, cancellation of war debts, 20 Pct. wage cut would do.

JULY 25, 1931, FARM NEWS An Increase in Money is Needed-No relief until commodity prices go up, Elevator Exchange annual meeting told.

FEBRUARY 27, 1932, FARM NEWS This Panic Will Force Currency Re-form—Attention has been kept off the money situation—Big banks fight to save gold standard and privileges of present credit system—Every remedy has failed in the face of inadequate currency.

MARCH 12, 1932, FARM NEWS Explains Money Shortage, Decline in Prices—Nation does business on 10% real money and 90% bank credits which have gone—panic demand for cash brings ruin—Wilson says super-bank policies need public action.

MARCH 26, 1932, FARM NEWS Demand \$100 in Panic and Bank must call \$1,000 in Loans—Credit situation shows the need of managed currency—Federal Reserve system has failed public in regulating supply of money—Used twice in 8 years to depress prices and

APRIL 9, 1932, FARM NEWS Gold Standard is Cause of Money Short age—Four billions of gold held up 51 billions in bank credits—Call for cash stalled system and beggared values—We need money based on our production.

APRIL 23, 1932, FARM NEWS Wilson speaks before Legislature on Panic and Need for a Managed Currency—Collapse of credit exposes faults of gold standard—Price of money is doubling and tripling goods and labor needed to pay debts.

MAY 7, 1932, FARM NEWS Invisible Government of Financial Control Responsible to no one and is the Power Behind the Deflation—Advocate of managed currency presents views from abroad that monetary system is root of present panic.

JULY 9, 1932, FARM NEWS Restore Prices to Level at which Debts were Contracted Urged by State Farm Bureau at Meetings—Deflation of prices trebling difficulty of paying debts—Urges managed currency—Farmers would restore control of money to people through the Government.

AUGUST 13, 1932 FARM NEWS Events Forcing us toward Dropping of old Standard-Deflation can cure itself only through wholesome defaults and bankruptcies—Long before industrial debts, prices and taxes can be cut in two, Government will no longer have credit to feed people out of work, says C. V. Gregovy, Fiding of Pasirie Farmer. ory, Editor of Prairie Farmer.

OCTOBER 8, 1932, FARM NEWS Deflation to new Value of Gold is far from Complete—So says Professor Warren of Cornell who sees prices must rise or debts shrink by means of revaluing gold or currency reform—Else, endless bankruptcies.

DECEMBER 10, 1932, FARM NEWS Foreign Trade no Depression Cure or War Debt Scare—We have enough bad I. O. U.'s since the war, Wilson says—In ten years the U. S. financed 8 billions of goods to Europe for which we have paper that may not be paid.

DECEMBER 24, 1932, FARM NEWS Present Money policy will Continue De-flation for Years—Revaluation of Gold in dollar will raise prices and turn the tide —Problem in not the kind of a dollar, but whether creditors will get anything if this continues, says Professor G. F. Warren of Cornell.

JANUARY 14, 1933, FARM NEWS Probably Worse Before it's Better, Dr. Warren's Belief-Produce more to earn more, but revalue dollar, farmers urged. Mecosta Farmers bid pennies at mortage sale. Metzger sees no hope in farm gage sale.—Metzger aid or an inflation.

APRIL 1, 1933, FARM NEWS Back to Farm Prices of 1999-14 Roosevelt's Plan. Offers Agr'l Adjustment bill—Congressman Hart and Commissioner of Agriculture Metzger of Michigan wire that 95% of Michigan farmers oppose the

MAY 6, 1933, FARM NEWS U. S. Senate Agr'l Committee Wants Stabilized Dollar—No permanent relief until money question is adjusted. Pres. O'Neal of American Farm Bureau says inflation is first step to restore commodity prices-Whole world has benefited by

NOVEMBER 4, 1933, FARM NEWS Controlled Inflation Has Begun—Dr. G. F. Warren is President Roosevelt's financial advisor—The 1926 price level is the administration's objective—Dollar to be revalued eventually—Purchasing price of dollar to be stablized in time through managed currency.

FEBRUARY 3, 1934, FARM NEWS President Roosevelt proclaims 59c dol-lar in terms of gold—may change or manage gold content 10c—would restore 1926 price level.

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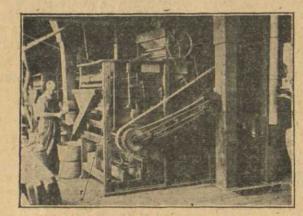
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