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# AM. FARM BUREAU **HEARS ROOSEVELT** MEN AND REPLIES

#### AAA Good But Needs Fixing, Industry Must Step Down For Trade Treaties

came here with 3,000 Farm Bureau ciated Press said: delegates Dec. 10-12 to hear what the

its sixteenth annual convention. In matters of national policy the

1. Complete support for the Agr'l Adjustment Administration program. Suggestion that greater emphasis be laid on raising farm prices. Urged amendments necessary to make processors play ball with the farmers. Asked more attention to applying the AAA to non-basic farm products by means of marketing agreements.

2. Endorsed reciprocal tariffs or trade agreements with other nations, PROVIDED that U. S. tariffs providing virtual monopolies for our manufacturers be lowered to permit foreign industrial goods to come in. Agriculture will not foot the bill for itself and industry too.

3. Demanded every reasonable economy in welfare relief activities against the pay day that is coming, Welfare wages must not exceed going local

4. Asked Uncle Sam to lower transportation expenses in marketing by legislation to permit railroads to really compete with other forms of transportation and among themselves for business. Asked that farm trucks be exempt from truck codes.

#### Other Resolutions

Many other resolutions were adoptthereafter legislation for a commodity eral election ballot. dollar to provide if possible a dollar of standard purchasing power through the years. Further reduction of property taxes, and substituting taxes based on ability to pay.

asked to consider financing of co-operative light and power companies.

O'Neal On Processing Tax "We demand continuance of the AAA as a sound national policy for agriculture. The processing tax," said President Edward O'Neal of the American Farm Bureau, "is the farmer's Wins Honors at Convention; tariff through which he can obtain a fair domestic price level, just as manufacturers have long utilized the tariff to maintain a domestic price level higher than the world's price.

Secretary Wallace through the AAA program, and ville, Tenn., Dec. 12-13. through reciprocal tariffs or trade treaties with other nations to open three coaches and by special train

U. S. farm surpluses. to export U. S. farm surplus.

heavier than we export if we are to of Nashville. maintain ourselves," he concluded.

Mr. Wallace warned that efforts will be made this winter in Congress to prominent. Seventeen Michigan deldestroy the AAA by abolishing the egates were privileged to speak processing taxes. Such efforts will be from the floor in the convention made, he said, by industrialists who business and resolutions sessions. nothing of plowing up 10,000,000 wage earners and throwing them out of

# Wallace Asks Farm Forums

and the Dep't of Agriculture.

industrialist with it," Mr. Wallace said. He believes that farmers must "dig in for the next five years and make the best of their AAA program as chances for quick restoration of export markets and resulting expansion of production are small." Governor Myer-Federal Credit

Administration.

(Continued on page 4.)

# 1934 Year of Sizzling Action WOOL PRODUCERS' For Farm Folklin Michigan

Politics and Farm Groups Occupy Stage

Nashville, Tenn.-Members of Pres- as the year drew to a close, said the general election ballot. ident Roosevelt's cabinet, state and Associated Press, Jan. 1, 1935, in a national leaders, and prominent news- comprehensive summary of Michigan paper and magazine correspondents farm affairs. Continuing, the Asso-

The drought started in late spring American Farm Bureau had to say at and extended well into late summer. Farm lands in 40 or more counties in the southern and central parts of the Farm Bureau made four crisp state state were seared by a baking sun. Yet Michigan farmers increased their cash income from crops, livestock, and livestock products approximately \$25,-600,000 during the year.

40 Percent Under 1929

Verne H. Church, director of the Michigan co-operative crop reporting service, estimated the cash income of farmers for the year at \$160,000,000 compared with \$134,421,000 in 1933. The amount was a gain of 35 percent over 1932 but it lagged 40 percent behind the high income year of 1929. Benefit payments of \$3,096,000 under the crop and livestock réduction programs of the agricultural adjustment administration are included in the ag- output of the farm used in the progregate income from the 170,000 farms duction of other products should be

Organized Farmers Made News the courts and won its fight. A gen- court. The Farm Bureau estimated oans to mortgage-burdened farmers. volved in the litigation. Continuing their traditional blast ed. Future Farmers of America and against property taxes, farmers parall other younger generation farmers ticipated in important political devel- more than a dozen organizations and ioned to a considerable extent by are invited into the Farm Bureau. opments. Rural Michigan held to its agencies combined in a lobby against Permanency and further improvement faith in agricultural extension serv- the proposed constitutional amendurged for the Federal Credit Adminis- ice. A farm-inspired "lobby" was ments on the general election ballot. tration. Further restoration of values given partial credit for defeating dras- The organizations continued their agasked through revaluation of gold to tic proposals for governmental re- gressive interest in legislation and

Bureau Wins Sales Tax Suit

# inistration was MICHIGAN GROUP AT NASHVILLE ONE OF THE LARGEST

Visits Plants Serving Michigan Farmers

Lansing-The Michigan State Farm Bureau with 135 persons in Henry A. Wallace, Sec'y of Agri- its delegation had one of the largculture, asked the convention for and est state groups among the 46 got an endorsement of his program for states represented at the American a "continuing balanced abundance" Farm Bureau convention at Nash-

up foreign markets once more for fied American Farm Bureau Feder-U. S. farm surpluses.

Secretary Wallace insisted that the industrial east must come around to lower tariffs that will permit imports of foreign industrial products in order

Tenneyt II S. farm surplus.

ation convention trip yet taken by a Michigan group. They were away seven days, and made overnight stops at Louisville, Ky., Nashville, Tenneyt II S. farm surplus. Ninety of the group went Ohio. "A restored farm purchasing power through the Mammoth Cave in Kenmeans something to our manufactur- tucky, and another 100 visited the ers," Mr. Wallace observed. "We are Hermitage, home of President Ana creditor nation and must import drew Jackson, about 12 miles out

Michigan is Prominent At the convention, Michigan was

Women's Speaking Contest Secretary Wallace urged farmers Haven, Michigan, won first place in throughout the nation to conduct local the Farm Bureau women's national or township farm forums on the AAA, speaking contest in a field of ten reciprocal tariffs and other questions women speaking on the subject, and send their constructive advice and "The Farm Woman and the New criticism to their farm organizations Deal." They addressed some 3,000 and to the AAA, and "not to accept persons. Contestants were State unquestioned the measures of the AAA Farm Bureau winners from Alabama, Iowa, Kansas, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ne-

Young Farmers Interested

Ben Hennink of Charlotte, Mich., terest Future Farmers of America to a close, Representative John Goodin Eaton County, Michigan, are wine of Marlette, long an agricultural paign to "sell" the merits of this taking in the Farm Bureau. Today leader in the legislature, together with commodity to the American buying the officers and directors of the Ea- five other members of the farm bloc public. ton Bureau are largely young farm-died in the great fire. They were Rep-"Emergency financing (by the gov- Farmers group. Mr. Hennink's sug- T. Henry Howlett of Gregory; Charles nudism. As yet these tendencies are Sugar Co., Owosso, 12,981; Michigan 8,400; Superior Sugar Refining Co., operated by the merchant and farm-(Continued on page two.)

Greatest Drouth, AAA Plans, Michigan State Farm Bureau waged a lengthy battle over the 3 percent sales tax, finally winning its fight in

Michigan agriculture in 1934 hurdled interest in legislation in its entire hisa barrier of the greatest drouth in the tory and initiated a movement largely history of the State, and advanced credited for the defeat of the entire well along the road back to recovery group of proposals on the November



SAMUEL T. METZGER Replaced by Agr'l Commissioner Having Farmer Support

The Farm Bureau insisted that the exempt from the sales tax. The demand applied to such products as It was another year of spectacular seed, fertilizer and feed. An opinion, developments in Michigan agriculture. handed down by Circuit Judge Leland A new power among farm organiza- W. Carr of the Ingham county court battle with the state of Michigan into planned to appeal to the supreme rather light.

Leads Amendments Fight

limit provided in present law, and forms which appeared on the gen- planned a program for the session opening in the new year. A campaign to end what was termed "the racket" Emerging into the thick of the po- of gaining signatures on petitions for litical developments of the year, the the initiation of constitutional amendments was started.

the way for the income levy.

Opposition to Metzger during the year over the office of 1934 as a year of slim profits or of limit for appeal would have expired. State Commissioner of Agriculture, losses. aggressive Samuel T. Metzger of pressing influence on wool values in ment of reasons for its appeal. Greenville, former western Michigan the midst of the 1934 fleece mar-



HON. MICHAEL J. HART Press Credits Farmers for His Defeat

Metzger, who came into the commember of the legislature, to the post. tent.

Hart, Co-op Foe, Defeated gressman Michael J. Hart, their demo

was appointed agricultural commissioner on the personal endorsement their own and be ready to meet the braska, New Hampshire and New of Hart before Governor Comstock. Farm representation in the legisla-

ture was given a tragic jolt by the addressed the convention on the in- Hotel Kerns disaster as the year drew ers in their twenties of the Future resentatives Vern Voorhies of Albion; (Continued on page 2.)

# MARKET RACKED BY MANY ILLS

The organization took the greatest Michigan Growers Plan 1935; Mills Recovering From NRA Spree

> By STANLEY M. POWELL Michigan Co-op Wool Marketing Assn. Officials of the Michigan Co-operative Wool Marketing Association report that some grades of the 1934 pool have been sold, but that it will depend upon marketing demands at Boston as to how soon all of the wool can be converted into cash and the final settlements sent to the

> Every effort will be made to do this as soon as possible, but in view of market conditions which have prevailed for the past several months, it is obvious that it would not be a sound policy to force the wool onto the market in such a way as to result in lowering price levels. Meanwhile plans are going for-

ward for the 1935 pool in Michigan. Local meetings of wool growers will soon be held in many sections of the state. Local growers are to have a more active part in conducting the affairs of the Association.

1934 Unique in Wool Marketing The year 1934 was one of the most unique seasons in the history of wool marketing. It began full of optimism because of the very encouraging rise in wool prices during the latter half of 1933. Statistically, wool appeared to be in a very strong position. The production of tions rose to the surface and spread upheld the Bureau's contention. The wool, both in the United States and its influence over the state. An older State Board of Tax Administration, other countries, was below normal and the carry-over of raw wood was SALES TAX CASE

However, it soon became evident erous federal government poured out some \$600,000 in farm taxes to be in- that conditions were not as favorable as they had at first appeared, The rise in wool prices during the At the initiation of the Farm Bureau latter part of 1933 had been occasunusual activity on the part of woolen mills which were making Policy of Delay Likely to Be abnormal amounts of yarn and woolen fabrics before labor costs increased under NRA. Thus the spring of 1934 found excessive inventories of yarns and woolen sumed. the mills were very light purchasers the Ingham Circuit Court on Nov. 22, for several months. ness of the wool trade during the apply to farm supplies when bought The Michigan State Grange and spring, summer and fall of 1934 is to produce goods intended for sale. Farm Bureau continued their demand almost without precedent. Such The State Farm Bureau and 180 for a State income tax, with the for- wools as did actually change hands associated co-operative ass'ns sued mer asking support for a proposed in Boston were largely "distressed" the sales tax board for an interpretaamendment which would have paved wools which were sold at bargain tion of the law on farm supplies for

> keting season was a change of polpurchases at lower levels. Of course, tax cases. Boston.

under any such tariff dickering.

Demand for Wool Dwindles factors which were rather out of What Attorney General Toy, Rethe ordinary, there are other more publican, can do regarding the manu- December the Michigan State Ass'n gradual and abiding tendencies facturers' and farmers' sales tax cases of Farmers Clubs protested any govshould not be overlooked. There is be seen. It is to be expected that he crop to permit other countries to send a rather pronounced decrease in the will want a final court decision as larger exports of sugar to the United per capita wool consumption, soon as possible. His entry into the States. The Farmers Clubs resolved missioner's job as the champion of Homes, factories, stores and offices scene presents an administration atmade, he said, by industrialists who look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing up a few million acres of crops to look with horror upon farmers plowing ing up a few million acres of crops to

Bureau resolutions committee. A position. Toward the end of the year, ago. The change in winter transporsupplies for production purposes. women's auxiliary of the Farm Bur- a number of farm organizations de- ation to the era of enclosed cars. As soon as the sales tax board The State Ass'n elected these offieau was organized at Nashville. The manded his ouster and Governor-heater equipment, has had a trem-makes public its differences with Judge cers for 1935: President, E. M. Moore convention granted them four vot- elect Frank D. Fitzgerald promised he endous reaction in apparel customs. Carr's decision, they will be published of Mason; vice president, Burr J. work in their own production control ing delegates. Mrs. Wagar was one. would not be re-appointed. Fitzgerald Garments have grown fewer, thin- in the Michigan Farm News. carried out the promise by naming ner and more abbreviated, with a Mrs. Howard Paquin of South James F. Thompson of Parma, former consequent curtailment of wool con-

The use of substitutes and "fill-The farm co-operatives won another ers" in so-called woolen goods apmajor political skirmish when Con- pears to be on the increase and other fibers, such as cotton, silk and cratic foe from the eighth district, rayon, are displacing wool to an ex- of the government's hearing here Dec. lacking many of the natural advanare effectively merchandised and advertised and their consumption cleverly stimulated by high-press ure sales promotion schemes. Those interested in wool might profitably sponsor a national educational cam-

Flockmasters face a new threat (Continued on page three)

# Judge Carr's Decree

FARM BUREAU AND CO-OPS' SALES TAX SUIT

Holds proper meaning of Act exempts goods bought to produce farm crops and other produce intended for sale.

IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED, and this Court by virtue of the authority therein vested and in pursuance of Act. No. 36 of the Public Acts of Michigan for the year 1929; and, as a binding declaration of rights, declares that the proper meaning and construction of Act No. 167, P. A. of Michigan of 1933, is as follows:

1. That said Act No. 167, P. A. 1933, does not apply to nor impose a tax upon the gross proceeds of sales by said plaintiffs and/or any of the intervening plaintiffs of tangible personal property to vendees to be used directly or indirectly in the production of crops and other farm produce, intended for sale,

2. That said Act No. 167, P. A. 1933, does apply to and impose a tax upon the gross proceeds of sales by said plaintiffs and/or any of the intervening plaintiffs of tangible personal property intended to be used in the production of grains, fruits, or vegetables for consumption by the grower.

3. That transactions wherein creameries or grinding mills receive milk, cream or grain from farmers and return a quantity of butter, flour, or feed from their own stock on hand for the personal use of, and consumption by, such farmers, are sales of butter, flour or feed by said creameries or grinding mills within the meaning of Act No. 167, P. A. 1933, and the gross proceeds of such sales are taxable under said act.

AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED, that the Court reserves the right and retains exclusive power and jurisdiction to hear and determine, upon reasonable and proper notice, any and all controversies as to what further relief based upon the declaration of rights herein made shall hereafter become necessary or proper, all in accordance with the statute in such case made and provided.

(Signed)

Ingham Circuit Court Lansing, Michigan December 7, 1934

Circuit Judge.

# SUPREME COURT

Stopped by New Att'y-General The State Board of Tax Administragoods, manufactured but not con- tion has appealed to the Supreme

IS APPEALED TO

Because of this condition, Court the decision of Judge Carr of The sluggish- 1934, that the 3% sales tax does not

prices. Many private wool buyers production purposes. The sales tax have been cramped by maturing board appealed the decision in late A widespread controversy developed loans. All of them look back on December, a few days before the time A second factor which had a de-It is expected that the farmers' case

will come before the Supreme Court icy on the part of the Federal loan- in April. A similar case brought by ing agencies whereby they reduced manufacturers and won by them in the percentage of value which they the circuit court in February of 1933 loaned on wool to the various co- is scheduled to be heard by the Suoperative associations. This necessi- preme Court in January of 1935. Aptated decreases in advances made to parently it has been the policy of Atconsigning growers and thus helped torney General O'Brien's staff to inthe independent buyers to make voke every possible delay in the sales

this undermined wool values at Notwithstanding the change in State administration, the control of the A third and very potent factor in State Board of Tax Administration rethe picture was the enactment of mains as it was during 1933 and 1934. Reciprocal Trade Agreement legis- State Treasurer Fry, Auditor Genlation by congress, and announce- eral Stack and James E. Mogan, manment by Secretary of Agriculture aging director, constitute Democratic Wallace that wool would probably control of the sales tax board. Sec'y be one of the first products to suffer of State Atwood, republican, replaces Gov. Fitzgerald who as Sec'y of State

In addition to these depressing was the fourth member of the board. retarding contributions before the Supreme court remains to ernment limitation of the sugar beet

# Sugar Beet Acreage

Chicago-Unless revised as a result follows:

13,240 acres; Isabella Sugar Co., Mt. Pleasant, 14,541 acres; Lake Shore Sugar Co., Bay City, 12,639; Michigan Sugar Co., Caro, 10,831; Michigan ernment) of farm debts must continue gestion that the Farm Bureau ir- E. Parker, Ottisville; Knox Hanna, mostly potential and psychological, Sugar Co., Croswell, 6,052; Monitor Menominee, 9,380, and West Bay City er, incidental to their business and Sugar Co., Bay City, 17,234; North-Sugar Co., West Bay City, 8,009.

# COMMISSIONER

LELAND W. CARR,



JAMES THOMPSON

First important appointment of Gov. Fitzgerald was that of Commissioner of Agriculture. He named Mr. James Thompson of Jackson county, former member of the legislature, and operator of a large farm in that county. Mr. Thompson was one of four outstanding farmers who were unanimously recommended to Gov. Fitzgerald for the position by 17 Michigan farm organizations meeting at Lansing for that purpose on Nov. 23. Gov. Fitzgerald had let it be known that he wanted a Commissioner of Agriculture who is a farmer and who has the endorsement of Michigan farm organizations.

### Farmers Clubs Object To Beet Restriction

Alma-At its annual meeting in

Hoover of Howell; sec'y-treasurer, Mrs. C. E. Potter of Owosso, Directors for three years: George L. Henning of Rushton and H. I. Tinknell of Allotments Proposed Romeo. The Ass'n had its largest annual meeting in years.

# Signed the Governor

was defeated for re-election. Metzger tent that is truly alarming to the 28, the department of agriculture has George McMullen, Eaton County sheepman. These other fibers, while announced the United States 1935 Farm Bureau member of Charlotte, proval." sugar beet acreage allotments of RFD, has the honor of having made tages and "talking points" of wool, Michigan sugar factories will be as Gov. Frank T. Fitzgerald a member of the Eaton and Michigan State Farm Great Lakes Sugar Co., Blissfield, Bureaus.

> Sugar Co., Holland, 4,607; Michigan died of tuberculosis last year in Mich-Sugar Co., Alma, 13,740; Michigan igan, more than 1,000 had not yet reached the age of 35.

# FITZGERALD POLICY IN HARMONY WITH **FARM THOUGHT**

Important Parts of Message Recall Farm Groups' Resolutions

Lansing-Farm Bureau, Grange and ther farm groups will find Governor Fitzgerald's message to the 1935 Legislature in harmony with recommendations made by the farm groups during the past several years with reference to economy in government, school finance, taxes, and daylight in government expenditures.

Gov. Fitzgerald proposed to the Legslature that the state budget can be balanced and the public school system adequately and fairly financed without resource to new revenues.

His proposals for action on the deinquent tax situation, the gas and weight taxes, welfare administration, liquor control, merging of state boards, departments and institutions into related groups and elimination of duplicating services also recalls farm organization resolutions on those subjects. Excerpts from his 9,000 word message of particular interest to

Finance and Taxation

"The cost of government must be reduced. In prosperous times, government produces no wealth that cannot be better produced by private enterprise; and in the lean years the people can ill afford to support more than the bare necessities of government. Certainly the sum total cannot be wisely reduced by a horizontal reduction of each of the parts. Such a course leads to perpetuation of nonessentials, and to partial performance of essentials, which often merely reults in money thrown away.

"In the collection of revenues from our people for the support of government, care must be exercised to see that contributions are in proportion to benefits received and the ability of the individual to contribute. Governmenal service must be paid for. the same as any other service, therefore, it follows that we can have only as much governmental service as our revenues will permit. We cannot continue to spend in excess of our income. Our needs must be defined by our revenues and not by our many wants. State revenue from existing sources is sufficient to meet the cost of essentials. No new sources of venue are ne

"Our state finance must be so simplified that not only the elected officials of the people but the people themselves can receive a simple statement of how much money the state took in, where it came from, and how it was spent."

"All necessary functions of government for the direct benefit of special groups, should be financed entirely at the cost of the direct beneficiaries." Sales Tax

. . .

"The present sales tax law places too heavy a burden upon those least able to pay and does not in any way measure the benefits received from government with the ability of the individual to contribute to its support. "Foodstuffs should be exempt from ts provisions. I recommend legisla-

State Tax "The state property tax should be entirely eliminated, leaving the 15 mills in its entirety for local units of

Delinquent Taxes

tion to that end.

"Early consideration should be given this important subject. Few will deny the fact that some relief must be given those of our citizens whose taxes have accumulated due to inability to pay and at the same time the situation be handled in a way which will be fair to those of our citizens who have scrimped and saved in order to pay their governmental obligation; also we have reason to believe there are certain citizens who could have paid their taxes had they been so inclined, but who delayed payment in the hope that outright cancellation legislation would be enacted.

"That the matter may be dealt with fairly and justly I would recommend legislation which would empower counties and cities to set up a delinquent tax adjustment board, such board to consist of existing officials who would make recommendations relative to the adjustment of delinquent taxes. The state should retain the power of review and final ap-

Weight and Gas Taxes

"The gasoline tax is, without doubt, the most just tax that is being collected at the present time and I would Of the 2,348 people of all ages who with other than to repeal the refund

provision of the present statute. \* \* "I am in favor of retaining the present weight tax rate schedule on passenger cars, but I do recommend a re-Sugar Co. Sebewaing, 11,189; Michigan eastern Sugar Co., Mt. Clemens, 11,- duction in the rate on non-commerin the growth of nudism and semi-



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#### Federal Relief Comment

The farmers of our nation may be willing to produce products which supply food and clothing and shelter, at no profit to themselves, for our citizens who are incapable of working, or who of necessity are

But, we cannot approve a continuation of plans and operations connected with federal relief projects during the last two years which have in many instances promoted a desire on the part of some of our citizens to be unemployed, and have in other instances developed an alarming thought in the minds of many voters that the government owes them a living, irrespective of whether or not they do anything to justify the government relief given them.

We stand firmly on the foundation that every dollar of taxes spent for relief should return the greatest possible percentage in actual work accomplished. We assert, also, that to the greatest extent possible, all work relief should be such as will be of permanent advantage to the nation rather than be as some of them have been in recent months,indefensible from social, economic, or citizenship points of view. The wage scale on all work relief projects must be kept in line

with current practices in different localities so that the unfortunate experiences of the last two years in granting relief wages far above what agriculture or industry locally could pay shall not be continued. We believe that the great majority of the unemployed in our nation

are willing to work at any livable wage; we condemn making of work relief an instrument to penalize our taxpaying population and to subvert the ideals of our people. We commend the action of the Board of Directors of the American

Farm Bureau Federation for its courageous and patrictic statement on these troublesome questions. The substance of that statement is: They who work, eat; they who cannot work, eat; they who will not work on government or other projects at wages which our nation can

afford to pay, shall not eat, The foregoing is the resolution on Federal welfare relief adopted by the delegates from 46 States to the American Farm Bureau Federation annual convention at Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 10-12, 1934.

# **MICHIGAN FARM CROPS MEN WIN NATIONAL HONORS**

Many Farmers Bring Home Checks From Show at Chicago

East Lansing-Michigan farmers, in al Hay and Grain Show at Chicago, defeated not only the competitors from other sections but also the drouth.

ed ahead of any shown by other United tricts, or a total of \$23,426,322.41. At often that the Michigan, Ohio and South Dakota and four bushels in States and Canada producers. Just this time, I would estimate that this Indiana Farm Bureaus take the en- Missouri, Oklahoma and North Darich also won prizes on two-rowed and 000,000, of which about \$15,500,000 poration fertilizer plants at Lock- 84 percent of a five year average six-rowed barley, soft red winter will come from the primary school land, Ohio, (one of the world's yield. wheat, and navy beans.

sike clover, sweet clover, and alfalfa ever amount is appropriated must be

grove, and George Kohn, Fenwick.

well White, Adrian.

St. Louis; C. D. Finkbeiner, Clinton; state colleges. \* \* \* Foster Hickey: A. J. Lutz: Sam Aldrich, Fairgrove; Lee Ferden; Ernest Hagen, Ubly; J. A. Wilk; and John Dunbar, Rudyard.

Barley: Ellis Aldrich; Emery Jewett; Foster Hickey; and Ludwig Loesel. Reese

Soybeans: John C. Wilk; and Harvey H. Crowl.

Field Beans: Ellis Aldrich; Clifton Metcalf, Fairgrove; John C. Wilk; tricts are too small to conduct an see corporation agreed to build the Washington. Hogs were the only Ernest Hagen; Robert Tainter, Boyne efficient school program. City; Roy Hickey, Fairgrove; Ludwig "It must be recognized that this phuric acid and Florida rock to-

Peas: Harvey H. Crowl.

A. J. Lutz Alsike Clover: J. A. Wilk.

Sweet Clover: Clifton Metcalf. H. Crowl; George Rae, Bay City; Joe maintaining their own educational in-Deller, Harrisville; George Emmer- stitutions, the changes in school disick, Harrisville; Clarence Deller, Har- tricts should occur only after careful risville; William Gillard, Harrisville; consideration. Ernest Effick, Harrisville; Carl Good roads, motor travel and other modern inventions make possible a eleven years of excellent business poultry, and 8 percent from other Pellston; A. J. Lutz, Ludwig Loesel; Walter Chisholm, Glennie; and A. R. Smith, Glennie.

# Michigan's Population

The population of Michigan doubled in the 30 years between 1900 and 1930. The increased population setshows a decrease of 33 per cent.

to light the Washington monument. | relief.

Fitzgerald Policy Recalls

on passenger car trailers.

#### Education

"\* \* Putting first things first, every duced. child of this state has a right to a primary school education for the good of the state and for the good of the individual child. Our primary school fund, derived from special forms of taxation, such as insurance premiums, inheritance, railroad and taking high honors in the Internation- premiums, inheritance, railroad and for a machine sold 30 years ago. To sleeping car company taxes spent do that, the factory has in stock all \$17,398,823.87 which was supplement- the dies of previous years. They oced by \$4,609,604.91 from the special cupy a large rack probably 6 feet Highest international honors for an exhibit of oats was won by Ellis Aldrich, Fairgrove, when his sample rank- known as special aid to school dis-

trate his versatility, Mr. Ald- amount should be increased to \$34,- tire output of the Tenness interest fund and the balance from largest) and at New Albany, Ind. Ninety-seven entries went to the the general fund. The amount requir- got an idea of what that means show from Michigan and brought ed to support primary education when the Farm Bureau party visitback 70 prizes. Corn, wheat, barley, should be based upon judgment of ed the Lockland plant Dec. 14. beans, soy beans, peas, red clover, al- facts, rather than opinions. Whatmade up the list of farm products that available from existing revenues, and brought checks to their exhibitors. its payment should not be entirely and width that provides an enor-

few specific revenues. Oats: Ellis Aldrich, Fairgrove; Lee "An equalization feature should be hundreds of thousands of tons of Ferden, Chesaning; J. A. Wilk, Alma; written into the school law which Farm Bureau fertilizers for spring Willard F. Krebel, St. Johns; Bob will make the education of a child delivery. Much of the spring output Hall, Fairgrove; Foster Hickey, Fair- cost the same in all parts of the is made and now undergoing a

state. \* \* \* Corn: Jesse Pickett, Caledonia; "It seems most just and fair to all Harvey H. Crowl, Mason; Lee Ferden, that institutions of higher learning George Kohn, A. J. Lutz, Saline; El- should be self-supporting in the course wood Swander, Hudson; M. G. Dicker- of time, but proper provision for son, Bloomingdale; L. C. Kelly and scholarship loans should be made for Sons, Marshall; Fabius Farms, Three exceptional promising minds whose Rivers; Emery H. Jewett, Mason; John talents might be otherwise developed. Sharpe, Clifford; Max Redman, St. With an economic and mental re-Johns; Weldon Beebe, Adrian; Hart- quirement as a check on higher education, there is little reason, other these: Wheat: Ellis Aldrich; John C. Wilk, than local pride, for operating seven

> "The Farm Bureau, the Grange and education have submitted plans for sulphuric acid. In Florida are large large administrative groups acceptable deposits of marine and rock phos-

> to the people. "These reports indicate that an Farm Bureaus in the early 1920's analysis of school enrollment of the were looking for a firm to manustate show that several hundred dis- Bureau specifications. The Tennes-

Loesel; J. A. Wilk, and John C. Wilk. small district system grew up in gether to manufacture acid phossistate. Hogs, alone of all livestock, Michigan at a time when roads were Red Clever: Willard Krebel and poor and transportation systems slow. ple in their schools has been a strong factor in promoting local government. Alfalfa: Emery H. Jewett; Harvey So great has been their interest in

> new type of rural school. Changes, relations with the Tennessee Corhowever, must come slowly and with the full consent of the people affected. eans, in behalf of their members, Only in this way can responsible selfgovernment be retained.

# Welfare

"The cost of administering welfare tled in the industrial centers for dur- relief is out of proportion to the ing this period rural areas of the state amount of relief distributed and should be drastically reduced. This

#### Michigan Delegation at Nashville Was Large

vite the talents of the younger generation was well received.

One thousand young farmers in the Tennessee Future Farmers of America group visited the convention and pledged their interest in the Farm Bureau. These events and reports from other speakers brought attention to the entry of the younger generation in the Farm Bureau and in the ranks of its officers. It is going on all over the country.

Farm Bureau Machinery Factory At Louisville, Ky., the Michigan delegation went through the B. F. Avery and Sons, Inc., farm machinery plant.

This large, modern and completey equipped plant manufactures a complete line of co-op machinery and implements for the Michigan, Ohio, Indiana Farm Bureaus and some fourteen other Farm Bureau

state organizations.

Michigan Farm Bureau visitors saw on every hand evidence of the plant's policy to give farmers the best in materials and construction and to make all parts so accurately that repair parts from stock will fit any Avery or Co-op implement for which that part is intended. There is no machining or blacksmithing after the farmer gets the part. The part is made to fit exactly, and it

They saw a vast factory, with all manufacturing operations on one floor level in the various buildings. No waste in needlessly moving material up or down. Materials travels on belts, trucks or trolleys. Pig iron enters one end of the foundry and comes out the other as finished castings. Steel enters another building and goes through a course of stamping, drop forging, grinding, tempering, machining. Finally it is assembled, together with the products of the foundry. In another set of buildings wood parts are fashioned and join with the steel and metal at the proper place in the assembly system. All parts are painted by most modern methods.

Rigid inspection for quality of material, workmanship and fit is applied to every part. There are 32 Avery or Co-op plow point the high quality and exact fitting piece that was friendly to the farm interests. it is. Thirty-two skilled men have Farm Groups' Resolutions plow point. Only white help is em- gregate harvest for 33 important something to do with making that not for hire also that a slight down of the same family working there 10 year average. Yields for late ward revision be made in the tax rate are common. Men with 10, 20, 30

Farm Bureau Fertilizer Plant

These vast buildings, placed end to end are not far from a quarter of a mile long. They have the heighth of a five or six story business block, The following men were prize win- conditional upon the collection of a mous floor space. At this moment they are engaged in manufacturing thorough curing in the enormous storage piles. These piles are tested regularly. Before fertilizer is shipped, it is reground and re-dried to provide the free running, easy regulating material that characterizes Farm Bureau fertilizers.

> Forces that farmers' co-operative effort through the Farm Bureau have brought together in the making of Farm Bureau fertilizers are

mines in eastern Tennessee, has as price of hay was 123 percent above other organizations interested in rural a by-product a great production of

The Michigan, Ohio and Indiana 6,709 public school districts in the facture fertilizer according to Farm Lockland plant and bring its suled" in a fertilizer plant. It agreed "A great interest of the rural peo- to buy potash from Germany and Alsace-Lorraine and inorganic (non-animal or non-vegetable) sources of nitrogen for the mixing mand for fertilizer that has nitrogen in almost completely water sol-

uble form (95%). poration, with which the Farm Burnow have entered into a profit sharing relationship on fertilizer earnings of the Lockland and New Al-

# Lindbergh First Again

No name of a living person appeared state was rejected. Little or no adcan be done by returning to local on a United States postage stamp until vantage was offered the Michigan It costs Uncle Sam \$1,400 per year officials the administration of welfare the 1927 Lindbergh air mail stamp drought sufferers in lower freight

# Concerning a Pup

By R. S. Clark

Now, Hiram, quit your arguin'. It ain't no use to jaw. I hold to my opinions jest as steadfast as the law We've talked enough about it. I mean jest what I say I don't want that pup ground here, and he ain't a-goin' to stay! He's jest what Mable said he was-a common little cur, The likes of which no housewife wants saddled onto her. He's yellow, and he's mangy, and he don't know anything And he can't stay in my kitchen if you talk from now till Spring!

Oh, Marthy, now unlax yourself. Let's reason just a bit. Your fanted don't mean anything. There's just no sense to it I got this pup for Junior, and it's Junior's goin' to say If he's a dirty yellow cur, not good enough to stay Of course he's young and awkward. To be sure his feet are big, And a pup, until he's house-broke, is no cleaner than a pig; But don't hold his youth against him and start to treat him rough Trouble is that pups and children don't stay little long enough!

Hiram, you can just philosophize with all the breath you've got You can beat me moralizin' faster then a horse can trot, But you never can convince me, if you lecture for a year, That I should let that little pooch stay in my kitchen here I'll put up with lambs, in season, and with kittens now and then, But I will not run a kennel-nor Mable won't for Ben. If Mable would have took him home why she'd been welcome to I won't have him, pos-i-tive-ly-for Junior nor for you!

Well, Marthy, your opinions are difficult to fight. I suppose it is your kitchen-and maybe you are right. I think that every boy on earth should sometime own a pup, But when you say positively, why I guess the jig is up. Come on, Old Boy, it's you and me have got to do our stuff. The women folks's thumbs are down. You aren't refined enough So I'm the executioner-to crack you on the head And throw you on the dung heap out behind the cattle-shed,

Jest like you, Hiram Granger. Jest like I've always claimed. You're jest a cruel hearfless brute, that ought to be ashamed. You ain't a-doin' no such thing; not till my dyin' breath. It's over my dead body you will do that pup to death! Poor little helpless wooly tike. See how he looks at you, He won't be any bother after just a week or two. I'll take and comb those fleas out. I know it's not the mange, And he shall have a basket too, right here beside the range.

Then, when Junior comes at Easter to spend vacation days, Why, Flip will be already here and what a fuss they'll raise Mable's mighty stubborn but she may change her mind-The sottest minded folks on earth is men, you'll always find. And Hiram, when your killin' stream rars upward in your heart Jest don't you dare to touch this pup-for I shall take his part,

#### 1934 Year of Sizzling Action in Farm Affairs

(Continued from Page 1.)
Caro, and Don E. Sias, Midland. eparate operations in making the State Senator John Leidlein of Saginaw, who also perished in the fire,

Despite the great drought, Michigan farmers emerged with an ag- many farmers not participating in ployed at the factory. Generations crops equal to 85.3 percent of the crops exceeded earlier expectations years of service are common and with potatoes spurting to a new make for the quality of goods pro- high record of 128 bushels an acre as an average for the state.

Lakes Helped Michigan Production records emphasized more than ever Michigan's fortunate geographical location. Depredations of the drought that extended throughout the corn belt and Rocky mountain area were tempered by the great bodies of water surround-

ing the state. Illustrative of Michigan's favored position was an average yield of corn for this state of 25 bushels an acre compared with two bushels in Those in the party who had heard Kansas; three in Nebraska; 3.5 in kota. The Michigan average was

1934 and 1933 Yields

The yield of field beans was only slightly below average and sugar peets exceeded the normal by 20 percent; onions by 16 percent; and potatoes by 29 percent. The estimated harvest for 19 leading crops

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9	THE RESERVE	1934	1933
ij	Corn	32,125,000 bu.	42,315,000 bu
ê	Wheat (w)	10,584,000 bu.	13,332,000 bu.
i	Wheat (s)	192,000 bu.	195,000 bu.
9	Oats	29,234,000 bu.	23,541,000 bu
됳	Barley	3,434,000 bu.	3,250,000 bu.
i	Rye	1,425,000 bu.	1,312,000 bu.
	Buckwheat	187,000 bu.	264,000 bu
H	Sugar Beets	1,125,000 T.	1,203,000 T.
ď	Potatoes	34,560,000 bu.	20,670,000 bu.
ı	Beans	2,894,000 bags	3,519,000 bags
i	Peas	288,000 bu.	180,000 bu.
d	Alfalfa hay.	. 1,091,000 T.	1,442,000 T.
ij	all tame hay	2,014,000 T.	3,059,000 T.
3	Apples	6,464,000 bu.	8,651,000 bu.
i	Peaches	423,000 bu.	215,000 bu.
1	Pears	745,000 bu.	532,000 bu.
ý	Plums	244,000 bu.	190,000 bu.
d	Cherries	26,600 T.	27,300 T.
2	Grapes	61,100 T.	28,600 T.
8	Impo	print Price C	hanges

The end of the harvest found farm prices considerably ahead of last year. Corn quotations were up great copper mining company with 62 percent for November while the last year. Hogs were quoted 39 percent higher. Potatoes, however with a bumper crop from Wisconsin east to the Atlantic seaboard, were selling for half the 1933 price and milk cows were approximately \$5 a

head cheaper. Church attributed part of the rise to the production control policies of class of livestock in which reduction contracts were signed in this phate—the only item "manufactur-showed a substantial upward change in the price level. Corn advanced 29c a bushel in a year and wheat was up 12c-two other Michigan crops included in the adjustment control program.

> Michigan farmers continued to derive most of their cash income from crops, with 44 percent of the revenue listed in this classification. classes of livestocks and their products.

Loans Chief Drouth Aid Forthy-one counties of the state were placed in the secondary classification of the drought-relief administration, but little relief materialized. An appeal for the initiation of a livestock purchasing program in the drought stricken area of the rates. The chief assistance was in Marshall, R-1, Box 162. (1-5-1t-10p)

the form of loans

Approve AAA Program Michigan farmers joined their brothers from the west in approving the continuation of the corn-hog control program of the agricultural adjustment administration. The vote was approximately five to three for the program in this state with the referendum. A proposal that a production control program be combined under a single contract was defeated in this state.

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The agricultural adjustment

Farmers Union Rises

Farmers Union expanded during

the year and took its place among

the major farm organizations of the

state. The Union demanded a price

for milk that would yield cost of

production plus a reasonable profit

and assailed the administration and

policies of the Michigan Milk Pro-

Feeling between the two organi-

zations became so intense that a

riot was threatened at the annual

meeting of the producers. State po

lice were called upon to guarantee

safety at the meeting which was

careful check was made of dele-

gates, however. Unable to gain ad-

mission to the producers' meeting

most of the Farmers' Union dele-

gates held a separate meeting

across the campus and returned to

jeer the producers as they emerged

from their convention. The threat

of a riot, however, never emerged

The conservative administration

of the producers' association, which

has been in the saddle since its or-

ganization, again closed a conven-

tion with flying colors. Nathan P

Hull, veteran president, was re-

elected a member of the board of

directors after a determined fight

frequent recent investigations,

avoided official inquiry or whole-

sale administration changes during

the year. Herman H. Halladay, vet-

eran secretary of the college, re-

signed effective with the New Year.

John Hannah, a poultry expert at the

college, was appointed in his place.

to gain confidence of farmers. Sev-

enty-three counties were served by

57 agricultural agents during the

year, the greatest number in his-

administration program was largely

responsible for the increase in ex-

tension work.

Agricultural extension continued

Michigan State college, object of

against his leadership.

into anything resembling violence.

held at Michigan State college.

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Wacousta-Two hundred attended he annual meeting of the Clinton County Farm Bureau here Dec. 6. M. B. McPherson, director of the Compares Present Purposes It would be hard indeed to picture State Farm Bureau and chairman of the State Tax Commission, gave an interesting talk on Michigan's tax problems, both State and local, Ignatz Koenigsknecht and J. E. Crosby were re-elected to the Clinton Farm Bureau completed the meeting.

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# Clinton County Annual Mrs. Wagar Considers Other Side of Federal Spending

With Results of Our War Expenditures

By MRS. EDITH M. WAGAR ning the government.

We hear many comments about this should have been done? 'easy money", "Santa Claus", "uni-



MRS, EDITH M. WAGAR

Different Points of View with no means of support.

store until there's nothing left to new policy always brings. fall back on. To be sure there are There has been waste and blunders and no doubt always will be. But no reason for condemning the whole the great majority are unfortunate program. victims of circumstances over which The nation as a whole was responthey had no control.

thousands of young men in a way large sums of money. that will bring them through this trying period into manhood that our

The Public Works Administration lionaires in the shortest time ever in the history of any country. million. It has supplied work for Why in the name of common sense improvement that would have been out of reach to the average com- and its institutions?

Hard to Picture Alternatives

the distress averted through the use tors and the general stagnation of of this governmental money.

versal hand-outs", but are they state- many of these loans on which the operative association and the congovernment will be forced in time to signing growers. foreclose, but there's so many more that this system has saved from dis-

cannot condemn the policy. Agr'l Adjustment Administration

pointed the way to a permanent shortage throughout the country, producers themselves

agencies that have always lived on the ments to the associations affiliated About two billion was spent for production of the farmer. Of course, with the National Wool Marketing relief purposes. That's a lot of money, they objected to any curtailment of Corporation amounted to 62,000,but there were a lot of people absolutely destitute and if the federal govment had not furnished the money, have told their sob story so patheticthe States and local communities ally that many of our farmers joined in with their chorus just as they had operatively handled tonnage in hoped they would.

all to evident that they themselves up, and at the same time renewed fluence in stimulating and protecthave not been penniless and hungry hope created and lost faith restored, ing wool prices there must be a to offset all the criticism and all of larger proportion of the total wool These people have used of their the misunderstanding that any such production marketed through their

chiselers. There always have been and inefficiency, I admit, but that's

sible for the sad situation we found age is 93 pounds. The Civilian Conservation Corps ourselves in, and for that same reason required about 375 million. This is an the nation as a whole should do its indirect form of relief and has been utmost to bring about a change as the means of caring for hundreds of rapidly as possible even if it takes

The Billions of 1918

No one breathed a word of condemcountry will not be ashamed of in nation against the tremendous expenyears to come. No right thinking diture of money and the terrible sacriperson will question the nation's fice of life when our country plunged wisdom in establishing the C.C.C. into a war to "save democracy" but, in reality produced more multi-mil-

unemployed and has at the same should any one condemn a country time given the public many a needed that spends its money to care for its

Our job is not to balk, not to hinder, not to discourage, but rather to assist The money spent through the Re- by sympathetic co-operation and by construction Finance Corporation not constructive criticism, if all does not only benefited banks, insurance com- appear to be right. With united action panies and corporations but it was of we have all reason to believe that untold benefit to millions of stock- 1935 will be a year of advancement holders, depositors and security hold- and progression for the American

# **FARM AND BUSINESS GROUPS IN COUNCIL** FOR LEGISLATION

Meet to Compose Their Differences on Reforms

Farmers Clubs, Manufacturers Ass'n, Bureau Convention in November. struction, real estate, mining, lumber count of the American Farm Bureau and other interests are following up convention at Nashville, Tenn. their joint effort in defeating all six proposed amendments to the State oration which won third prize at the Constitution last November.

lative projects, and to make it more the program. difficult for signature chasers to attempt constitutional amendments to son County Farm Bureau band, under

accomplish this or that end. Representatives of the organizations have held two meetings since November. They have appointed committees to bring forth legally correct and fair proposals providing for:

1. Appointment of all judges to take them out of politics. 2. A constitutional amendment per-

rural residents. before they are voted upon.

gan's school system with the view of day. making a recommendation to the legislature which will be supported It is now possible to telephone by the leading organizations in the around the world by making use of

delinquent tax situation in the light All are radio circuits. of developments since the enactments of the Moore-Holbeck plan for | Illiteracy in the United States has installment payment of back taxes, had a decline from 10 per cent of the and other Michigan delinquent tax re- population to five per cent in the past

# Mason Farm Bureau at Scottville, Jan. 11

Scottville-Annual meeting of the Mason County Farm Bureau is to be held at the Scottville Community Hall Friday, January 11, starting at 11:30 o'clock. There will be a potluck din-

Following a short business session after dinner, at which officers will be elected and the 1935 program decided upon, the Farm Bureau will present this program:

Lansing-Fourteen State groups, in- There will be a report given by John uding the Farm Bureau, Grange, Houk, delegate to the State Farm Railroad Ass'n, Dep't of Public In- Mrs. John Houk will give an ac-

Mrs. Wesley Hawley will give the

State Convention. The above groups have formed a Mr. E. E. Ungren, editor of the Farm working organization to promote legis- News, will give the main speech of

Music will be furnished by the Ma-

the direction of Wm. Sommerfeldt.

# Oceana Farm Bureau Ann'l at Shelby Jan. 12

The annual meeting of the Oceana County Farm Bureau will 2. A constitutional amendment permitting changes in county government, but safeguarding the rights of at 11:00 o'clock.

The business meeting and elec-3. A constitutional amendment making it more difficult to amend the forenoon. There will be a program State Constitution, and providing for of music. Mrs. Fred Kerr will give competent legal review and time for the oration that she gave at the the people to study such proposals Farm Bureau convention in November. Jesse Davis, a delegate to the 4. The farm and business groups State Farm Bureau convention, will are studying with the State Depart- give his delegate's report. Mrs. ment of Public Instruction and the Henry Hendrickson will give a re-Michigan Educational Association port on the Nashvilletrip. Mr. E. E. the financial requirements of Michi- Ungren will be the speaker of the

the 66 intercontinental telephone cir-5. Another committee is studying the cuits totaling 250,000 miles in length.

### Mich. Wool Producers' Market Racked by Ills

out they must be reckoned with in viewing the future fiber prospects. f this governmental money.

The Farm Credit Administration and obviously impossible for the Nathe Home Owners' Loan Corporation tional Wool Marketing Corporation, together have used about four billion which is the sales agency for the During the year just closed the dollars. If it was wrong to make Michigan Co-operative Wool Marfor men and boys, are but a board of directors for three year federal government has spent about these loans in order that our farm keting Association and nearly thirty terms. Dinner served by the Ladies eight billion dollars for relief and folks and our distressed urban home other state wool pools, to dispose of Vegetable & Flower Seeds Aid Society and a program of music recovery purposes besides spending owners might tide themselves over the co-operative consigned wool to about four billion in the cost of run- this abnormal period of distress and advantage at the time of the year low prices and no work, then what that had been anticipated. To have attempted to do so would have re-To be sure, there will no doubt be sulted in a loss, both to the co-

> Later in the fall of 1934 the mills aster that the few unsafe investments came into the market once more cannot condemn the policy. been making purchases in about Agr'l Adjustment Administration
> And last but not least, is the Farm
> Adjustment Administration. This policy has not only benefited those who
> co-operated with their government,
> but it has been the means of gradually
> increasing the price of farm commodities for all growers. It has
> pointed the way to a permanent
>
> been making purchases in about
> normal quantities. However, it
> hardly appears probable that all of
> the 1934 wool will go into consumptive channels before the 1935 fleeces begin to appear at Boston. The
> government purchase and slaughter
> of large numbers of starving sheep
> in the west, and the general feed
> shortage throughout the country nethod of production control by the will naturally reduce the number and weight of the 1935 fleeces.

The A.A.A. program has received The co-operative marketing of nore bitter criticism than any other wool seems to be gaining in favor mergency expenditure the govern- with growers throughout the entire ment has made. First, by those United States. During 1934 consign-Different Points of View

There are those who take great pleasure in criticising the welfare work of the past year or so, but it is paid and delayed bills straightened growers are to have their proper inown grower-controlled association.

> 100 Years Ago One hundred years ago, 5 pounds of sugar was the average annual per



THE consistent results which growers have had with Farm Bureau Brand Insecticides and Fungicides bear out the statements we made last year about their high quality. They are manufactured under contract with General Chemical Company whose scientific control of every step of their making assures absolute uniformity and exact adherence to stated analyses. We have satisfied ourselves that no better materials are available, nor fairer prices.

For exceptionally severe infestations or virulent fungous diseases you may require materials other than the Farm Bureau Five (see list). To round out our service we bring you also the General Chemical Company's Orchard Brand specialties noted below.

DRY LIME SULPHUR

LIME SULPHUR SOLUTION



Also ORCHARD BRAND Oil Emulsion "83" "Astringent" Arsenate of Lead, Dritomic Sulphur, Bordeaux-Arsenical, Rotenone and other Dusts, Nicotine Sulphate, Paradichlorobenzene, X-13 (Pyrethru Extract), Paris Green.



# IS SWIFT & COMPANY?

We could answer "It's a company which supplies meat, dairy and poultry products to the people of the United States wherever they may live." But that no more tells who Swift & Company is than to describe Admiral Byrd as "the man who wears the fur hat."

Swift & Company is owned by a laborer in Pennsylvania. a farmer in Iowa, a doctor in New York, a Middle Western banker, a rancher in Texas, a stenographer in Chicago and more than 54,000 other men and women from all walks of life who have invested their money in this concern.

23,400 of these shareholders are women. Thousands of them live on farms, in tiny townships, and thousands more dwell in the great cities. More than 11,000 shareholders are Swift & Company employes. These plus 50,000 other employes go to make up Swift & Company. At least 2,400 shareholders would be required to vote a majority of the stock outstanding.

This concern is well organized, stable and progressive.

The business of distributing meat, dairy and poultry products to all corners of the country is a necessary part of the nation's well-being.

# Swift & Company

Swift & Company's net profits from all sources have averaged only a fraction of a cent per pound over a period of years

#### Roosevelt Men Heard By Am. Farm Bureau

as long as creditors press for liquidation," said Gov. W. I. Myers of the Farm Credit Administration. "Co-operation is the only way of dealing with the increasing shortage of farm credit. We now have a complete system of co-operative credit for farmers. A permanent system of co-operative credit should include no government subsidy, but requires that farmers share in furnishing the capital and share increasingly in the control and ownership of the credit institution."

The foregoing national leaders and others, including Chester Davis, head of the AAA; Dr. George F. Warren, financial advisor to President Roosevelt, David Lilienthal, director of the Tennessee Valley Authority developing power at Muscle Shoals, came to explain their work to the Farm Bureau. Also to take back with them the American Farm Bureau's carefully considered opinion and policy in the shape of the resolutions adopted.

The resolution framers began work immediately after each speech. Following a discussion of each address by several Farm Bureau leaders from different parts of the nation, and by the audience, President O'Neal appointed a resolutions sub-committee on the question under discussion. The committee was charged with bringing in a Farm Bureau statement of policy on that particular question. Never has the American Farm Bureau had so large a group working on resolutions. The division of labor seemed to work very satisfactorily.

President O'Neal's 10 Points.

President Edward A. O'Neil opened the convention with an address in which he offered a ten point plan for agricultural and national security. The convention adopted his recommendations as American Farm Bureau policy, as follows:

The convention also endorsed a 10 point plan for agricultural and national security as advocted by President O'Neal in his address;

1. An "honest medium of exchange for goods and services"—a commodity dollar.

2. Equality between farm prices and industrial prices and industrial wages.

3. Reduction of the "too high cost of distribution" so as to give a fair share of the consumers dollar to the

4. Correction of inqualities in the tariff structure.

 Commodity storage on the farm.
 Agricultural credit facilities that equal those available for industry.

7. Correction of the "inequitable tax burden borne by agriculture."

8. A national program of land use.
9. Equal social and educational opportunities in rural life as compared with urban life.

 A strengthened voice of agriculture through a more complete organization of farmers.

#### 85 Michigan Grangers In Grange 50 Years

Lansing — The Michigan State Grange has awarded 85 Golden Sheaf certificates and pins to as many members in this State who have been members for 50 or more consecutive years. Included in that number are several with 60 years of continuous membership, according to State Master C. H. Bramble.

Michigan has more than 1,000 members having 25 consecutive years of Grange membership. There are 50 or more Granges in Michigan that have been operating for 60 years, and 12 of that number are in Lenawee county, Mr. Bramble said.

Today the Michigan State Grange has some 500 local Granges and 60 juvenile Granges, most of them within 60 Pomona Grange organizations.

### Oil Co-ops in Michigan Get Farmer Discount

In Michigan, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois where the Farm Bureaus and other farmers co-operatives distribute gasoline and oil, all oil companies allow farmers a discount of 2c per gallon on purchases of 25 gallons or more. In nearby States without farmers' oil co-operatives, farmers must buy 100 gallons or more at a time to qualify for the 2c discount.

# CREDITS ON PURCHASES Help Pay Farm Bureau Dues!

NOTICE TO MEMBERS: Purchases of Farm Bureau Brand dairy and poultry feeds, seeds, fertilizers and fence from your local dealer; also, purchases from our clothing and blankets dep't at Lansing, are eligible to membership credits when declared.

MAIL YOUR DEALER SALES SLIPS to the Michigan State Farm Bureau, Membership Dep't, 221 North Cedar Street, Lansing, about every three months.

BE SURE Farm Bureau brand goods are entered on slip as "Farm Bureau Alfalfa," "Milkmaker," "Mermash," etc.

\$10 annual dues mature life memberships; \$5 annual dues do not, but participate in Membership Credits, which reduce the amount of dues pay-

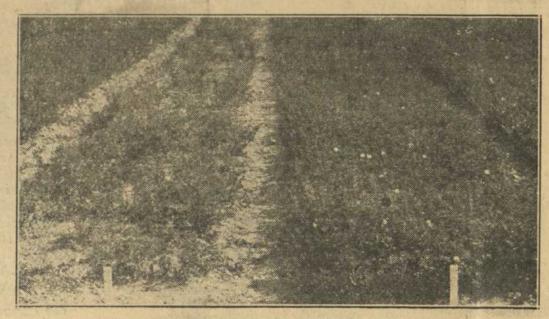
Life members receive their Membership Credits in cash once a year. We furnish addressed, postage

We furnish addressed, postage pre-paid envelopes for this purpose on your request.

MICHIGAN STATE FARM BUREAU

Lansing, Michigan

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THE SECOND SUMMER

LEFT: Alfalfa not adapted to Michigan. WINTER-KILLED.

RIGHT: Alfalfa from Michigan Seed. (State College Photo)

Here are two plots of alfalfa on test in their second summer at the Michigan State College. <u>Failure</u>, at the left. <u>Success</u> at the right. Why?

The plot at the right was sown to Michigan grown seed, such as the Farm Bureau provides Michigan farmers. Note how thick and luxuriant the stand is! Plenty of cheap legume hay in a field of alfalfa like that. For this year and the years to come.

The plot at the left was sown to seed NOT adapted to Michigan (seed from the southern States or South America,—known origin, but not adapted here). Winter killing ruined that plot. A field sown to such unadapted seed would suffer similar winter killing.

The seed for each of these plots appeared equally good. So did the stand the first summer. How can you tell hardy alfalfa seed from alfalfa that will pass out the first winter? You can't by

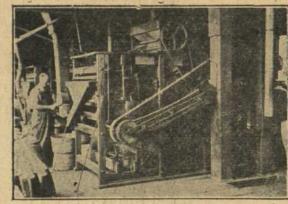
looking at it. You must know that you have seed of guaranteed northern origin and winter hardiness.

FARM BUREAU GUARANTEES northern grown, winter hardy alfalfa (and clover) seeds of the most productive varieties for Michigan. They are genuine varieties such as Grimm, Hardigan, Michigan Variegated alfalfas—heavy yielders, free from weeds and crop mixtures. Their purity, quality and germination are top notch. We give our guarantee below as it appears on our seed analysis tag, which describes seed as "Michigan Grown", etc.

It's expensive,—and almost needlessly so, when a farmer sees a promising stand of alfalfa (or clover) winter killed, or riddled by summer diseases that unadapted alfalfa can't resist.

He loses the expected hay crops or pasture. Also his seed, labor and return from the land. He is set back a year's time in his planned operations. You can protect yourself against such misfortune by using Farm Bureau seeds, guaranteed to be adapted to Michigan. Farm Bureau seeds are priced fairly.

Michigan's co-op ass'ns and other Farm Bureau dealers have booked many thousands of pounds of Farm Bureau's dependable seeds for 1935. They produce the best stands and the high yields. We advise speaking for Farm Bureau seed now.



Farm Bureau Seed Cleaning Mills
Assure Superfine Quality

### FARM BUREAU BRAND SEEDS

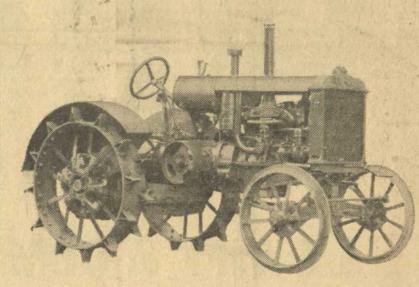
Are delivered to you in sealed, trade-marked, Farm Bureau Brand bushel and half-bushel sacks, direct from our warehouse to you.

#### FARM BUREAU SEED GUARANTEE

Farm Bureau Services, Inc., of Lansing, Michigan, guarantees the vitality, description, origin and purity of its Farm Bureau Brands of Seeds to be as represented on the price card and analysis tag to the full amount of the purchase price if received by the customer in our original, sealed and branded bags.

# FARM BUREAU'S TRACTOR

MAKES GOOD COWS DO BETTER



FARM BUREAU'S Co-op Modern Farmer four wheel type tractor provides the most in power with great economy for every power operation on the farm.

IT IS A TWO-PLOW TRACTOR with three-plow power. It pulls three 14" plows in reasonable plowing conditions and footing. THE CO-OP IS LIGHT in weight (less than 4,000 lbs.). It has the structural strength to back up its tremendous power and give it the stamina to carry through every power job on schedule.

THE DESIGN THROUGHOUT IS VERY SIMPLE and compact—weight distribution is just right. The motor, while very powerful, is very economical in fuel consumption. Its governor works perfectly. In every respect the Co-op is a quality machine. Ask your Farm Bureau dealer about it and write us for descriptive literature.

1935 Will Be a Tractor Year

> We Offer in This Machine

# Tractor Specifications

Motor: Four cylinder, Waukesha, Ricardo L-head, with indicated horse-power above 40. Normal motor speed about 1,200 R. P. M. Built in governor. Fuel filter A. C. type. Pomona oil spray air cleaner.

Front wheels 28" dia., 5" face.
Rear wheels 42"; 10" face.
Wheel base 71".
Width, between rear wheels 40".
Fenders regular equipment.
Spades or cleats regular equipment.
Low pressure rubber tires, extra.
Weight, complete, 3.900 lbs.

Milkmaker Dairy Feed with

home grown grains and le-

gume hay can't be improved

upon to produce more milk

at lower cost per hundred.

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MILKMAKER FORMULAS

16, 24 and 32% Protein

# Mermash for Eggs!

MERMASH 16% PROTEIN supplies hens the best egg making materials, balanced for peak production. See our open formula given herewith.

THAT FORMULA is your guarantee of the best feeds in correct proportions to produce the most eggs and at low cost. We have Mermash users reporting feed cost at 12c per dozen of eggs. We have plenty reporting very high average production from their flocks. Mermash has what it takes for peak production.

Manamar in Mermash is Pacific Ocean kelp and fish meal to supply in food form minerals essential to growth and production. Mermash results prove the importance of Manamar,



# Mermash

GUARANTEED ANALYSIS
Protein (min.) 16%
Fat (min.) 31/2%
Fiber (max.) 5%

OPEN FORMULA

1000 lbs. Ground Yellow Corn

300 lbs. Pure Wheat Bran

300 lbs. Flour Middlings

100 lbs. Meat Scraps

100 lbs. Alfalfa Leaf Meal

200 lbs. Manamar (Fish Meal,

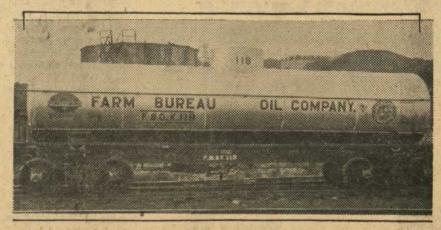
Kelp, Calcium Carbon-

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2000 lbs.

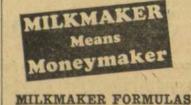
Mermash is made with or without cod liver oil. 5 lbs. of our Nopco XX oil has the vitamin D value of 40 lbs. of ordinary cod liver oil. The gain is yours.

# USE FARM BUREAU WINTER OIL



Farm Bureau oils cost you less than their high priced brothers the great oil firms take from the same fields, because the Michigan, Ohio and Indiana Farm Bureaus own a co-operative blending plant and distributing system. See your local co-op. ass'n.

Farm Bureau Zero Grade Oils start easy and lubricate perfectly in the coldest weather the Old Man from the north brings to us



16, 24 and 32% Protein

For years Milkmaker fed herds have taken 4 or more of

the first 10 places for butterfat production in 1,200 herds

of all breeds in Michigan cow testing associations.

# For Farm Bureau Supplies

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MILKMAKER FORMULAS
16, 24 and 32% Protein