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Behind the Wheel

with J. F. Yaeger, Organization Director

Potato growers throughout the State know Mr. Ashley Berridge and listen to what he has to say. You delegates and visitors from 55 County see, Mr. Berridge is manager of the Farm Bureaus and 114 farmers elestate experimental potato farm at vators, creameries and merchandise Lake City. He also knows his onions ass'ns affiliated with the Michigan (if we may be allowed to mix vege- State Farm Bureau, attended the 19th tables) about other matters. He has annual convention of the Farm Bureau been a Farm Bureau member ever at Michigan State College Nov. 12 since there was a Farm Bureau in and 13. Michigan. He was a member of the The meeting was held in the beau-Farm Bureau's first state board of tiful Union Memorial building. From directors. Recently at a meeting the standpoints of appointments, mempreceding a membership campaign in bership and business accomplishments Missaukee county, he spoke praise for reported, and entertainment of delethe Farm Bureau and its program. gates and visitors, it was perhaps the He emphasised the future rather than best convention in the organization's the past. Farmers need to belong, history. said he, not because of what has happened but because of what can be done if more than just a few put fruit grower, was re-elected president their shoulder to the co-operative Clarence J. Reid, dairy farmer at wheel and the program of organized Avoca, St. Clair county, was re-elect agriculture.

Yield

Speaking of potatoes, Theodore Esch, Lake Leelanau in Leelanau county, steps up with a yield of 480 bushels of potatoes per acre. That, we claim, is "some potatoes".

Champion

When it comes to checkers, Joe Streif. Missaukee county farmer. takes on all comers-and usually to the discomfiture of his opponents. I recently spent an evening at Joe's home and managed to tie only one game out of 15. I thought I knew how to play checkers. But I wasn't the only one, Joe took on all of us during our stay and none was even treasurer for another year. a close match.

Joe is township clerk, and is right well thought of in his neighborhood, that the Michigan Farm Bureau mem-Twenty-six years ago, he moved his bership stands the highest in seven family into the woods in the south- years, and that the State ranks among east corner of the county and cleared the very top ranks of the 37 State a spot for farming. Today the farm Farm Bureaus for membership gains is being purchased by the government in 1936. so that the area may become a wild but "time marches on".

Butter

butter substitutes each week.

more per lb. he helps lower his but- actual monthly consumption of all terfat market 6 or 8c per 1b.

He should figure that in saving 30c lower price his cream brings.

Surplus Stocks Today 100,000,000 Lbs. at Coloma. Every one of 6,500,000 farmers in this country who resolves to use only butter can do much toward controlprice of butterfat.—MICHIGAN CO-OPERATIVE CREAMERIES, INC.

A new agricultural agent was appointed recently by the Wayne County Board of Supervisors when, after will protect U. S. production of fats, diligent inquiry, two members were oils and starches. At present there is found who could explain what an little or no tariff on tropical fats, oils agricultural agent's duties are.

The experts on rural affairs turned en the domestic production. out to be Detroit Council President John W. Smith and Supervisor William A. Ely, of Northville.

the county's farm townships.

"Just a minute," portested Supervisor Edward J. Jeffries. "I don't secrecy, said the speaker. know what an agricultural agent is. I didn't even know we had one. Will some one tell me what it's all about?"

When no one volunteered, Supervisor Smith rushed to the rescue. "The agricultural agent," stam-

mered Smith, "is a man, who tells farmers what to plant." "That's right," declared Supervisor

Ely. "I'm surprised to find that Mr. Smith knows so much about farming. VonMoll's resolution was approved by unanimous vote. The agent will be paid \$600 annually by the county. Besemer succeeds Ralph Carr, who

died recently.-Detroit Free Press.

Loser I insisted that the picture of the young man on the Co-op tractor in a recent advertisement appearing in the Michigan Farm News was Frank Poorman's grandson, Dick. Editor Ungren mildly observed that it was Frank Till, Farm Bureau machinery salesman. We bet the cigars and I lost. Editor Ungren then revealed that he took the picture. All of which should make Frank Poorman, member of the Calhoun County Farm Bureau, scratch his head because it was Frank who told me the young man in the ad. was his grandson. (Editor's note: That's a much photographed tractor.)

FARM BUREAU IN 20TH YEAR AFTER GREAT CONVENTION

Largest Annual Meeting in Years; Re-elect Jakway President

Lansing-Seven hundred and fifty

James J. Jakway, Benton Harbor

ed vice president State directors M B. McPherson, Mrs Edith M. Wagan E. T. Leipprandt H. H. Sandford Charles Woodruff G. S. Coffman were re-elected. Cari Steimle of Sodus Berrien county, was elected to the board. The new board of directors ngaged Clark L

Brody of Lansing

d.d. JAKWAY to continue as executive secretary and

Membership Grows

In his annual report Mr. Brody said

A major accomplishment of the life sanctuary. Clearing that land year, said Sec'y Brody, was the Farm was hard work, say both Mr. and Mrs. Bureau's part in promoting the Mich Streif, and they kind of hate to move, igan plan for rural electrification, plan that the Farm Bureau proposed in 1935. During 1936 and 1937, said A certain farmer milking seven are building lines at their own ex-Mr. Brody, Michigan power companies cow sells about 40 lbs. of butter fat pense to bring electricity to 52,500 farms. Farmer customers on these His family uses about 3 lbs. of lines will guarantee reasonable month-If he buys oleo and saves 10c or of \$2.50 per month above averages the

farmers now using electricity. Secretary Brody reported a considor more on oleo, he is helping do erable expansion of the Farm Bureau's himself out of about \$3 a week in the business services during the year, including an entry into the co-operative Surplus Stocks in July 28,000,000 Lbs. fruit canning business at Hart and

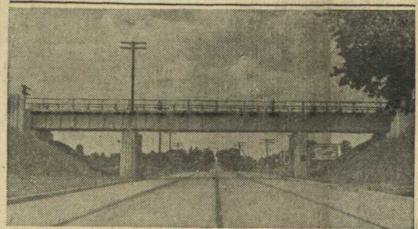
Gray On National Legislation Chester Gray, Washington representative of the Farm Bureau, in an servation act is a step in the right direction, it will have to be amended in every session of Congress until it and starches. They come in to cheap-

Regarding crop insurance, Mr. Gray Supervisor William F. VonMoll, of no one can satisfy the nation as to dation. Monguagon township, chairman of a just what form of crop insurance we special committee, recommended Ells-should have . . . which crops shall be gan could easily be extended to 300,000 made . . . in cash or in kind, in event acres if needed. His recommendation was seconded of losses. Reciprocal trade agreements by the 18 members who represent with other nations come back every 20 class that is entirely different from

Resolutions Summary

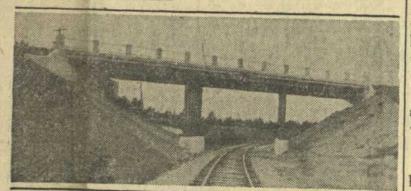
In its resolutions the Farm Bureau pledged aid to state and national apother adapted sugar beet states. We Ohio and Indiana, for sugar. Of this plication of the soil conservation act; will gain by expansion in this and vast expenditure, it is estimated, that said farmer borrowers should have other sugar peet territories in the United States to a point where importion sugar grown and made in the

Elimination of our Railroad Grade Crossings is Under Way



The state highway department has taken US-127 under the railroad to remove a crossing at grade near Hudson, Lenawee county. Completed during the summer of 1936.

The highway now bridges the tracks. A dangerous railroad crossing has been made safe on US-2, east of Rapid River, in the upper peninsula. Built in 1935.



BEETS GIVE BEST GROSS RETURN OF ANY CASH CROP

F. Cox Says Our Acreage Could Be Increased To 300,000

Saginaw, Mich., Nov.-Addressing a group of sugar beet growers J. F. Cox, ormerly of Michigan State College said, in part, "The greatest profits in sugar beet growing generally go to growers who get high yields per acre. Considered from the standpoint of the return from the average crop, this crop gives the largest gross return of any cash crop grown on an extensive scale in Michigan.

'The high acreage valuation of the ugar beet crop means money to the

75c Ton More on First Payment at Lansing

Growers in the Lansing area, it was announced by the Michigan Sugar company from the local factory office Thursday morning, will receive 75 cents a ton more for beets this year on the first payment. The first payment will be made December 15 for beets delivered up to December 1. The 1936 price a ton has been boosted by the company to \$5.50 as against \$4.75 a ton in 1935. On 37,000 tons of beets already delivered, this means an increase of \$27,500 to

grower, it pays good return to laborers, and it markedly increases community wealth. This is the strongest argument for sugar beets-the high returns per acre.

Soils Well Suited

"The soils of Michigan are unusually well suited to the production of crop is adapted. As long as our home proximately \$40,000,000 worth of beets. In discussing the possible insaid the question has been studied at crease of sugar beet growing this the sugar beet crop rightly handled, Washington for 15 years, but as yet point is one that gives us a firm foun-will stand forth as a community

"In considering this crop, it is in a ence." years, said Mr. Gray, and today they wheat, corn and potatoes. Sugar is should be determined without so much still largely an imported commodity. \$7,500,000 More to Farmers There are no present adequate reasons blocking the reasonable expansion of More than \$80,000,000 are spent ansugar beet growing in Michigan and nually, by the people of Michigan

Separation of Highway and Rail Crossing Gigantic Task

Much Work Has Been Done, But 900 Remain on Trunk Lines Alone

By SAM B. McCOOL

wast safety program for eliminating imum road width of only 19 feet for railroad grade crossings on the trunk- all bridge structures, none of the new line road system apparently will be grade separations has a roadway of continued next year.

Citing the department's \$6,700,000 either 42 or 44 feet in width. grade separation program, which is all now under construction or com- that, although the emphasis in such

The commissioner said he could not wide design competition sponsored by reveal details of the next program in the American Institute of Steel Conthe absence of regulations which will struction in 1935. govern it. He said he was hopeful that initial contracts could be let some- grade separation program in the his-

36 Separations Last Year embraced the largest grade separation state. program in all the history of the state ty-six grade separations throughout Federal government plans to continue the state including eleven in the heart grants for this purpose next year," of Wayne county's industrial area. | said Commissioner Van Wagoner.

In addition to the number of grade separations constructed under that program, a number of other railroad grades have been eliminated on the trunkline system through the relocation of highways at various locations The state highway department's Although the state law sets a minless than 33 feet. Most of them are

Commissioner Van Wagoner said pleted, State Highway Commissioner a program is on public safety, highway Murray D. VanWagoner said Michigan engineers also seek to obtain beauty is in line for a \$1,690,000 Federal grant of design in such structures. The Detroit won first honors in a nation-

"Although this has been the largest time during the winter or early spring. tory of the state, it does not approach a complete solution to the statewide When President Roosevelt approved program," the commissioner said. Michigan's \$20,000,000 highway relief "There are still more than 900 cross-

"But the big program is at least a

tation is not necessary. Other Benefits

"The practices necessary for the in foreign countries or at distant most profitable production of the sug- points. In other words, a total of ar beet crop, benefit other crops in approximately \$55,000,000 will be lost Morrill, Jakway, Taylor, and by month use of current of all farm rotation. You do not get all of your to agriculture and industry in Michreturn out of the beets-you get a igan, Ohio and Indiana this year good return out of the following crop through failure to produce at home for the beet crop cleans up the land, all of the sugar required by the peoleaves a fertility residue, provides an ple of the three states. excellent seed bed for small grains and According to Dr. J. A. Brock, editor clover seeding made with them.

beet growing on soil areas where the Indiana are equipped to produce apmarkets need more home grown sugar, sugar annually. builder-furnishing profit to growers 'There is opportunity to extend the and laborers, maintaining large indus-

If Plants Are at Capacity

three states during 1936 while \$55 000,000 will go to pay for sugar grown

of the Sugar Beet Journal, the beet "There is much to say in favor of sugar factories in Michigan, Ohio and

\$12,500,000 This Year

is expected to bring the farmers of Birmingham. the three states could have increased land Morrill, who is credited by many consider. their purchasing power by more than horticulturists with having fathered For the present, the next big step \$7,500,000 if the beet sugar factories Michigan's commercial cantaloupe in under the Michigan Plan, insofar as had been operated to capacity.

problem of materially increasing their Heart of Gold cantaloupe, and in her rates that farmers can afford to pay. ing a maximum acreage of sugar Bureau, 1919-21.

4 West Michigan Ann'l

Oceana County Farm Bureaus will Mr. Jakway, president of the Mich-Company made a report which shows hold their annual meetings during the igan State Farm Bureau, was cited by the extent of farm connections in the week of Dec. 14. All meetings will the society for his "successful career 48 counties it serves. Of the 73,000 start at 10 a. m. with a potluck dinner in practical horticulture, for improving farms in that area, 25,317 were conat noon. There will be programs of the Osage cantaloupe, and for gener-nected with electric service at the end entertainment, discussion of member- ously giving of his time in public spir- of October. In some counties service ship plans for 1937, election of officers, ited enterprises." ments are complete:

Muskegon on M-46.

Community hall.

GREATEST EXPANSION OF FARM POWER LINES IN STATE WAS MADE IN 1936; **AVERAGED NEARLY TEN MILES DAILY**

Companies Build Lines at Own Expense to Serve More than 15,000 Farm Homes Averaging 5 Per Mile; Next Step to Serve Those Averaging 3 or 4 Per Mile

The year 1936 has witnessed the greatest expansion of rural electric lines in state history. Under the so-called Michigan Plan, Michigan power companies have built or approved for construction nearly 3,500 miles of line at their own expense, to serve more than 15,000 farm customers. This plan has had the support of the Michigan State Farm Bureau and the State Grange.

It has meant that as the sun went down on each day of 1936, nearly ten more miles of farm electric line had been approved for free construction, and that 59 to 60 families were assured of electric service.

Construction Catching Up

The demand for service and the number of lines qualified has at times far outrun the capacity of line construction crews. But the Consumers Power Co., with 60 line crews in the field, says that on Dec. 31 it will have completed and turned the power into 1,600 miles of line, to serve more than 8,000 families. They average 5.3 to the mile of line. This company will have another 300 miles of line in various stages of construction on Dec. 31.

The Detroit Edison, serving eastern Michigan and the Thumb counties, will have built upwards of 1,200 to 1,500 miles of line to serve probably 7,500 farm homes. Other power companies in southwestern and western Michigan have recently adopted the plan, and are beginning to build lines at their own expense, in exchange for guarantees of reasonable monthly minimum revenues per customer, which is a feature of the plan.

So far, application of the Michigan Plan by the public utilities commission has been to proposed lines that will average five or more customers per mile. The Consumers and the Detroit Edison have announced plans to finance line for the same type of construction next Woodward Avenue grade separation in construction under the Michigan Plan which will bring electricity to 52,500 farm homes in 1935 and 1936. For the first year these companies have had more than they could do to meet the demand where an average of five customers per mile could be had.

Next Step Is Four or Less

The next step is an extension of the Michigan Plan which will open it to communities averaging four or three and even program in the summer of 1935, it ings of railroads at trunklines in the less customers per mile. The Farm Bureau, Grange, State College, utilities commission and power companies have been highway department. The program fine start. It should be a matter of working together and separately on this problem, and it is provided for the construction of thir- gratification to every motorist that the to be hoped that a satisfactory working policy can be announced soon.

FOUR ARE HONORED AT HORT MEETING

Coryell Works Are Memorialized

The growers thus honored by the so- ity by farmers continues to gain. ciety at its annual banquet here last

dustry. Mrs. Morrill was cited as "a the farmer is concerned, is to extend

quently turned years ago for assis-for. Mason, Muskegon, Newaygo and tance in his plant breeding work.

The Community Farm Bureaus in Mr. Coryell, a former superintendent those counties will provide the enter- of Detroit city parks, was given the tainment. Members will be notified award for being "a successful nurs spring convention which probably will by letter regarding the time and place eryman to whom many persons have be held in March, of meeting. These meeting arrange turned for counsel and inspiration in Other officers elected were Arnold

verse City was chosen as site for the ed directors.

Much Learned This Year Much has been learned of advantage during the past year. A new and apparently thoroughly satisfactory type

of farm line construction is being developed by one company. It costs less to build and promises better service. customers . . . both old and new. A program has been developed by one company to place rural service en-Tree men and a woman, considered gineers in its districts to enable custo be the outstanding fruit growers of tomers to get the most out of electric Michigan, held the 1936 certificates of power . . . and to increase the profitmerit of the Michigan State Horticul- able use of electricity among farmers. tural society at Grand Rapids, Dec. 3. The average monthly use of electric-

Problem Ahead night were Mrs. Joanna Adams Mor- It has been estimated that it will rill of Benton Harbor, Dr. William A. require about 600 miles of rural line Commenting on this fact, Brock Taylor of Saugatuck, J. J. Jakway of to competely serve the rural districts said, "While the 1936 sugar beet crop Benton Harbor, and R. J. Coryell of of the average county. That means an investment of more than \$600,000 per tries, increasing the material welfare Michigan, Ohio and Indiana a total The presentation of the certificate county for lines. Companies serving worth Besemer, of Belleville, for the covered and how payment shall be gan could easily be extended to 300,000 of communities and contributing to of approximately \$12,500,000 it is of to Mrs. Morrill also was a tribute to from several to as many as 48 countributing to of approximately \$12,500,000 it is of to Mrs. Morrill also was a tribute to find the covered and how payment shall be gan could easily be extended to 300,000 of communities and contributing to of approximately \$12,500,000 it is of to Mrs. Morrill also was a tribute to find the covered and how payment shall be gan could easily be extended to 300,000 of communities and contributing to of approximately \$12,500,000 it is of to Mrs. Morrill also was a tribute to find the covered and how payment shall be gan could easily be extended to 300,000 of communities and contributing to the covered and how payment shall be gan could easily be extended to 300,000 of communities and contributing to the covered and how payment shall be gan could easily be extended to 300,000 of communities and contributing to the covered and how payment shall be gan could easily be extended to 300,000 of communities and contributing to the covered and how payment shall be gan could easily be extended to 300,000 of communities and contributing to the covered and how payment shall be gan could easily be extended to 300,000 of communities and contributing to the covered and how payment shall be gan could easily be extended to 300,000 of communities and contributing to the covered and how payment shall be gan could easily be extended to 300,000 of communities and contributing to the covered and how payment shall be gan could easily be extended to 300,000 of communities and covered and how payment shall be gan could easily be extended to 300,000 of communities and covered and how payment shall be gan cove ward national stability and independ- interest to note that the farmers of the work of her husband, the late Ro-

> "With the farmers of Michigan, worthy successor in the work of her its areas having an average of three Ohio and Indiana confronted with the husband in the development of the or four customers per mile, and at purchasing power it is reasonable to own right as an inspiring example of The Farm Bureau and Grange suppose that they will take advantage able management in horticultural en. know that many of the best farming of the opportunity to add millions of terprise." Mr. Morrill was the first areas in Michigan will average three dollars to the farm income by grow-president of the Michigan State Farm and four possible customers per mile, ing a maximum acreage of sugar Bureau, 1919-21. Bureau, 1919-21.
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> Doctor Taylor, cited for "his wise directorship of research activity for the federal government," retired as head of the federal bureau of plant industry several years ago. It was to Doctor Taylor that Mr. Morrill frequently turned years ago for assistant that those farmers are in position to make the most extensive use of electricity. An early announcement of such an extension of the Michigan Plan will not be surprising. It's acceptance by farmers averaging five to the mile has proved that it was about what they have been looking for

> > is given in every township.

recognition of his services in the ad- Schaefer, Sparta, vice president; H. D. Muskegon county: Dec. 17 at Mus- vancement of Michigan horticulture." Hootman, East Lansing, secretary, kegon Grange hall, 4 miles east of W. K. Bristol, Almont, was named and James Richards of Eau Claire, president of the organization to suc- treasurer, Henry Barth, St. Joseph, Mason county: Dec. 18 at Scottville ceed Arlie Hopkins, Bear Lake. Tra- and W. D. Willard, Beulah, were nam-

A Quarter Century of Michigan State Grange Leaders



Lansing 1910-1914

Hastings 1914-1922

Owosso 1922-1926

G. F. ROXBURGH C. H. BRAMBLE Reed City 1926-1932 Lansing 1932-

This photograph of Michigan State Grange | ing its state leaders for 25 years back . . . and to Masters, past and present, was taken at the state find all of them active and prominent, not only in the convention at Sturgis in October. Their periods of organization's affairs, but in their business and public service are given. It is indeed remarkable for any life as well. These leaders have been active in the organization to be able to muster at an annual meet- Grange since boyhood.

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Grade Crossings

We present with pleasure on page one of this paper an illustrated article on the separation of railroad and highway grade crossings now being accomplished by the state highway department. Of course, it is a tremendous undertaking and will require years. Sixty such separations were made on trunkline highways in 1936; there remain more than 900 such grade crossings on state roads alone. We recall as a most remarkable experience that in driving 400 miles on Iowa trunk lines last summer, from the Mississippi river at Clinton to Ames, Des Moines and return to Davenport on the river, that almost all of the railroad crossings were above or below the tracks. There are few communities in Michigan that can't recall a fatal accident at a railroad grade crossing.

The Speed Limit May Return

When we are confronted in our daily newspapers by pictures of little children and defenseless men and women slain in the bombing of Madrid . . when we read of a steel train telescoping a wooden coach loaded with people in Chicago . . . and the drowning of half a dozen members of the crew of a boat that turned turtle in the early morning hours in Georgian bay, we are shocked and our sympathy goes out to the stricken and the bereaved.

Those items are dramatic and they make the news. However, in a commonplace sort of a way, our American driving public is killing and maiming more people every day than are shot or bombed in the Spanish war and the current catastrophies of the day. It has become commonplace news. Authorities now estimate that 1936 will show more than 36,000 deaths and 200,000 injuries in automobile accidents . . . an all

Something must be done to make driving and drivers safer. Speed is an important factor in accidents. Some years ago Michigan eliminated the speed limit. Now we're thinking of returning to it in a modified way. State police and highway engineers have been conducting speed tests for safe driving on some of our highways. They find that in many places where there is no limit on speed, there should be restrictions to 40 or even 25 miles an hour. Legislation to permit such highway speed limits and enforcement thereof is likely to come before the 1937 legislature.

Recovery

Times are changing again. Business recovery has reached the point where printers and other users of paper are informed by their mills that they are so far behind with orders that it is difficult to place a delivery date on new business. The steel industry has come out of the slough of despond to operate at the highest production volume in its history. Automobile, cotton, and woolen goods, and other industries are running from 16 to 24 hours a day. Wage increases, bonuses and extra dividends mark the end of 1936.

Perhaps, because of more closely knit organization, various types of business are out-distancing agriculture in the return to better times. To some degree the out-pouring of wage increases, bonuses and dividends is a matter of prosperity; and to another degree it is a choice of putting earnings into the hands of stockholders and labor or paying it to the federal tax collector. In the meantime, farm prices have been making progress from the depression bottom. Consider these prices at Chicago:

Second Week in March 1933 1934 1935 \$.83 9.35 11.00 \$ 1.07 9.60 11.90 \$.49 What we have experienced and what we are apparently coming into reminds us of a statement of business experience in our Farm News editorial column in November of 1930. It quoted a great Pittsburgh

"This company was organized 50 years ago on September 1st, 1880, and few of our customers appreciate what it has meant to keep open every day endeavering to maintain a constant stock of the articles shown on the other side of this card through booms, panics, wars, strikes and disaster.

manufacturer of mill, mine and electrical supplies in the beginning of

"Business has been so bad that during several summers the grass grew tall between the paving blocks before our shipping room doors, and later we were so busy that with a duplicate complete organization working nights we could not fill your orders. Workmen have been so scarce that at times itinerate colored laborers received much larger wages than paid our superintendents in charge, while later we helped maintain soup lines for the unemployed:

"During the war we operated largely with women and children and without salesmen; many times daily advertisements in the Pittsburgh papers for workers would bring no reply; often we have walked the streets and solicited passersby to enter our employ, yet at other times our offices have been mobbed when we advertised for workers.

"Merchandise has been so cheap and plentiful that at one time we had more than 200 carloads of one article in stock and later that article was so scarce that we had to ration our supply so that only the most urgent demands would be met.

"At times we have chartered steamboats, barges and special trains to obtain or ship merchandise. During disaster we have kept open all night until the urgency was passed. When goods were scarce we have scoured the United States and even foreign countries to locate and purchase them, in some cases buying back from abroad for your use goods that were made in Pittsburgh.

"Through our shipping room doors we have passed a million dollars of supplies in one boom month, and in panics our shipments have been practically nothing. At times, money has been so scarce that a moratorium was declared: once all of us resorted to script; now, we cannot employ our

"Many of the companies in business when we started are not in existence today and there is a grim satisfaction in having survived the violent fluctuations of the first 50 years."

BUILD TURN-OUTS FOR MAIL BOXES ON NEW ROADS

Idea Provides Convenience new construction because the U. S. And Safety for Carrier And Farmer

brought the construction this year of ways. approximately 700 turn-outs at rural

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Rural Letter Carrier Association.

hopeful that the turn-out construction A new state highway policy has will reduce the accident rate on high-

"Parked cars of rural mail men at "C. J. letter boxes," he said, "are a serious Two birds are killed by one stone menace to traffic, especially on two- eH. H. Sanford..... emove a traffic hazard.

The policy was initiated on new at roadside markets. Constructed at whose two year terms do not expire Forrest King...



Christmas Thoughts

Marthy, it won't be long until Christmas now. How gladly all the world anticipates The Birthday Season of our Lord, and how We set His day above all other dates.

A thousand times the story has been heard, The wonderous story of His lowly birth, Yet we rejoice and treasure every word Of how he came, to save the lost of earth.

We worship Him, a tiny new-born mite; We love Him, heart and soul, as soft He lies Cradled in straw, yet crowned with ambient light, While angel anthems fill the frosty skies,

Peace and Goodwill, the angles sang, and yet, Soon as the skies close on the last amen, And Christmas Day is over, we forget What we have heard and go our ways again.

We go our ways of malice and of greed. Nations whet swords still stained with piteous gore. Men nurse their hatreds, and our woeful need Of Jesus is soon greater than before.

Now Hiram, hush. You know that isnt so. God is not mocked; Nor all men don't forget! Many there are who take Christ's Way and go With Christ to Calvary - and further yet.

And these, though few, are Salt of all the Earth And in them God is pleased. He understands. They serve their Lord for all their souls are worth And love to live at one with His commands.

Marthy, you're right; and let us set our eyes On His high mark who soon shall be re-born Anew in people's hearts, that we may rise Up the long Way that starts on Christmas Morn.



Behind

growing it."

A farmer recently expressed himself

as follows: "All I want from our

government is the right to grow what

I wonder if this farmer ever

thought what would happen if every

income sufficient for myself and fam-

Or if the business man said: "All

I want is the right to sell what I want

It seems to me we need to be

thinking less of what and when we,

as individuals, want to do and a little

more about what we, as individuals

within a community, state or nation ought to do for the henefit

community, state or nation. A little

more co-operation for the common

good, a little less of the rugged in-

dividualistic spirit at the expense of

the many would be, in the long run,

Aboard China Clipper

A New England clipper, back from

trading along the China coast,

brought the first soybeans to this

country. That was in 1804. Then

they were a botanical curiousity, and

fashionable houses grew the beans

in their gardens. From gardens to

a national crop has taken over a cen-

written records, soybeans were an es-

sential food of Orientals. Ancient

Chinese books recount more than 400

ways of preparing them. Decades

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tury and a quarter.

of greater benefit to all of us.

Soy Bean Came to Us

a profit on my business.'

Farm Bureau in 20th Year After Convention the Wheel

more control of their federal farm credit sources, and that 31/2% interest should be continued. The farm Bureau asked for public hearings on proposed reciprocal trade agreements. Other resolutions suggested additional ceive at least cost of production for snow removal on township highways since the Michigan State College has come to have half as many students as the University, it should have half to work when I want to, at what I as much state support rather than a want to, and be guaranteed a yearly constitutional amendment should be permitted to come before the people until it has had study by the legislature, said another. The text of the resolutions is given on page 4 in this to, when I want to, and be guaranteed

Comment on Farm Bureau Meeting

Burt Wermuth, Editor, MICHIGAN FARMER, to Sec'y C. L. Brody:

"Congratulations and all good wishes to yourself and those who have helped to make the Michigan Farm Bureau the effective organization it is in building for our State a more economic agriculture and a better rural life."

Herbert Nafziger, Berrien Co. Fruit Grower:

"The Farm Bureau's annual meeting was probably the greatest in its history, judging from my observation. The attendance, enthusiasm, and record of the past year's business and oth-

er activities were great. I am sure that most of us went home with the feeling that organized agriculture and our own farm business is on the up grade and that the future will see the fulfilment of many of our fondest hopes."

At the 1936 meeting, the Junior der. Michigan Farm Bureau was represented by voting delegates. They took an active part in the committee work In 1935 more than 600,000 farmers and upon the floor.

Farm Bureau Fruit Products Co. At this meeting a new commodity were grown in the United States exchange was affiliated with the State prior to 1917. Last year close to Farm Bureau. It is the Farm Bureau 51/2 million acres were planted, en Fruit Products Company, a co-opera- couraged in part by the drought and tive group of fruit growers interested in part by AAA. Soybeans on about in the Farm Bureau canning plants half of these acres were harvested at Hart and Coloma. On the State for beans or used for grazing; on the Farm Bureau board it takes the place half they were used for hay or sil-Commissioner Van Wagoner said of the Great Lakes Fruit Industries, age, or were turned under for soil turn-out construction will not be ex- Inc., which has been dissolved. Carl improvement. Production of the ended to highways built prior to this Steimle of Sodus is the new director beans in 1925 was only 5 million year's Federal Aid program. "The representing the Fruit Products Com. bushels. The 1935 crop was more

obvious reason is that we do not have the money to do this. We are permitted to build the turn-outs on new construction because the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads has consented by affiliated commodity exchanges and four elected as Farm Bureau directors at large, as follows:

Increases in production are coming along at such a pace that science has had a new job laid at its doors—the job of helping industry and consumers to keep pace with the output of soybeans. At present some 35 soybeans. At present some 35 soybeans.

*Commodity directors

*Chas. Woodruff Live Stock Exch.

*G. C. Coffman Midwest Creameries, Inc.

*Carl Steimle Fruit Products Co. ... Calhoun Co. turning out various industrial pro-

*Re-elected The Michigan State Farm Bureau carrier to deliver the mail and also outs, they also are of distinct con- board of directors consists of 16 farm-

Survey Shows Agriculture Vocation of Many of Members-Elect

FARMERS TO LEAD

Farmers will far outnumber members of the 1937 state house of representatives engaged in other pursuits according to a compilation completed by Myles F. Gray, house clerk.

Of the 100 members who will be sworn into office Wednesday, January 6, nearly one-third, or 32 of them, describe themselves as farmers. Several engage in other occupations as well, but these describe themselves as farmers primarily. Thus there are farmers and attorneys, farmers and insurance agents, farmers and salesmen, and the like.

List 10 Attorneys

Ten members are attorneys, including a "farmer-attorney." Mrs. Elizabeth Belen (D.) of Lansing, is classified as "florist" in the list. A half dozen find their livelihood near the soil, even though they are not farmers. Thus, Ray M. Barrett (D) of Muskegon is manager of Celery Producers association; other kindred) "next-to-nature" professions including those of florist, "vice president of a pickling corporation," fruit grower, and dairy farmer,

Never Carry a Loaded Gun in an Automobile

IN 1937 HOUSE Lansing, Dec. 6.—Be sure to remove all shell or cartridges from your gun before placing it in an automobile.

that carrying loaded firearms in an superintendent. automobile topped the list of 635 artion laws in October.

that a loaded rifle or shotgun must month. not be carried in an automobile. sportsmen in large numbers each year or ignorance in committing this viola- Mason and Dixon line.

tion, conservation authorities here

8 Miles of Tulips Are Set Out in Holland

Planting of Holland's tulip lanes This reminder to sportsmen was is- has been completed and eight miles sued by the department of conserva- of bulbs have been set out under the tion today after a check-up revealed direction of John VanBragt, park

rests for violations of the conserva- Michigan's training school for conservation officers near Roscommon Although the law plainly states will open for the 1937 term next

Clover seed from Hungary or the persist through intent, carelessness Netherlands is good only below the

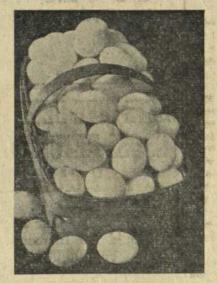
FARMERS!

Insure in Michigan's Largest Farm Mutual Fire Insurance Company

Assets and resources nearly \$300,000 over half of which is in cash, Government Bonds and Bonds guaranteed by the U.S. Government. Have paid farmers in Michigan over \$5,235,617,00 in losses since organization. Losses satisfactorily adjusted and promptly paid. Blanket policy on farm personal which often pays double a classified policy. Credits in assessments allowed for approved fire extinguishers, fire resisting roof on dwellings and lightning rods. Assessment as low as \$2.94 per \$1000. Careful underwriting and systematic inspection reducing overinsurance and eliminating undesirable risks and fire hazards.

DON'T JUST BUY INSURANCE—BUY PROTECTION. For further information, write Home Office.

State Mutual Fire Insurance Co. of Michigan W. V. Burras, Pres. 702 Church St., Flint, Mich. H. K. Fisk, Sec'y



GET MORE Eggs at Less Cost

Give hens what they need to keep up weight and health and at the same time produce better eggs in larger quantities. For best results, laying mash should contain not less than 5% of good quality dry skimmilk.

Make your hens more profitable. GREEN VALLEY BRAND dry skimmilk is a choice grade product from the dairy farms of Michigan. The minerals and lactose are concentrated 81/2 to 1. Give milk made feeds a trial.

Lansing

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MILK SALES DIVISION



The Sugar Beet's Own Story

"Let's have a friendly chat, Mr. Grower! You are situated right in the heart of one of the best Sugar Beet sections of America."

"Just as certain sections of Louisiana are best for raising sugar cane, your section of Michigan is peculiarly adaptable for raising Sugar Beets. Thousands of farmersmany of them your neighbors -find this true.'

"Naturally, every year cannot be good for a bumper crop."

"Farm incomes, like all other incomes, must vary from year to year. That is controlled by weather, by supply and demand, by management and economic conditions."

"But, as all authorities agree. and experience shows, your soil is excellent for Sugar Beets, isn't it good business to stick with that which is best for your pocketbook?"

"Sugar Beets are not a surplus crop. The processors will take all you produce."

"Sugar Beets do not impoverish your soil. On the contrary, the proper growing and cultivation of beets gives to your soil those properties it needs to make it highly productive of other crops in proper rotation."

Beets are hardy. They are not so sensitive. They can 'take it'. For beets, more than any other crop, stand wet weather, dry weather, hot weather and cold weather."

"This means that when you grow beets and get up against adverse weather conditions, you are more certain of a good yield than you are with any other cultivated crop."

"So, in conclusion, let me stress this, Mr. Grower: Year after year stick to a regular planting of Sugar Beets. Sugar Beets are the ideal crop from which to make more money."

Farmers and Manufacturers Beet Sugar Association, Saginaw, Mich.

For Reliable Year In and Year Out Profits

YOU CAN'T BEAT SUGAR BEETS

HAMILTON FARM BUREAU OPERATES MANY BUSINESSES

Majors in Eggs and Poultry; Sells Automobiles; Runs Fleet of Trucks

Hamilton-Largely as a result of their own efforts, Hamilton farmers have sold their products throughout the depression at the highest possible prices, while at the same time they have bought supplies at the bottom, said Dan Runnells, agri'l editor of the Grand Rapids Press, in an article describing what has happened at Hamilton since the Hamilton Farm Bureau co-op was organized there in

Hamilton Farm Bureau patrons have sold their eggs, chickens and turkeys at New York prices, wrote Mr. Runnells. Their cream has brought top prices. Their livestock likewise has returned better than average market values: And Hamilton truck crops, particularly celery, have commanded a premium wherever offered for sale. Mr. Runnells con-

War Veteran Is Manager

"Persons who claim to know declare the economic stability of Hamilton farmers is the result of their Dutch thrift and business ability. They work together, sell together and buy together. They have been cooperating in this way for 16 yearsever since Andrew Lohman, a young Hanoverian who speaks Dutch, returned from service in the World war. He helped organize the Hamilton Farm Bureau in 1920, became its manager and guided its piecemeal growth until now it is engaged in nearly a score of agricultural enterprises. Nearly a sixth of the village's population is on the co-op's pay roll. "The Hamilton Farm Bureau's gross sales during the past year totaled \$775,000. The co-operative paid a cash dividend of 5 per cent on its capital stock besides a substantial patronage dividend on pur-

chases. Machines Grade Eggs

"Eggs and poultry are the principal commodities handled by the cooperative, although it does market cream, grain, livestock and truck crops for its membership. It makes money for farmers in selling their products and saves money for them in the purchase of supplies.

"Eggs are graded, candled and sorted by automatic machinery, and shipped in car lots by express to New York, where they sell at top prices. The co-operative's packing plant is equipped with a sanding and browns out of dirty-shelled eggs at a very low cost for the treatment.

"Poultry is dressed, waxed, packed and shipped in car lots to Detroit, New York and other cities. The cooperative's poultry, like its eggs, sells at best prices.

Trucks Balk Freight Raise

"Cream is purchased and sold on a graded basis. Other farm commodities are handled similarly. The co-operative seeks to reward the producers for good qualtiy. It also seeks to reduce marketing costs.

sharp increase in the transportation local groups, who a few years ago attention in different sections of the and other establishments, and recharges on celery shipments to Chi-were almost strangers. There was state. No doubt the contrasts are cago. The Farm Bureau came to the reunion of the old standbys, those more pronounced between the states. their rescue. It added two trucks who have been steadfast through Surely great good should develop to its fleet of trucks and the profect. A patronage dividend on trans- the Farm Bureau has ever experi-

fertilizer manufacturing business two years ago. Farmers aid they from many sections of the state told facilities available to every one, farm and paying its patrons substantial business and not just to be enter- keep well rather than be cured after patronage dividends on their pur- tained.

Co-op Owns Rail Depot

"Balanced rations for cows and Farm Bureaus met with the endorsechickens are milled in the farmers | ment of the women. Those who are later on. own plant. Spray materials for crops are mixed by the co-operative. Automobiles and trucks are sold through the farmers' garage. The gas tanks are filled at the co-operative's station.

"Hamilton's railroad station is located in one of the Farm Bureau's warehouses. It is a byproduct of cooperation between the Pere Marquette railroad and the farmers. The railroad needed a new station and the co-operative needed an egg packing plant. The farmers made a deal with the transportation company for a 99year lease on the land occupied by the old depot and built a three-story warehouse which houses the depot, that in his opinion the Farm Bureau breathing spell for our farm folks. sion—not a liquor promotion commisthe co-operative's offices, its egg began to have power when the woonly co-operatively owned railroad station in Michigan."

No Perch Run

Lansing.-State fisheries workers here are commenting on the absence of any important runs of fingerling perch so far this fall along the shore of Lake Michigan. Usually heavy runs occur and many fingerlings are seined for planting by state hatchery men, but no seining was done up to Nov. 26 because the perch failed to appear.

A log stringer bridge having a span of 12 feet with an approach tapering

Farm Community and Village Thrive Because of Hamilton Farm Bureau

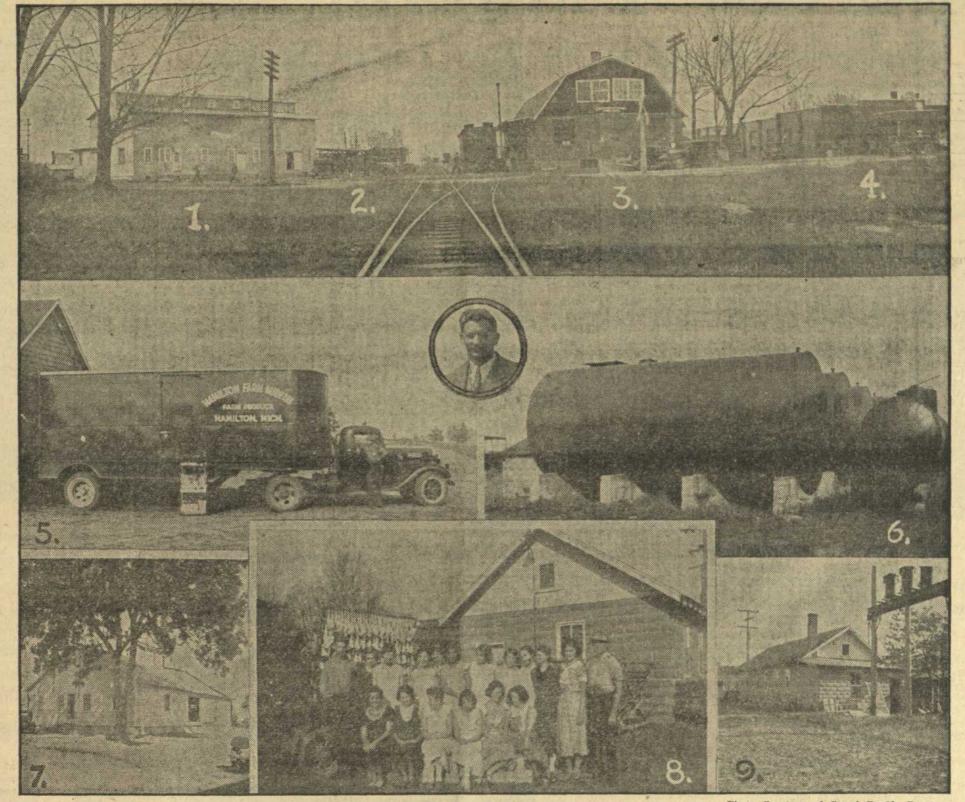


Photo Courtesy of Grand Rapids Press.

Hamilton, an Allegan county village of 500 inhabitants, is a farmers' town. Farmers own and operate the Hamilton Farm Bureau—the largest single business, or group of businesses, in the community. A good idea of the magnitude of the co-op's operations can be had by listing its many enterprises as shown here,

1. Elevator, feed mill and warehouse.

2. Coal yards. 3. Egg packing plant, cream sta-

4. Garage, automobile sales room

truck fleet.

7. Fertilizer factory.

6. Oil and gasoline storage tanks. 9. Poultry packing and condition-

public, can go without liquor."

tion, office and Pere Marquette 5. One unit of the co-op's motor 8. Poultry dressing crew before INSET in circle, Andrew Lohman, general manager.

Units not shown include: Spray mixing plant, stockyards,, vegetable packing plant, and the truck depot.

machine that makes "hennery" whites Medical Survey, State Aid For Schools Interest Women

ior Farm Bureau to Have Their Help

By MRS. EDITH M. WAGAR The recent annual meeting of Mich- ership. igan State Farm Bureau brought out

many new people. "The co-operative went into the a bigger and better organization.

Women in the Field

The development of Community enrolled in such a local group were



ities. We found that the women were doing actual writing members, refreshments. It should rightfully share it. was gratifying to

highly enthusiastic

for their possibil-

there was no speaking. That is un by diverting monies collected for road put it out on milk routes. usual for a banquet, but the change purposes. There's still much to be was heartily approved and all enjoyed the opportunity of seeing and our state. Any other use for that have one on each corner, the person hearing the home folks as they en- money should be discouraged. tertained.

The women decided to devote their food. We wondered if she had ing liquor, but I don't see any ad-Farm Bureaus during the coming thought the situation through and vantage in putting it in drug store year. If women once make up their really wants cheap food and the windows throughout the state. I

folks past the age of high school and their prices are too high. Why should some people prefer to buy liquor at folks past the age of high school and the farmer? These are some of the drug stores and other S. D. D.'s beinto a group and organized into a problems facing our farm folks to-cause they don't like to go to a state from 32 to 16 feet has been completed by CCC enrollees of Camp Sagola ple only will take the lead. Who near Channing. knows better than the women who consideration,

Community Groups and Jun-should be enrolled and how to ap-

We hope some start along this line can be made in every county before another annual meeting, for these young people will be our future lead-Interested in Medical Survey

It is astonishing how many in-There was a great gathering of quiries we have received concerning uary 1, and have administration sup-"Truck crop producers were faced last spring with the prospect of a were representatives of co-operative the cost and availability of medical of hundreds of drug stores, groceries young folks, all new to the work yet the medical survey we began late this

nounced it the best annual meeting Farm Bureau compile their findings. We urge our women to assist us portation may cut the shipping cost enced, for both men and women have by returning the questionnaire fully acquired a spirit of co-operation for completed. Your bit is needed in this work as well as in many other At the woman's breakfast women things. Our aim is to have medical wanted better and cheaper fertilizers. of their actual experiences in building and city alike, at a price the patron membership. They were there for can afford to pay. We must aim to we become ill. It will take time, but we feel it is something that is most worthwhile and our interest now will

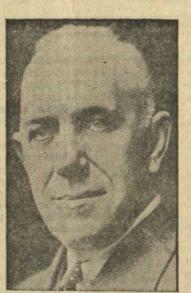
> create a more universal sentiment Let's Keep Our Benefits

We must concentrate on such matters as additional state aid for education. At one time Michigan was rated as having the best educational system of any state in the Union. We must keep pace and preserve the prized record that we have held. Farm Bureau work, There's nothing that reflects on a

The relief already granted through on the subject: hear one man say more state aid has meant a real tax "This is a liquor control commis-

Gormely Would Revise Liquor Sales System

If Verold F. Gormely, one time dithe upper peninsula, should move up to become chairman of the state



Today, according to an article in state's citzenship as the education of the press there are 93 state liquor collecting dues, ar- its people. We must keep our stand- stores, and 1,470 privately owned ranging programs, ards high but see to it that the bur- liquor stores, known as "specially participating in den of support and administration designated distributors." These latter discussions, serving is properly balanced among all who do 85% of the business, the article said. Liquor Commissioner Gormely

We must be on our guard that this sion. I have always said if we are men became interested in all of its method is continued. And every once going to have specially designated in a while there bobs up some new distributors to make whiskey easy The banquet was unique in that proposal to dip into the road finances to get, we should go all the way and

"You can have a lot of 'one-man' The other day we heard a farm buy liquor, doesn't want it very much. who wouldn't walk a few blocks to The women decided to devote their woman lament on the high cost of I have no Puritanical ideas concernyear. If women once make up their minds a thing should and can be minds a thing should and can be will bring. We've never heard people of liquor. I believe in making it easy In every county a group of young of other walks of life lament that to buy for those who want to buy it. state store where sales are open and

Potato Exchange Officers This said the article, will come as

a shock to "package dealers" who Officers of the Michigan Potato have been looking for more liberal Growers Exchange for the 1936-37 Bureau members. The counties liquor legislation. The state now business year are: President, J. T. Grand Traverse, Leelanau, Berger fixes prices at which liquor is sold, Bussey of Lake Leelanau; vice presi- Charlevoix, Antrim and Kalkasia and may take not more than 40% dent L. G. Van Liew of Bellaire; secprofit on state store sales. S. D. D.'s retary, O. E. Hawley of Shelby; are allowed 10% discount on their treasurer, E. A. Rasmussen of Sheri-reau, composed of 47 county Factory purchases until they make \$1,200 per dan. Fred P. Hibst of Cadillac is Bureaus and 90 community gr year. Then they are allowed 5% for the general manager.

In 1936, said the article, the liquor business will gross \$22,000,000 in Michigan. From that the state general fund will net about \$8,000,000.

Deep Oil Wells

Several oil wells in the United stricted entirely to state owned stores. States have been drilled to depths greater than 10,000 feet, or about two miles. Present equipment permits drilling to more than 15,000 feet, or nearly three miles. Wells in Michigan range a little above or below 3,000 feet in depth.

replies. He called at the office. "I want to see the advertising manager," he said. "He's out," said the office boy.

"Well, his assistant." "He's out, too, sir." "Well, I'll see the editor." "He's out, sir."

"Great Scott! Is everybody out?" "Yes-they're all hunting your dog." | throughout the State.

FALL MEMBERSHIP **CAMPAIGN BRINGS** 8,000 MEMBERS

Farm Bureau Laying Plans To Add 15,000 in 1937

The annual fall membership cam paign of the Michigan State Farm Bu reau closed December 1st with a total of nearly 8,000 farm families becom ing paid-up members of the organization, according to J. F. Yaeger, direct or of organization. Although the new members came from all sections of the State, the Thumb of Michigan the southwest and western areas con tributed the most.

Lapeer county led the campaign this year by adding over 600 paid-up memberships to the county total. Ionia county led the State in being the first to secure its 1936 quota. From a very small organization, Ionia county this year built up a membership that totals well over the 300 mark. President Mark R. Westbrook of Ionia County was presented a plaque as an honor award for the fine showing his county made.

For having the largest addition o new members, President Ralph Dav enport of Lapeer County received, on behalf of the county, a cup trophy at the annual banquet of the Michigan State Farm Bureau on the evening of November 12th. Mr. Reid Rider of Almont, Lapeer county, won a besu tiful Farm Bureau blanket as m award for having enrolled the large number of families in the Farm Por reau. On November 20th, Mr. Rider had signed 136 members on a volum tary basis, receiving no compensation whatever. He is Michigan's en try in a similar contest of the Amer ican Farm Bureau Federation and will travel to Pasadena, California to attend the annual meeting of the national organization being held there December 8-12.

Sanilac county made the largest percentage of increase for 1936.

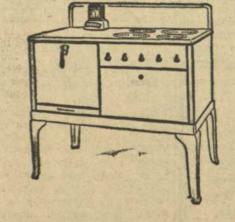
The largest percentage of quota ** cured in any district was in the four counties of Mason, Muskegon, Neway go and Oceana. These counties ar cured over 90 percent of their 1930 quota and organized 21 of 90 Commun ity Farm Bureaus in Michigan in 1920 A section of the State that has minds important gains in Farm Bureau man bership this past year is the North western area. Although the member ship in this area is not as large as other more densely populated runs areas, Farm Bureau leaders in the cherry growing section boast a town ship with a larger percentage farmers being Farm Bureau member than in any other area. That town ship is Peninsula Township, Grand Traverse County, where over 75 per claim nearly 1,000 members this year

having the largest membership years, plans are already under war for a state wide campaign next spring A man lost a valuable dog and ad- Director Yaeger who is meeting will vertised in a newspaper, offering five organization directors of other State hundred dollars for it, but got no at the American Farm Bureau vention next week, expects to pleater 15,000 new Farm Bureau members to 1937. A meeting of all organization forces is to be held at Lansing late in December to make plans for nex year's activities. This will be full lowed by district and county meetings with county leaders to co-relate and plan county membership activities

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It's economical cooking, too. Because the amazing new "Economizer"

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FARM BUREAU SERVICES DEALERS

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GRAND BLANC-Co-op Elev. Co. GREENVILLE-Co.op Co. HART-Farm Bureau Store HARTFORD-Gleaners Co-op HASLETT-Farmers Elevator HASTINGS-Farm Bureau Elev. HEMLOCK—Co-op Elev. HUDSONVILLE—Co-op Elev. VERMONTVILLE—L. R. Tubbe

IMLAY CITY-Farm Bureau JACKSON-Farm Bureau Store LAPEER-Farm Bureau Store LAWRENCE-Co-op Company MEMPHIS-Co-op Company OWOSSO-Kings Service THREE RIVERS-Reynolds Store

file at the Michigan State Library. Accounts of Michigan's admission to statehood, a complete history of the

Civil War-in fact any story of na-

can be found somewhere in the row

upon row of bound volumes of Mich-

Lives in Newspaper Files Any event worthy of space in the daily and weekly press of Michigan during the past century can be read in the columns of the newspapers on

Century of State History

Farm Bureau Platform for 1937

Resolutions Adopted at the 19th Annual Meeting

AT THE MICHIGAN STATE COLLEGE, NOV. 12-13, 1936

ORGANIZATION POLICIES Farm Bureau Membership

Realizing the importance of a strong, service activities, we reaffirm the pol- Federal Act. icy of the Farm Bureau in maintaining farm families. We encourage the officers and personnel of all branches of with which our nation is blessed will pose the importation of such agriculassociations to develop the most mili- others. In order that competition may accept lower prices for our products. tant program possible for adding new be most effective, the existing regulanames to the roll and increasing in tions and prohibitions, which tend to reciprocal trade agreements be promnames to the roll and increasing in tions and prohibitions, which tend to ulgated without open public hearings ment to school districts to create reaspect of the membership increase transport costs, should be in advance, and ratification, by the strength of the organization. It is eliminated to that degree which pronecessary that the Farm Bureau pro- tects public welfare and public safety gram for the advancement of agricul- only. Transport costs can be lessened ture progress in a still larger measure better by reducing rather than by in- We heartly commend Senator Ar- local financing of such expenses in than in the past and that the gains in creasing regulations and restrictions. thur H. Vandenberg and Congressmen rural areas under the 15 mill amendeo-operative effort and national and state recognition be continued. For this an increased number of farm fam- than three cents per pound on all im- domestic sugar producers by setting Federal governments should bear part ilies, actively participating in the Farm ported animal, vegetable or nut oils quotas upon sugar production in our or all new building costs, and if so, by Bureau program is important.

Minute Men

We recommend the work of the Farm Bureau Minute Men who have co-operated so generously in supporting our State and National legislative programs. We favor the expansion of this group so that more farmers may participate directly in carrying forward our program.

Junior Farm Bureau

We believe that the rural youth department as supervised by Mr. tropical starches by act of Congress. same as men and that war shall not Hennink is of immeasurable value to the work be further extended.

Canning Factories

that the idea of putting a finished ing developed. product on the market is a sound one. finished product.

NATIONAL AFFAIRS Soils Conservation Act

We regard the Soils Conservation their products in their own markets. Act as the logical successor of A.A.A. to which we pledged our support one year ago. We direct particular attention to the part of the Act which provides for Federal-State co-operation, and we urge that a Soils Conservation Act for Michigan be enacted by our State Legislation at the earliest possible moment.

We believe that the importance of this proposed State Act to Michigan stitute sold in Michigan. of Michigan agriculture. We recom- of the United States. mend a state policy that will encourgeneral farming interests.

if the state complies with the Federal of officers and employees in all farm compensate districts which are now the law, but for which no financial fore final sale. Plan, the administrative agency shall credit agencies. be a farmer board working in con- The present interest rate of 31/2% dent pupils than the actual cost of that our officers take the proper steps Michigan State College and Extension tional farm loan associations should taxpayers of receiving districts will the present funds for township road efforts by county Farm Bureaus to se-

We stand ready to co-operate with expiration.

active membership as the foundation servation Act that will be in harmony was made. for all our business, legislative and with the spirit and provision of the American Market to American Farmer State aid.

> Transportation We believe that competition among

Federal Excise Taxes

to prevent sale of domestic starches. reducing the foreign importations. These imported products are privileged, at present, to enter our markets duty free by the reciprocity agreements with the Netherlands and Bra. duly elected Representatives in Conzil. An excise tax of at least 21/2 gress that they provide an adequate

the Farm Bureau and recommend that should have levied upon them, when ments abroad. imported, sufficient excise taxes to prevent the domestic market being We recommend the Michigan State supplied from abroad, in whole or in Farm Bureau for the operation of the part, and to permit of domestic egg-

We also believe that farmers will be of the United States in some instances State. We are convinced that Michin position to bargain with consumers duty free, carry a constant threat to igan State College will not be able to co-operatives if they can offer the the prosperity of fruit growers within provide the services to farmers and ties of our own fruit farmers to sell

Butter-Butter Substitutes

We also endorse and support the program of the Mid-West Producers' Creameries, Inc., which includes the following proposals:

1. A butter standard for Michigan of 80% fat, to correspond with the Federal butter law. 2. A 5 cent tax on all butter sub-

agriculture is so great that it should All food stuffs which enter this coun-

not be considered on a partisan basis try under Trade Agreements should but should represent the best thought comply with the sanitary regulations

Rural Credits

age the broadening of soil building The farmer borrowers in national continuation of the policy of his prepractices with the same consideration farm loan associations, in production decessor, Dr. Paul Voelker. We progiven to the fruit grower and dairy- credit associations, and in co-operative pose the following changes in the vide for snow removal and for the care men and like producers as given to marketing and purchasing associations Thatcher-Saur Act which we consider should have more control of policy highly satisfactory as a whole: We also recommend that when and making, administration, and election

junction and co-operation with the on regular loans secured through na- caring for these children so that Michigan State Farm Bureau of all the Governor-Elect, the Honorable be continued after its present date of suffer no loss from this use of their maintenance will not be unduly recure the establishment of county-

The cost of loans in production cred- 2. We favor the payment of tuiit associations should be lowered by tion for seventh and eighth grade the governor-elect and with other farm making second and subsequent loans pupils attending school outside their radio by educational agencies to pro- test for Bangs Disease and Mastitis the middle of the nineteenth century organizations in planning and pressing to a borrower on the credit rating own district on the same basis as high mote the consumption of farm prod-under Federal supervision. for the passage of a State Soils Con- established for him when the first loan school students. This will add practucts by pointing out the benefits to

We recommend that the Michigan aid on the basis of school enrollments

and fats, and on their derivatives. insular possessions, and by similarly what plan. Tropical starches are entering the limiting the importation of sugar from United States in quantities sufficient foreign countries. We urge the furto depress prices on domestic starches ther encouragement of the sugar beet of directors of Michigan State Farm and on the crops from which extract- industry by progressively increasing Bureau in opposing constitutional ed; and sufficient, in some instances, the domestic sugar quota and further amendment proposals numbers 3 and

National Defense

Resolved, that we demand of our cents per pound should be imposed on national defense, conscript wealth the Frozen and dried egg products be declared to protect private invest-

STATE AFFAIRS

Michigan State Collège The time has arrived for the State fruit canning factories. We believe freezing and egg-drying industries be- of Michigan to resume the leadership in the development of higher educa-Tropical fruits, entering the markets tion which has characterized this our nation. Adequate excise taxes on the sons and daughters of farmers imports of such fruits should be im- which it has provided and ought to posed so as to equalize the opportuni- provide unless it receives more liberal financial assistance from the State in the future. The record shows that this institution is now carrying an en- employees into Michigan. Likewise, rollment that is double the enrollment we commend Governor-elect Frank of four years ago, yet its appropria- Murphy upon his hearty endorsement tions average 30 per cent less than of this legislation. We urge the Legisurge that this institution be supported the Michigan Merit System Association in the future on a basis that will at with those amendments as are clearly least equal the amount-per-student that for the purpose of strengthening the was provided before the depression.

> Education commend Superintendent of Public Instruction, Eugene Elliott, upon the hearty co-operation he has given effort to improve the public schools

school plant and personnel.

3. We favor the payment of State

State Farm Bureau petition the Amerof the previous year rather than as of Council for the splendid work which proposed by the Farm Bureau in July two years previous, as at present,

extravagance.

onable reserve funds to meet the costs of necessary new buildings. We regard this as the only possible plan for Woodruff and Crawford upon their ment. We also propose careful study We favor an excise tax of not less leadership in the fight to protect all to determine whether the State or

Equitable Taxation

4 at the recent general election. We also call attention to the fact that incomes, and intangible personal property are still largely tax free and we suggest that future movements toward tax reform be directed more particularly toward a more equitable distribution of the burden.

Initiated Constitutional Amendments

The recent election has re-empha sized the need of reasonable safeguards to protect the public against the recurring threat of ill advised Constitutional amendment proposals initiated by petition. We do not favor curbing the right of initiation, but we do believe that no such proposal should be placed on the ballot until it has had study by the Legislature.

Civil Service

We commend Governor Frank D. Fitzgerald for assuming leadership in the movement to introduce Civil Service and the Merit System for public they did in 1930 and prior years. We lature to pass the bill submitted by

Township Roads

After a 5 year trial the McNitt Township Road Law, originally sponsored by the Michigan State Farm Bureau has lived up fully to our prediction as the Michigan State Farm Bureau in its to its value. The time has now ar rived when additional funds are reof our State. His policy in that is a quired to maintain it in operation on tional \$4,000,000 is necessary to pro-1. We believe the State should a county burden in the sixth year of tampering with graded packages be industry. receiving less in tuition for non-resi- provision has been made. We urge duced.

We favor the additional use of the tically nothing to the total amount of health ensuing from proper food and We commend the Michigan State clothing.

Highway Safety

Truck Licenses

Grain and Bean Marketing

We urge the co-operative market. Whereas all citizens and residents velop and sponsor a legislative pro- to equal services and rights and gram for the grain and bean industry Whereas all the rural roads are pa that will protect the farmer on his troled and maintained by the county stored grain and beans, that will as and state highway departments and sure the farmer of daily market quota- road commissions and tions representative of their true Whereas it is assumed that rural value, that will bring to Michigan mail carriers deliver mail to all rural recognition as a shipper of only high residents and quality beans, and that, further, the Whereas there is a surprising numthese ends.

Corn Borer and Weed Control

We again direct attention to the far away to walk, need of further education and effort for the control of the corn borer and attention to this need.

Industrial Crops We favor the early development at Michigan State College of research projects to discover new industrial uses for farm crops that can be grown in this State. We regard this as one of the most promising methods of re-

W.P.A.—Seasonal Farm Help

It is becoming increasingly difficult or farmers to obtain satisfactory seaonal labor, even in communities where large number of workers are still drawing relief wages. We commend the W.P.A. administration of Michigan ipon its sincere efforts to assist in overcoming this difficulty, but we believe the time has arrived for stern action as to those persons who refuse to give honest service for their pay. either when working on public projects or when on seasonal farm jobs.

Graded Farm Produce

We urge increased effort to protect of the streets and alleys outside in the consuming public against all forms sideration for the rights and welfare corporated places which will become of evasion of grading laws and against of Michigan's extensive agricultural

County Abstract Offices

owned abstract offices.

Bangs Disease, Mastitis We favor a compulsory state-wide tional, state or local importance since

Rural Electrification

Farm Bureau for the progress that has been made in rural electrification We commend the State Safety under the Michigan plan, which was has been done during the past year of 1935 and placed in effect by the 4. We favor a simplified and more in educating the public upon the need public utilities commission and Michicers and personnel of all branches of with which our nation is blessed with the State Farm Bureau, the County be most effective in securing reason of our American market or cause us to the State Farm Bureau, the County be most enective in securing reason of our American market or cause us to for funds spent fo pupils, with proper safeguards against be given special emphasis in rural farms have been electrified under the Michigan and ask the State Farm plan. Two principal power companies 5. We favor statutory encourage Bureau to assume leadership in this have set up schedules to bring electricity to 52,500 farms in 1936 and State Republican, the Marshall States-1937 under the Michigan plan, where-We favor offering private truck own- by the companies build the lines at ers the option of buying quarterly their own expense, and the farm cusweight tax stickers along with their tomers guarantee a reasonable month license plates so that farmers and ly consumption of electricity. We others who make seasonal use of recommend that the State Farm Burthese vehicles will be more fairly eau continue its program for rural electrification.

ing interests in grain and beans to de- of the State of Michigan are entitled

have it left off down the road some

Be It Resolved that the Michigan Farm Bureau now in convention, take noxious weeds, particularly in the cognizance of this incomplete, unfair eastern counties. We call upon Mich- and inadequate service and respectigan State College and the State De-fully demand that such extensions and partment of Agriculture to give added additions be made to the rural mail routes of Michigan so that each and every rural resident may have his mail delivered regularly to his near est road gate.

Predatory Animal Control

lieving the danger of over-production threatening the very existence of the of foodstuffs and other crops now he sheep industry of the Upper Peningame animals such as deer and part animals

Farmer Members of State Conservation Commission

And, whereas, any proper developnent of the State's conservation reurces must be made with due con

We favor active support by the we respectfully suggest and urge that vation Commission.

Rural Mail Delivery

Michigan State Farm Bureau give its ber of farmers who do not have their full support to the accomplishment of mail delivered to their front gates, but where, possibly out of sight and too

Predatory animals such as wolves, coyotes, bears, foxes and bobcats, and such birds as hawks and owls, are sula and a large-portion of the north ern part of the Lower Peninsula and are also a serious menace to valuable ridge. We therefore urge upon the Governor-Elect, the State Conservation Commission and the 1937 session of the Legislature that steps be taken to give adequate control of predatory

Whereas, the interests of conser-

vation and agriculture are closely allied

Now, therefore, Be It Resolved by the Michigan State Farm Bureau that ers as members of the State Conser-

igan newspapers. Press accounts of the Civil War appear in no less than eight-newspapers among the stacks of bound volumes in the State Library, some of them covering the entire period of hostilities between the states. The papers in which the Civil War stories may be found include the Detroit Daily Advertiser, the Detroit Daily Tribune, the Detroit Free Press, the Eaton County Republican (Charlotte), the Lansing man and the Niles Republican.



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a number of little know hows. Keeping Oyster Shell before the flock all the time is one of them-

to nothing. Pilot Brand is the accepted standard of qual-

easy to do and costs next



To Advise Co-ops on State, Federal Taxes

Federal and state taxes on corporations as they affect the corporate structure and operating practices of the co-operative, and possible effects upon the Michigan grain and bean industry of the proposed state regulatory legislative program of the Michigan Elevator Exchange and its cooperative members opens the series of December co-operative conferences to be held throughout the lower half of Michigan during December, announced A. B. Love, Marketing Specialist of the Michigan State College, today.

Meeting places for the convenience of co-operative managers and directors are as follows:

Dec. 8 Cass City Council Room, at 1:00 p. m. Dec. 9 Saginaw Court House at what have you at New Orleans.

1:00 p. m. reau, Lansing, Mich., at 1:00 p. m.

Rapids, Mich., at 1:00 p. m.

at 1:00 p. m.

Ride to

and New England are on their way to best ways is to start them from near the matter to BOTTLE and that he re-California and the Farm Bureau con-

the dry land frogs of Arizona, and been sighted dead ahead.

Dec. 15 Y. M. C. A. Building, Grand assistant, and with equal apologies to gathered round him. Eddie Cantor, acts as BEETLE or

himself generally useful.

the folks in Michigan at this time? rights. A straight left is always vision, Jeddo, Michigan. something to behold , . . One of the McGINNESS-I suggest we assign fellow's nose.

During the first night the train started across the Mississippi river. gan folks . 5 . 52 of them bound for Presently BEETLE came from the to see California, the Boulder Dam, front end to announce that land had are the only man on board having teeth, more noise.

"And that's not all," said BEETLE. At Chicago, the Michigan party "There's a delegation from up for- of harmonics and the effects of con-Dec. 10 Michigan State Farm Bu- organized for the trip. Jack Yaeger, ward now on the way to see Secretary

PARKURKARKAS. Ben Hennink, his tion headed by Herman Walt of Reese

"Your Honor Judge . . . Ulp! er, What I mean to say," said or other hindrances to navigation. Spokesman Walt, "on the other side PARKURKARKUS-Order John of the river we'll concede you're the Houk of Ludington to purchase a set head man and what you say goes, But of oars in Denver in case we should from here on it's different. We're have a flood. headed into unknown adventures. It's "Mr. Parkurkarkus, W. R. Kirk of A young lawyer from the North NESS. Now, do you submit peace- fast served in his berth? Mississippi, or do we use force?"

McGINNESS-"Ulp!" BEETLE-A telegram from Ed. PARKURKARKUS-Thank you, Farmers' mortgage interest rate O'Connor at Jeddo.

. Is this something? TELEGRAM MICHIGAN CALIFORNIA TOUR

BOTTLE and was ordered to make tour to Nashville, Tennessee, at Max- What a volume of basso profundo he Hell House I captured bedbug size of must have! At Chicago Mrs, Wagar boarded the potato bug. Showed to Editor Ungren. BEETLE Yes, Parkurkarkus, and PARKURKARKAS-Mrs. Wagar, do sult to my scientific interest. Investication of science to this problem livered at Pasadena. However, I want did. May crush or flatten specimen, erate together, we have noise. We t understood that I'm in favor of Pack carefully. Please send attested have precisely such a problem here. the orthodox system of leading with measurements of same separately. Ed. MR. LOHMAN-Changing the shape your left and following up with your O'Connor Industries, Entomology Di- of the fan stops the noise. All we

ply collect.

has been something terrific. As you gear pinion governs the noise. More musical training and an understanding cussion, will you and Andrew Lohman of Hamilton and Martin Schwass soft low C. of Scottville try to do something about

BEETLE-Lookout up ahead reports Denver, Colorado, coming up . and no signs of high water, fog,

every man for himself, and the devil Fairgrove, second night watch in the sought to locate in the South. He take the hindmost. To protect you forward car, reporting for a member wrote to friend in Alabama, asking from yourself and to protect our- of the crew. W. E. Day of Armada him what the prospect seemed to be in selves, we're demoting you to the asks that since he has worked hard the city for "an honest young lawyer ranks. From here on, to save you on the farm for 40 years before taking and Republican." and ourselves from embarrassment, this trip, can be not be moved up next In reply the friend wrote: "If you you're to be known only as McGIN- to the diner and also have his break- are an honest lawyer, you will have

fully, until we again return to the BEETLE-Request noted and filed a Republican, the game laws will profor prompt attention the day after tect you." New Year's.

Beetle, for your plan to reclassify the has been reduced 180 millions an-PARKURKARKAS-Let's have it! berth arrangements for our snoring nually since 1930. friends so that they will be grouped The new deer hunters' license tag to snore in chords . . . Beautiful! I tried out for the first time in Michsee you have J. N. Chapman of Mon- igan this fall, has proved generally Two years ago on Farm Bureau tague listed as the Grand Diapasion. satisfactory.

He accused me of nature faking. In- what pride we can take in our appliyou have any statement to make for gation shows insects such size entire- You know, Parkurkarkus, the Amerily possible under perfect conditions. can Society of Mechanical Engineers, MRS. WAGAR-No . . . I have here Seeking another specimen as proof. has learned that a noiseless motor and in my hand my speech on women's Look before you slap. Don't use a noiseless fan may have identical rights in the Farm Bureau, to be destandard round pill box to carry as I vibration points so that when they op-

> have to do is change the shape of this BEETLE-Likewise, the moan in the rear axle has broadcasting sta-PARKURKARKUS-Beetle, the tions in the floor and the springs and complaint about last night's snoring frame, but the number of teeth in the

MR. SCHWASS-We have a case that is comparable. I think if we knock out two teeth, he'll snore in a

Chester Shirkey saw Boulder Dam with his coat buttoned up to his ears. Cold? Yes. It was also a golden opportunity for Chet to get a Chinese laundryman to launder the shirt and the other shirt packed at Memphis,

Parkurkarkus and Beetle look forward to 15 more days like this.

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News) -Ten Pullman cars, fairly bust-

director of organization and in charge Brody. Dec. 14 Dowagiac Farmers Co-op- of the party, donned the robes of his "What's this . . . mutiny?" barked erative Association, Dowagiae, Mich., office, including a hatband lettered the secretary as an unsmiling delega-

Las Vegas, New Mexico-(ABOARD FARM BUREAU TRAIN TO CALI-FORNIA-special to Michigan Farm ing with curiosity, and Farm Bureau members from Michigan, New York

There are two Pullmans of Mich-

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Farm Fire Policy . . . Covers dwellings, barns, other buildings, live stock, crops harvested and on the farm, and other property. The five year farm policy is payable in annual installments. We have a complete fire insurance service for farm, village, and city properties. See your State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance agent.

State Farm Fire Insurance Co.

72 FARM BUREAU FOLKS ON WAY TO CALIFORNIA MEET

Michigan, New York and New England Groups Travel Together

When the American Farm Bureau Federation's annual convention opens at Pasadena, Cal., Dec. 8, one of the largest state delegations present will be from Michigan.

Seventy-two Michigan members started for the convention on December 2. Fifty-one of that number are participating in a 6,000 mile railroad tour arranged by the Michigan State Farm Bureau. The tour will bring those participating not only to the convention, but to many points of scenic interest throughout the west and southwest, and the Mississippi valley from New Orleans north. Others in the delegation are driving.

At Chicago, the Michigan delegation joined a large party of Farm Bureau people from New York state and New England, to make up a Farm Bureau train of Pullmans and diners for the west. In this all-expense tour, the transportation, meals on the diner, Pullman berth, and side trips to points of interest, are provided. From December 2 until their return to Chicago December 19th, members of the party are "sitting on top of the world" and with nothing to worry about.

Points of interest to be visited by the railroad tour include: Colorado Springs and the Royal Gorge, Salt Lake City, San Francisco, the Grand Canyon, Catalina Island, Boulder Dam, Galveston, Houston, and New Orleans.

The Michigan group is led by President J. J. Jakway, Vice President Clarence J. Reid, Clark L. Brody, executive secretary, and Mrs. Edith M. Wagar, chairman of the Home and

Community committee.	
The Michigan Delega	tion
Mr. & Mrs. Reid Rider	Almont
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Mr. & Mrs. Earl McCarthy Herman Walt	Port Huron
Martin Johnson	Saginaw
Mr. & Mrs. Martin Schwass	Scottville
Miss Ruth Kerr	Shelby
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The barracks, first of its kind to be erected on the campus, is of temporary construction and was authorized by the State Board of Agriculture

tural engineering, practical floricul- installation and uses of electric fence home economics. A four-weeks short Michigan State College at East Lancourse in commercial fruit production sing. also starts Jan. 4.

school education is essential.

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MICHIGAN SEPTIC TANK SIPHON and bell as recommended by State College Agr'l Engineering dep't. Build your own septic tank and sewage system. Install when tank is built. Installation and operation simple. Discharges automatically. Have been sold 16 years. All in daily use and giving satisfaction. Instructions with each siphon. Price, delivered, \$7.21 which includes sales tax. Farm Bureau Supply Store, 728 E Shiawassee St., Lansing. (3-4-tf-60b)

Getting Ready to Go to California with the Farm Bureau



Clarence and Mrs. C. J. Reid showing William a map of the country they will see en route to California. Will that young gentleman have stories to bug the kids' eyes out when he gets home?

Chester Shirkey packing his shirt and his other shirt for the 19 day journey to California, New Orleans and return. Mrs. Shirkey: "You'll never make it."



Tenny urges that all wishing to enroll for the winter courses should Tells Why State College for next year. The present annual ap-Army Style Barracks reservation for accommodation in the For Short Course Men short course barracks. Cost of room-Room accommodations for approx- The building is centrally located on priation from the 1937 state legisla- the net college appropriation when imately 100 short course men stud- the campus and only a short distance ture, have been made public by Tohn making comparisons with the U. of M. ents at Michigan State College are from dining facilities in a nearly campus dormitory. This boarding army style barracks being constructed club is a co-operative student ar-

Electric Fence

Many Michigan farmers are using ed by the State Board of Agriculture to aid in solving the serious housing electric fence. The chief point of to 4,005 last year, and 4,627 this year, their minds never go crazy. shortage on the campus and in the popularity appears to be the low cost and ease with which temporary fences Eight-weeks short courses, to start may be erected for pasture rotation.

Jan. 4, are those in dairy producOthers find it stops fence jumping tion, dairy manufacturing which in- and crowding and that it keeps hogs cludes cheese making, market milk, from rooting under wire fences. Adand butter making, poultry, agriculture, golf course management, for- may be obtained by writing to the estry and wild life management, and Agricultural Engineering Department,

These courses are open without ex- Frightened by hunters four deer aminations to men and women more ran into a bog near Big Star lake and than 16 years old, Director R. W. Ten- were sinking into the coze when concourses, however, a good common servation officers arrived. Two were saved.

ALL MAPLE SYRUP MAKING AND MARKETING SUPPLIES, including "Old Reliable" Feit Filter Bag for cleansing. Three color labels, thermometers, hydrometers, buckets, flat bottom pans, than and glass containers, "KING EVAPORATORS", sap storage tanks, sugaring off rigs, sugar moulds, etc. For catalog and prices write Sugar Bush Supply Company, Display room in Farm Bureau Bldg., 728 East Shiawassee St., Lansing.

FARM MACHINERY

WINDMILL, MAUD-S, IN GOOD CON-dition. Inquire Wayne Otis farm, Mason R-4. Mich. 2½ miles south of Okemos on Mason Road. (12-5-19-11)

FARM WORK WANTED

WANTED—BOARD IN COUNTRY with elderly folks having no children or dogs. Elmer Fisher, 312½ Bridge St., Grand Rapids, Mich. (12-5-1t) MARRIED MAN WANTS FARM WORK

or would rent furnished farm. Has fou children. Now doing farm work. Walte Jones, Ovid, R-2, Mich. (12-5-1t WANTED-WORK ON FARM BY year if possible by man, 60, always worked on farm, 4½ years one place. Josiah Barnum, 326 W. Ionia St., Lansing, Michigan

ment at M. S. C. is approximately half its appropriation. that of the university.

Hannah observed that college en-

apply now, and at the same time make Asks for More Funds propriation is \$1,386,000, but \$360,000 of that is spent on the agricultural ex-Facts bolstering Michigan State col- periment station which is apart from ing quarters will be \$1 per week. lege's request for an increase appro- college activities. Hannah considered

on the campus. First use of the building will start Jan. 4 when the winter be purchased for \$4.20.

Club is a co-operative student are target and the building institution is about one-quarter of that for the University of Michigan. The college seeks a light of the building institution is about one-quarter of that for the University of Michigan. The college seeks a light of the building institution is about one-quarter of that for the University of Michigan. igan at Ann Arbor, while the enroll- half million dollar annual increase in

> Uncle Ab says he endorses the old rollment had risen from 3,323 in 1934. Scotch proverb that those who change

Market Information



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PURCHASING The Michigan Live Stock Exchange through its national connections can furnish at cost plus a reasonable handling charge, all grades of feeding lambs, cattle, and calves. At our daily market at Battle Creek a large assortment is kept on hand at all times. 5% FINANCING Money at 5% is available for the feeding operations of where they may purchase their feeders who have feed, regardless of where they may purchase their feeders.

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Michigan Live Stock Exchange

Secretary's Office, Hudson, Mich. Terminal Markets Detroit, & Producers Co-op at Buffalo, N. Y.

Hears Wallace and Others on **Future National Farm Policy**

Farm Program Under Consideration

By CLARK L. BRODY

the annual meeting of the Association of Land Grant Colleges at Houston, Texas, Nov. 16-18, as a representative of the Michigan State Board of Agri-

The Michigan delegation included President Shaw, Dean Anthony, Di-Smith, and Director R. J. Baldwin of ity and his sympathetic attitude tothe Michigan State College.

The program of the three day conference was a "Land Use". High lights of the program were addresses by Secretary of Agriculture Wallace, and Dr. Tolley, head of the Soil Conservation Act administration. Secretary Wallace made these significant statements:

Wallace on the Future

"A little while back the agricultural problem with which we had to grapple was foremost an emergency problem. I believe that now we must be taking stock of programs addressed to the longer-time situation.

"Now it appears that we may be standing up on the threshold of better times, perhaps of something like a new era. In this new era, our permanent policy with respect to agriculture, as I see it, must shape itself to give the farmer his fair share of prosperity, having due regard to the longtime interests of the national community as a whole. We can no longer stand for it. The question is, as we pass from emergency to longer-time considerations, how far shall public of the past few years. policy go in one direction, how far in

Emergency Past; Long Time who do not yet give full weight to the forces of change in this country.

I felt his remarks were particularly timely when he cautioned the college people not to lose sight of the farm folks who have not yet adopted scien-It was my good fortune to attend tific or progressive methods or yet been able to profit by the teachings of agricultural colleges.

A Talk With Mr. Wallace

A short talk with Secretary Wallace on the train between St. Louis and Houston and at the dinner given in his honor could not help but imrector Gardner, Dean Dye, Miss Edna Press one with Mr. Wallace's sincer-



HENRY A. WALLACE

ward the problems of farm people. have an exploited agriculture because From this short conversation and his the college and experiment station in the long run that means national addresses it was evident that he is people during this three-day national ruin. Neither can we have a crudely now looking at the work of our nation- session was highly pleasing to me as over-subsidized agriculture because al agricultural department much more a Farm Bureau officer. Farmers could in the long run the people will not from the standpoint of permanent and not have shown a more interested and long-range planning than has been constructive attack on the problems of the case during the emergency period agriculture. Truly, our land grant col-

ularly the importance of discharging tion for the farmer and his business, "We shall be hearing-as we have the new duties that are coming to the As I viewed from the car window already heard-voices from the right colleges and extension work as a re- the wind swept and eroded areas of and voices from the left. Canvassing sult of developments in recent years. Oklahoma and Kansas, I thought how the record of the last 25 years I am He referred particularly to college ac- fortunate it is that attention is being inclined to think, on the whole, that tivities in relation to soil conservation, given to soil conservation and the the greatest hindrances to progress in farm tenancy and other lines of work tenancy question. This awakening ur farm policies have come from those resulting from the changing times. has come none too soon.

President Edward O'Neal was a welcome visitor at this meeting and addressed the gathering on the opportunities now before the college and extension people. It was interesting to note the welcome which our national Farm Bureau president was given by the land grant colleges. The long record of the Farm Bureau, particularly under the leadership of Mr. O'Neal, in support of legislation for land grant colleges is greatly appreciated by the agricultural college peo-

President O'Neal There

Farm Family Comes First

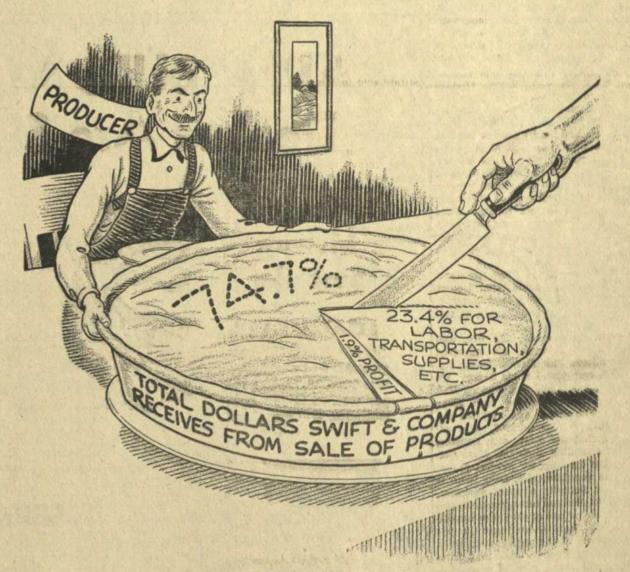
I was greatly impressed with the intensely human aspect of the meeting throughout. The emphasis placed upon the proper use of the soil from the standpoint of generations to come and the serious consideration given to policies that will improve farm tenancy conditions indicated that thinking men and women are giving intelligent attention to the farm family as well as to the sciences underlying the indus-

The many modern trends emphasized at this meeting reminded me of the importance of the Farm Bureau likewise keeping abreast of the times and co-operating with and sustaining these forces to uphold our nation and our agriculture.

Possibly with these rapid changes continually going on, it is still appropriate to be guided by the old saying, Be not the first by whom the new is tried; not yet the last to lay the old aside." However, I believe that we must also avoid "attempting the Future's portal with the Past's bloodrusted key.'

The generally sympathetic attitude toward farmers' problems shown by leges and their personnel constitute Dr. Tolley's address stressed partic- a great sustaining power and protec-

HOW MUCH TO PRODUCERS?



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

THE West produces more meat animals, and dairy and poultry products than it consumes; 1 the East consumes more meats, butter, cheese, poultry, and eggs than it produces. How to bring together producers and consumers that average hundreds of miles apart is one of the nation's biggest economic problems.

Swift & Company sells meats, butter, eggs, poultry, cheese, hides, glands, sheep skins, and dozens of other products and by-products. The money that Swift receives for all of its products is designated as its wholesale food and by-products dollar. During 1935, this dollar was paid out as follows:

74.7 cents went to producers of livestock and other agricultural products

10.9 " went for Labor (including wages and salaries)

3.2 " went for Transportation

" went for Interest .3 4.3 " went for Supplies

4.7 " went for Rents, Taxes, Refrigeration, Insurance, Pensions, Traveling, Telephone, Telegraph, Stationery, Depreciation and other

Balance remaining with Swift & Company: Net Earnings

100 cents Only by continually improving its manufacturing and distributive methods can the company return to producers so large a share of the wholesale food and by-products dollar.

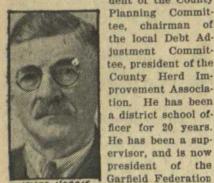
Swift & Company

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President of County Farm Bureaus

If you want things done, get a busy man to do them. That certainly is true in the case of Mr. James Harris, president of the Northwest Michigan Farm Bureau, made up of the counties of Grand Traverse, Leelanau and Benzie. Aside from operating an 80 acre dairy farm and distributing Jersey milk in the city of Traverse, Jim is a leader in the community and heads nearly a dozen organizations.

He is president of the local farmer's co-operative, now under management contract with the Michigan State Farm Bureau. He is president of the Production Credit Association, president of the County



justment Committee, president of the County Herd Improvement Association. He has been a district school officer for 20 years. He has been a supervisor, and is now president of the

Garfield Federation of Farmers Clubs and heads the local Jersey Breeders' Association.

His boosting for Jersey cattle and Jersey milk causes Traverse City folk to call Jim "The Jersey Man". Every morning Jim delivers Jersey milk along the city route. Almost every day he spends his noon hour on the business of some organization getting back home in the afternoon to help his two sons, William and Richard, and his son-in-law, Mr. Korb, with the farm

Way back in the late nineteens, Jim was one of a group of County Farm Bureau leaders who met in Detroit to discuss the formation of a State Farm Bureau by which the county organizations might join their resources. As Jim puts it:

"We didn't know then just what our program would be or what might be accomplished but we did believe in the co-operative way and realized that if the farmer were to make progress it would be through the strength of a State organization working with other State farmer organizations."

Born in England, Jim came to the United States from London when 20 years old. He has visited his home land twice, the last time in 1911. He found it all changed this last time, his boyhood friends scattered, and he felt himself a stranger in the land of his birth. Even his relations could not be found.

Some of the co-operative spirit of the old country (60 percent of business in England is done through coops) must have been instilled in Jim's blood. He had hardly started farming when he began to look about for a chance to participate in some co-operative move. That's how he came to be active in those early county Farm Bureaus and was one of the early membership solicitors for the State organization. Today heads his county Farm Bureau group. He's also a member of the Grange and interested in other organized groups.

"The organizations themselves aren't so important," opines Jim, "except as they lead the way to a co-operative life with the substitution of service for profit."

That's Jim's creed, his life, and that's why, knowing his sincerity, folks endorse Jim Harris' leadership.

Jim is very proud of his family. He will show you a gold medal which Mrs. Harris won for making high score butter. The medal was awarded her by Governor Bliss in 1903, He will tell you that the oldest son, Ransom, is now attending Michigan State College after teaching for several years; that one daughter, Mrs. Lucy Zohl, is living in Detroit; another daughter, Mrs. Edna Jackson has a husband who is engineer on one of the large freighters on the Great Lakes; that Charles is supervisor of the resettlement work in Leelanau County, and that if it were not for the help of sons, Bill and Dick, and daughters Martha and Fannie (Mrs. Korb) at home, the business of getting the work done would be out of the question.

'They're a fine family," says Jim. Dick, the youngest, is just 19."

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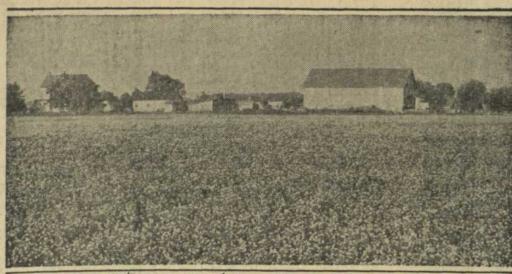
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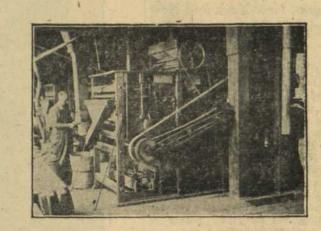
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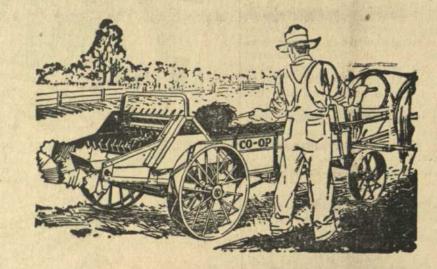
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