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**Behind** 

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SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 1938

### Michigan on Nat'l Farm & Home Hour, April 9 Early Markets From WKAR

**Organization** Director with J. F. Yaeger,

ONE IN SIX

County Agricultural Agent Benton of Tuscola County estimates that only one out of six farmers in that county are members of any farmer organization.

When a cow in the herd doesn't carry her share of the load, we hurry her to the butchers. What's going to be- riculture Henry A. Wallace. This apcome of the farmer who isn't carrying proval of the loan climaxed 4 weeks his share of the load in the battle of of hard work at Washington by C. J. equality for agriculture?

zation about some of the problems to be equality for agriculture, he should quested the loan. have a chance to join.

COWS

Mixing into the affairs of other families is always risky business even when it happens to be a cow's family. marketing of their 1938 clip, funds Claude Hoffman of Barry county found will be available to finance 1937 wool



J.F. YAEGER To make it worse, the folks at the hospital decided that an appendicitis oper-

Barry County Farm Bureau. MUSIC

I've heard a lot of high school musical organizations in my life, but one of the best high school bands I've ever heard is the Pigeon high school organization. In existence only one year, this small band has much to feel proud of. Both the students and Director William Ladd are to be complimented on their progress in that short space of time.

#### CO-OPERATIVES

This is taken from an address before the Third Annual Co-operative Man-agement Conference at Michigan State College, March 22, by H. H. Hulbert. Co-operative Division of Farm Credit Administration, Wash-ington, D. C.

### **U.S. WOOL LOAN TO AID GROWERS** WITH '37-38 CLIPS Michigan Pool Taking Wool;

Pays Advance; Will Help Get Loans

By STANLEY M. POWELL Michigan Wool Marketing Ass'n A \$50,000,000 loan to wool growers on their 1937 and 1938 wool clips has been made available by the Commodity Credit Corporation, according to

an announcement by Secretary of Ag-Fawcett, general manager, and other But first let's tell this farmer who officers of the National Wool Marketis not a member of any farmer organi- ing Corporation. Also, by representatives of the National Wool Growers that need solving. If there ever is Association. These organizations re-

> This money will be available to growers in accordance with the provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938. While intended particularly to aid growers in the

that out to his sorin which they still have an interest. row when he tried Loans will be available to all proto make a cow in ducers, including producer-owned his herd permit her pools, under approved regulations. calf to nurse. The The loans on the main classes of wool unappreciative will be made at 15 to 22c a pound, mother let drive grease basis Boston, and are expected with her hind leg to average approximately 171/2 to 18c and broke one of per grease pound to producers. Loans Mr. Hoffman's legs. will be available on wools stored in That put him in eastern warehouses and probably a the hospital, a poor few warehouses in both the west and 39,853 BOYS south that can qualify as being able

season of the year. to place wool in a collateral position. Loan schedules, officials of the AND GIRLS IN ation was in order. Four days after mately 75% of the pre-war parity being admitted to the hospital, Mr. price of wool. The loan is not to be 4-H CLUBS Hoffman was without his appendix. regarded as a price-fixing loan, but a Mrs. Hoffman is president of the marketing loan designed to protect able conditions in the wool industry.

Wool Prices Too Low Charles Redd, president of the Naional Wool Marketing Corp., in commenting on the loan states, "There is

### **Wool Deliveries** Set New Mark

Deliveries of wool to the Pool for March, 1938, exceed any previous season since 1934. Seventy-two per cent more growers delivered consignments than for March, 1937, and over 110% greater than for 1935 or 1936. Wool is accumulated in carlot quantities at the warehouse at 728 E. Shiawassee Street, Lansing, and forwarded from there to the huge warehouses of the National Wool Marketing Corp-

oration at Boston.



The Michigan State Farm Bureau and its Junior Farm Bureau have accepted an invitation from the National Broadcasting Company and the American Farm Bureau Federation to take part in the National Farm and Home Hour program Saturday, April 9. The program will be broadcast from the Chicago studios, starting at 12:30 o'clock eastern time,

According to present plans the Michigan section of the radio hour will follow the general pattern of the Willow Valley Junior Farm Bureau program given each Saturday the past winter from State College station WKAR. Other features will be added, and the entire program stepped up to meet the requirements of the national program.

The Michigan Junior Farm Bureau cast will include Helen Shanahan and George Cox, left and right of microphone above and George Schleder of Ithaca, right foreground. Miss Shanahan resides near Mt. Pleasant, and Mr. Cox near Ithaca. The Junior Farm Bureau Orchestra from Gratiot county, Men's Quartet from Oceana county, and Girls' Trio from Bay county will take part. Musical support will be given by the Nat'l Broadcasting Company orchestra. Clark L. Brody, executive secretary of the Michigan State Farm Bureau, will present the Michigan Farm Bureau program to the radio audience.



All of the state's 83 counties are in- of their officers on the trip. The concluded in the club work. There were test was for points awarded for ac-46,329 projects in the 24th year of 4-H | complishment of Junior programs, etc., in Michigan. Of these there was an in the period Oct. 1, 1937 to April 1, 84.07 per cent completion, a slight 1938. Final results will be announced drop from 1936 when 84.6 per cent at the coming State Council meeting. completed what they started out to do. March 28 the contest standings were: A. G. Kettunen, state club leader issues the report from club head-

Newaygo

Livingston

Oceana Gratiot

Isabella

Lenawee

Muskegon

Barry St. Joe Ionia St. Clair Kalamazoo

Saginaw

Tuscola

Monro

Oakland

Points 2,419 1,344 1,180 1,023 1,120 1,118 1,010

ports. R. J. Coleman, director of the radio station, and A. B. Love, marketing specialist at Michigan State College, have been making plans for the earlier market reports. **BUSKIRK ASKS GRAPE MARKETING** AGREEMENT Says It's Time to Protect

> Crop from Sales of Off-grade

who listen to Michigan State College'

will provide new market information.

Listeners will hear the reports at 6:45

gathered daily through co-operation

with the Michigan Bean Shippers asso

clation, Saginaw. Grain information is

to go out early with the aid of the

Exchange will supply livestock re-

Carl Buskirk, veteran Farm Bureau try in dollar sales. Nearly one-fourth College March 23 for a federal market- stock," Mr. Beamer said. ing agreement for the grape industry. He cited the Benton Harbor fruit market as an illustration of the need for

fruit marketing agreements. Mr. Buskirk's remarks were made at the annual farm marketing conference of Michigan Co-operatives at the College last week. Porter Taylor, chief of the AAA commodities section, had said that five years of experience with marketing agreements indicates that farmers will solve the surplus problem for all crops through marketing agreements. Under such agreements farmers A Farm Platform For My may limit the offerings of No. 1 quality products, and prohibit the sale of culls, if a majority of the growers agree.

Mr. Taylor said that an amendment Thoughtful replies on the subject, to the AAA act, now before Congress, A Farm Platform for my Legislator," would make all farm commodities sub-

Men and members generally are think- grapes, Mr. Taylor heard marketing agreements urged for cherries, apples, Two letters quoted herewith are ex- peaches and other fruits.

amples of what our membership thinks farm legislator should stand for: No. 1

ganizations and ruin the vineyardists." "Never in the history of the country A tendency to decentralize govern- He alleged unregulated truckers pur- has there been so much high quality chase ungraded grapes direct from meat available to the consumer, and ment rather than centralize. Turn welfare back to local govern- farmers and depress prices on well at the lowest prices in months. These ment units, where it operates most graded offerings by selling their loads low prices available to consumers have economically, and gives each tax- in consuming markets at cut-rate forced live stock producers to take payer the opportunity of knowing prices. He charged "cash buyers on terrific losses. Feeders of choice qualwhere and how his dollar is spent. the Benton Harbor market gang up ity cattle, from which our choice beef ameral legis- growers and hammer prices," and then is derived, are losing from \$30 to \$50 lation would these sales "are broadcast over the na- per head. Lamb feeders are in the entation. The tion by radio." He declared the Ben- same boat. to metropol- ton Harbor market is not a farmers' "The decline in live stock prices in in govern- market, but strictly a buyers' market, recent months," said Mr. Beamer, "has would soon where growers ruin their own busi- been the sharpest on record, amountness. ing to 30 to 50% in the last 150 days He suggested the industry take a on the better grades of cattle. Cattle arine to proleaf from the potato producers' book that were \$17 in September are selling ryman. reed control. and seek a federal marketing agree- at \$8.50 to \$9 now. The choice quality cation, but ment under which each truck or car- lambs that brought \$11 in September to stop the load of grapes would be inspected for as feeders are selling at \$8.50 to \$9 as grade and quality, and certificates of fat market animals. Opposition to any legislation for inspection issued to accompany ship- "A load of cattle of my own feeding compulsory consolidation of rural ments. that cost \$10.70 last September as feed-"We can see what it has done for the ers were sold recently at Buffalo as schools. Consideration for our marketing potato growers," Buskirk concluded. finished beef at \$8.35. I fed them \$759 problems, especially on dairy prod-A. J. Rogers of Traverse City, mana- worth of grain, and in addition to that, ucts. ger of the Michigan Cherry Growers I was \$279 short of getting my original WARREN NUGENT. Packing Co., pleaded for more co-oper- cost. There are plenty of cases of this Bad Axe, Huron County. ation between farm organizations and kind. Of course, there were some in independent or old line dealers and the feeding game last year who had No. 2 processors. He said agricultural in- good profits. My farm platform for my legislator terests in the Pacific northwest had "We have facing us the Herculean

**STOCKMEN TO** Sunrise market reports for those BUILD UP PUBLIC'S radio station WKAR are to begin April 1 on a six day a week schedule that TASTE FOR MEAT

**Published Monthly** 

a. m. A bean market report is to be Industry Enlists All Modern Sales Methods for The Task

Michigan Elevator Exchange, Lansing, "The largest single industry in the From Detroit the Michigan Live Stock United States is the live stock indusy. Because of its neglect to publicand advertise the health and energy building qualities of meat, it is in a decline," said Elmer A. Beamer of Blissfield, Michigan, president of the National Live Stock Marketing Ass'n, ecently

> Mr. Beamer was speaking to the Agricultural Club of Chicago about what the industry is doing to promote the consumption of meat. The industry is now putting forth a tremendous effort with retailers, and through the press and radio to increase consumption of meat, Mr. Beamer said.

"Two-thirds of the land in the United States is devoted to raising cattle. hogs and sheep, and raising feed for them. The meat packing industry stands ahead of the automobile indus-

eader from Paw Paw, Van Buren of the cash income of the American county, voiced a strong plea at State farmer can be traced directly to live

ELMER A. BEAMER

"But, since 1914 there has been a lecrease in meat consumption in this Mr. Buskirk told the conference that country, from 145 pounds per person truckers, the Benton Harbor cash mar- in that year to 126 lbs. in 1936. That ket and the radio had "combined to is equivalent to a decrease in the de-My farm platform for my legislator destroy grape growers' marketing or- mand for 5,000,000 cattle.

"I entertain no illusion as to farmers' co-operatives. I have seen co-operatives succeed and I have seen them fail. I don't think there is anything mysterious about them. Furthermore, I don't think they can work any miracles. To my mind, co-operative marketing is an alternative way of doing business. It isn't communistic or rev-

self-interest on the part of producers prices are unduly depressed. We feel the enrollment of boys has been apin handling their own marketing (or the granting of this loan by the CCC purchasing) problems,

"Co-operative associations are not easy to run. The theory of co-opera- prices more satisfactory than those tion is much simpler than the practice. The same amount of energy and hard operative association would make a thriving private business.

"Many co-operative associations have been shortsighted in the salaries they pay. The association that has good management is fortunate indeed and every reasonable effort should be no production control involved." made to retain it. Good managers are scarce. Co-operation needs strong men. not weak ones. A successful business cannot be run by men who themselves are not successful. More co-operative associations have failed because of the faulty management than from any other cause. This leads me to make the generalization that the association charges. without good management never pro-

oping and maintaining an informed, active and loyal membership is a conaround.

must constantly fight. Indifference on oughly understands, however, is a bet- freight or truck, freight collect, or ter member and this is the ideal for bring in their wool themselves. Wool Manager at Lapeer which co-operatives should fight.

"The keystone of co-operatives is without charge. confidence. An association's policies, therefore, must be positive and clear While there are always many fac- has been advanced to manager. Paul tracted ninety adults and young folks. cut. Members and patrons must be tors which work together to determine Engle who had been manager for sevconvinced that they have an organi- the price of any commodity, it is al- eral years, has been promoted to the Oxford high school began Oakland Jr.

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quarters at Michigan State college. and a state club staff of 11.

will enable growers to market their In 1937 there were boys in 20,768 prowool in an orderly manner and at jects and girls in 25,561.

the wool loan will make it possible years of useful training, second is work which results in a successful co- for the average wool grower to pay dairy calf club work. Girls prefer the off his current expenses and at the five year clothing courses, with cansame time, since through it he will ning second.

retain a beneficial interest in his Four new projects begun in 1937 are Oceana jumped from 13th to 3rd with wool, he will be in a position to take to be continued and expanded in pro- a strong finish. Livingston, Gratiot, advantage of any better prices that jects for this year. These include Bay, Muskegon, Isabella, and Lenawee should develop. Furthermore, it will forest fire study, pheasant raising, stuck close to the top practically the

and farm use of electricity. The details of the loan have not as Kettunen pays high tribute to the yet been worked out, but are being 5,512 volunteer local club leaders, men many people attend Jr. Farm Bureau drawn up at the present time. The and women who worked with the sponsored functions. Carl Ballenger, information will be made available as 4,908 organized club groups in 1937. soon as possible. Loans will bear in-

### terest at 4% and the wool may be sold at any time that it will repay the Mayfield Group Acts loan, accrued storage and handling On Public Ouestions

may be stored. It is fully expected of public interest: Michigan Program

operative must be retained the year and warehouse facilities in Lansing, the stock affected.

all effort put forth to keep members in-formed, many get most of their infor-treet. Growers may borrow wool by imports. mation about the co-operative by hear- sacks and shipping tags without say. The member who knows and thor- charge and send in their wool by King Is New

that is delivered loose will be sacked

1938 Wool Situation Bureau.

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Those serving the boys and girls in the state include 71 county agricultural agents, 20 home economics extension agents, eight full time county club agents, 12 district club agents In the 24 years of the work the total enrollment to date is nearly up to olutionary. It is simply intelligent no question but that present wool the half million mark. In recent years proaching that each year for the girls,

> 23. Lapeer 24. Ottawa 25. Calhoun 26. Oakland 27. Branch 28. Dryden Most popular with the boys is the which are now prevailing. We hope course in handicraft, offering five

be a non-recourse loan, and there is farm mapping and soil conservation term of the contest.

"MANY WERE THERE" The following reports show how Gratiot, writes "Our St. Patrick's ban-

quet brought out 246 people-counted by Gerald Lake. "Charles Foo, St. Johns, told us about his experiences in the war in

Mayfield Community Farm Bureau China. Alfred Bentall spoke on co-Inspectors of the CCC will classify is a group in Lapeer county. At re- operation. The Jr. Farm Bureau gresses far. The manager is not the the wool on which the loans are cent meetings of the group, they have orchestra played and everyone had a association, but experience shows that made, and the corporation will desig- balanced the social end of the evening good time."

associations without good management nate approved warehouses in which it with such actions as these on matters One hundred and forty-five people "The membership problem of co-op- that they will include warehouses of 1. Elimination of the sales tax on sponsored by the Barry Jr. Farm Burattended an electrical demonstration erative associations is one that is al- the National Wool Marketing Cor- food and making up the loss in state eau at Nashville. With the assistance ways with us. The problem of devel- poration and their member agencies. revenue by a tax on salaried income. of the Consumers Power Company, 2. Compulsory weed control for La- movies, charts, and appliances were At this time it is impossible to out- peer county. Hiring of WPA workers shown to make the evening a success. tinuing one. The successful co-opera- line exactly how Michigan growers for task if property owners do not act. Russell Whitmore was in charge of tive must not lose track of its mem- can secure the advantages of this new 3. The group has petitioned the La- the program.

bers and patrons between the inter- program, except to suggest that the peer board of supervisors to appropri- Parents, friends, and member 105 in vals when they have merchandise for Michigan Co-operative Wool Market ate money for the eradication of number-enjoyed "Ocean Travel on a sale. The patron's interest in his co- ing Association, with headquarters Bangs disease in cattle and to remove Freighter" as told to the Ionia folksat Ionia at their community dinner by

is preparing to comply with all re- 4. The Mayfield Community Farm Dr. N. A. McCune of the Peoples "Ignorance of true conditions and quirements that may be imposed and Bureau has asked the Michigan Farm church of East Lansing. facts is what co-operative associations to give its consignors the full bene- News to publish a list of agricultural Interest in sugar beets brought 102 fits of the new loan. In addition, the imports and what commodities are be- Huron county people to Pigeon high

the part of members is the greatest en- association will make a substantial ing exported so that Farm Bureau school to hear and see a movie-lecture cash advance immediately upon the members may know if the nation is on that subject by M. J. Buschlen of emy of co-operative effort. Even with delivery of the wool to the Lansing producing an agricultural surplus, or the Farmers & Manufactures Beet

In his address, "Let's Think about It," Dean E. L. Anthony of Michigan State College, brought out many aspects of the future of farming to 96 Herbert King, formerly of Bad Axe, Farm Bureau banquet. Group games rural folks at a Branch county Jr. but with the Farm Bureau Services and dancing completed the evening. branch at Lapeer for several years, St. Joe Jr. Farm Bureau fun nite at-A potluck supper served 75 at the zation that is aggressively fighting for ways interesting to study the avail-

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No compulsory consolidation for rural schools.

**Pigs and Pasture** Favor a tax on oleomargarine. No return to property tax for high- Push Up Profits ways. Any additional taxes to Experiments of the Michigan State in a nation-wide campaign to create a busses that use the highways for value of pasture for pigs ranges from "A tremendous effort has been put revenue.

ing of spite lines in the present tening.

rural electrification disputes.

Michigan Gas & Electric Co. on sive if purchased. Estimates place attributed to these efforts." rates.

the amount of necessary protein sup-Favor disconnection of farm land plement at but 50 per cent if pasture Mrs. Gilbert Scott used for agr'l purposes only from is used for balancing the pig ration. cities, towns and villages where Sanitation is another value attach- Mrs. Gilbert Scott, who had many farmer derives no beneficial serv- ed to using pastures for pork produc- friends among the Farm Bureau memice from city or village. The tion. By rotating pasture areas and bers in Michigan, passed away at her State of Illinois enacted such a giving young pigs a new seeding the home in Hastings, Barry County, law in 1935. It applies to farms animals do not have as great a March 10. Mr. Scott was one of the of 20 acres and up. Favor 1938 farm act. and hog diseases.

Favor soil conservation.

market instead of super high- try to make a hog out of himself with- Scott attended many of the local, re-Favor tax exemption for land fourths or even one-half full feed, the

used for highway purposes.

F. C. LEE. Schoolcraft, Kalamazoo County.

proved the wisdom of such a policy. task of persuading millions of consumers to again make meat a larger part of their diet. In recognition of this fact, the entire industry,-producers, processors and distributors are

be levied on heavy trucks and College staff indicate that the acre consumer interest in meat.

\$15 to \$25 depending upon the kind forth. Hundreds of mass meetings Favor legislation to stop build- of pasture and the ration used for fat- have been held in the cities. Recently

On pasture pigs pay a better return theatre of Buffalo where there were I attended one in the Court street Favor adequate machinery to en- for each acre of pasture than most present 1,700 retail meat dealers to force reasonable rates and rea- any other kind of animal, says Verne learn more about meat. There is new sonable expenses and equal treat- Freeman, assistant professor of ani-advertising of meats through the press, ment for all farmers desiring mal husbandry. This is in spite of over the radio, with printed placards, service from the Rural Electrifica-tion Administration. In favor of making Public Utili-than most of Michigan's farm animals. ties Commission enforce the It's the vitamins, proteins and min- civic clubs, and elsewhere. Meat is a same rates by private companies erals in succulent pasture that help live topic. The task is being accomto farmers. Note difference be- cut feeding costs. These are the feed plished, and I believe a part of the tween Consumers Power Co. and elements that would be most expen- recent upturn in the market can be

chance to pick up round worm eggs first membership workers for the State Farm Bureau, and continued in

Full feed will not induce a young that service throughout the lower Favor better roads from farm to pig to eat very much pasture. He'll peninsula for a number of years. Mrs. out to much exercise. But on three- gional and state meetings.

> ings will carry 10 to 25 pigs to an fertile soil, and seeded to alfaifa or pig will eat far more pasture. Seed- rape, and supplemented with grain or acre to market weight if the lot is on grain and skim milk.

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Van Buren Mason Hemlock ... Cass Huron county pulled up from 10th to 6th place, Newaygo from 3 to 2nd,



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### Why the Dead Cats?

When two persons or factions get into a fight, the friend or bystander who attempts the role of peacemaker is likely to find himself the object of considerable vituperation from one or both parties in the brawl.

All rural Michigan knows that the largest public utilities companies and the Rural Electrification Administration have been having it hammer and tongs over territory. The utility companies have connected close to 40,000 farms in the past two years, and want to continue. The REA wants to connect a good many thousand farms.

The Farm Bureau has taken the lead in calling conferences to end the spite lines and other obstructionist tactics. Fights have accomplished little but prevent interested farmers from having power line service from either group,

Out of a conference of Farm Bureau, Grange, Farmers Union, Public Utilities Commission, REA Co-operative Companies, and public utilities company representatives came a general agreement that farmers residing in any area and not now served should have the right to determine whether they want REA service of public utilities service.

A committee from this group has been working to formulate a plan that would accomplish this result. Also, to provide other means for insuring early and complete area service to farmers from either source of power.

Therefore, the slinging of dead cats at the Farm Bureau by John M. Carmody, Administrator of the REA at Washington, at his recent Grand Ledge meeting and other representatives of the REA at other meetings in the state is hard to understand.

Unless something has happened to change their position so they will not be willing to trust a majority of farmers, we fail to see why the Farm Bureau's position should be considered anti-REA and theirs pro-REA.

Farm Bureau opposition to House Bill No. 51, labelled REA, in the last legislature could hardly be the basis for charges that the Farm Bureau is blocking REA in Michigan. Governof Murphy saw fit to withdraw support from the bill. Mr. Carmody himself has been quoted by a reliable authority as strongly opposed to such a bill as was House Bill No. 51.

In Michigan the Farm Bureau has avoided injecting itself into either the REA or utilities rural power programs. We have kept out of the actual development of rural line extensions. We have advocated the development of both utilities and REA plans to the end that all farmers shall have electric service as soon as possible and at the best terms obtainable for the interested area. We believe that farmers should be permitted to decide the type of service they want.

On a national basis, it is true that several State Farm Bureaus which have spent many thousands of dollars in promoting REA rural lines for the general rural public are now distinctly dissatisfied with the REA attitude toward them. The attitude of the REA there is reported to be one of ousting the Farm Bureau from any participation in the management of rural electric groups which it created. It would appear that the handsoff policy of the Michigan State Farm Bureau should be most pleasing to the REA.

The Farm Bureau is not anti-REA now and has not been anti-REA, and does not expect to be unless the REA forces us to that position by disregard of the interests of farmers, a condition which we do not now anticipate, and would deplore.

### The Memory Lingers

The flow of "free seed" letters to Washington is beginning again, but indications are there will be fewer than last year. For 15 years the U.S. Department of Agriculture has been trying to convince 130,000,000 people that it has no free seeds or plants. Yet each year, as spring approaches, thousands of requests pour in from farms, suburbs and pent houses. And all the writers of these letters meet disappointment.

Years ago-previous to 1923-there was an annual appropriation for free seeds for Congressional distribution through the Department of Agriculture. But in 1923 the government decided to discontinue the distribution of this great quantity of seed since it was only commercial garden seed such as could be bought from any good seed house and did not necessarily represent varieties better than those in common use. Not only does the Department of Agriculture have no free seed, it has no seeds or plants for sale either.

MICHIGAN FARM NEWS

The same principles applied to fertil-zer brought us an even drilling fertilizer. The plant foods are highly available. The nitrogen is 95% water soluble or quickly available.

And finally, the Farm Bureau has always been ready to fight farmers' battles when they need help.

Who else does?

seed tag.



### The Sugar Social

The Spring has come to Hicks Street. I can feel it in my bones. I can see it in the orchard; hear it in the robin's tones. The rhubarb burgeons pinkly, the forsythia ventures forth, And I saw a sleek camp-trailer just this morning --- headed north.

The sugar spiles are dripping, and the pendant bucket's gleam Twinkles in the busy sap-bush through a haze of fragrant steam. There are casks of sap to gather; there are cords of wood to cut; And the farmer's days are busy and his evenings nothing but.

Still, I think that I could manage to endure one evening through Just to hold a Sugar Social like the Grange once used to do It was in the early epoc, the event of which I write, But it's memory, warm and limpid, surges over me tonight.

I can see the laden tables; friendly neighbors in a row Dunking baking-powder biscuits: cooling wax in pans of snow; Talking, laughing, making merry, I can see them yet, because The past seems rosier, always, than the present ever does.

Oh, I know it wasn't modern; and no doubt it seems to you That the kissing-games we practiced were unsanitary too; That, compared to cock-tail parties, ours was mighty stale and flat, For we had no swinging trumpet braying in a derby hat.

And we lacked the blatant background of the raucous radio, But, as I remarked to Marthy just a day or two ago, If the Grange will hold a Social, inasmuch as Spring is back We'll provide the maple sweetening from our own old sugar shack.



#### for the 1938 hay crop. At Isabella a **NEGLECT TAKES** 37 year old mower was put in shape **HEAVY TOLL ON** about a hundred dollars. Eight percent is the figure estimated going along alright. **FARM MACHINERY** for annual depreciation on farm ma-

Shelter, Cleaning, Greasing, And Adjustment Saves

Heavy Outlays

Michigan are needlessly costing farm- year may save \$15 to \$20 in repairs. ies of all sorts. ers millions of dollars annually.

away because it is out of adjustment, words." comments A. J. Bell, extension special-

community repair schools all over the sharp and all machines in proper ad-state, part of the college work in try-justment with sufficient cleaning, back to property tax for some things man who perhaps can afford the new increase on barley! ing to make Michigan farming more greasing and oiling to cut down wear efficient and profitable. and rust. At Marshall a mower was dug out of

farmers of \$2,100,000.

### It is High Time That **Farmers Take Stock Again**

many things for the other fellow.

But Let's Consider the Future

By MRS. EDITH M. WAGAR Another spring has arrived and the average farmer is "all set" for the year's operations.

He knows which field will be for what crop. As he plows the furrows, our tax system that suggests any ad- with the commodities that enter into In his mind's eye, he not only harvests, ditional property tax. We want betbut he counts the money and pays ter roads, especially side roads, but women and men could wear and yet the bills and buys the new machinery. let's not give a thought to any least feel comfortable? He sends the boy to college and takes part of it coming from a property tax. the good wife on that long hoped for trip

What an optimist the average farmer is! Especially in the spring. And it's fine that there's one group of folks that can see rosy times ahead, at least for a short period during each year.

Too Optimistic?

Is he too optimistic for his own good? Perhaps. There's so many problems to solve and so many forces at work, that it is not surprising that he consoles himself in the easy and pleasant way of building plans on hope rather than reality.

His entire effort is centered on hope -he is really not certain of anything unless it is pay-day and taxes.

I would be the last one to discourage any farmer, but I wish many more of them would broaden their thinking a bit and aim for a goal that actually materializes.

For ten years or more we found ourselves gradually losing ground. We lacked a little more each fall of realizing the hopes of the preceding spring the public and the public should supuntil at last we were at the bottom. port them. If we once allow the bars Then the sun came out and we could down the least bit, we will find our-

rebuild our hopes. The greatest hope selves helpless, for there's always plenwas that the worst was over and there ty standing round looking for the gap could be a gradual comeback into a through which they can enter so long as the other fellow foots the bill. stable everyday life. How those hopes were shattered the - We want schools, the very best that

past year! Was that gleam of better the country can afford, but keep in days just a mocking dream? Had we mind that the taxpayer is not the only depended too much on farm conditions person to look to. The responsibility righting themselves without any great of our public school system is a public matter and should be supported by the effort or thought on our part?

Well, be it as it is, we are pretty public at large and not through a sysat a cost of \$8.75 instead of replacing well down to where we were a couple tem of taxation on property alone. with a new mower which would cost of years ago. We find almost every If we establish a slogan that taxes other class thinking that the farmer is should be assessed according to abil ity to pay, we could all afford to have a

home without feeling we must pay a

Live Within Our Means

Before all of these trying days are

MRS, EDITH WAGAR

Roads are public property, used by

How Others See Us

Why do they think so? Just because penalty because we had such a desire. chinery. Plus interest, taxes, repairs and insurance this mounts to 151/2 per too many think one sunshiny season When we know the wealth within our cent. Bell has estimated this might be can get the farmer going easy. Every state, it seems to me to be a serious rereduced by proper care to 131/2 per large publication felt that it was its flection on our tax system that any orcent, or an annual savings to Michigan duty to its readers to give them the im- dinary citizen stands in hand to lose pression that when wheat goes up a their home on account of tax delin-

"Any machine should be checked few cents that the farmer is then in quency. Rusting and abuse of farm machin- over and possibly overhauled each the market for new machinery, autobry worth an estimated \$105,000,000 in year," says Bell. "A dollar or two a mobiles, new clothes, and even luxur-

over, and before we get settled down One also can prevent breakdowns and All kinds of public improvements to a normal life for all, I believe we Too much farm machinery is thrown save depreciation, patience and cuss words." and public service began to take on the attitude that everything had been er niche. Shelter is insufficient on too many corrected with the farmer and it was

We must get in a frame of mind ist in agricultural machinery at Mich-igan State College. He has just completed a series of 25 means include keeping cutting tools

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 1938

things that I think might better be different.

Please tell me just why is it necesary to have a diamond engagement ring before many girls will consider a Spring Is Optimistic Time, but a great slice of it is on farm prop- man's love anything worthwhile?

erty. Some of it is old homesteads, Why have women held up their homes of our pioneers. And how did hands against any boycott against they get in this plight anyway? Sim- Japan's silk hose, even if our patronply because during that long period of age gives further encouragement to low prices, they were required to build their inhuman war attitudes? Is it roads and provide schools and pay in- not a fact that the silk stocking fad creased salaries, and pay for far too is one of the greatest extravagances of the age? Don't you think America It is time that we said that we will could find some method of working up not countenance any "tinkering" with our great surplus of cotton together

> Isn't it time that we start a campaign against easy borrowing? Why not discourage these radio programs that stress the easy way to pay for borrowed money, and let's discourage patronage" for the firm who advertises "one dollar down and a small payment each week." Let's stress the fact that pay day is sure to come and more often than not, it comes when one is least prepared to meet it.

> This recent used-car campaign should be a serious lesson to many, for it all came about through wrong ideals and wrong practices, coupled with high powered salesmanship.

The growing generation needs encouragement along many lines in order that they will not experience the pitfalls and the misery that their parents have of late.

If our forefathers should come back, fear they would think we had made sorry mess of it. To be sure, they lacked many of the opportunities we

(Continued on Page 3.)



You profit three ways when you treat seed with New Improved CERESAN. As a rule you increase your yields. Reduce loss from loose and covered smuts of oats; covered smut, black loose smut and stripe of barley; and seedling blight of both grains. And you save money in treating cost!

· This dust costs less to use than any other - 4¢ an acre on barley and 5¢ on oats, at average seeding rates. The U.S. Dept. of Agriculture approves it. Very little flying dust in treating; hardly any



treats oats and barley at lower cost than any other dust

Three Menus . . . and a Surprise

How do these menus sound to you?

(1) Wheat cakes, maple syrup, and coffee for breakfast.

(2) Baked potato, roast pork, applesauce, cucumber salad, hot rolls, pineapple sherbert and cake for dinner.

(3) Spaghetti and meat balls, a gelatine salad, gingerbread and tea for lunch or supper.

Believe it or not, nutritionists at Michigan State College find that constitutes a poor diet. The three meals above furnish only about onethird of the daily minimum of vitamins.

Protective foods can be found in such foods as whole grain cereal, an egg or cheese, a pint of milk, citrus fruit or tomatoes, or some other fruit, and yellow or green vegetables.

Suggestions to the three meals which sound so appetizing and yet in science are found to be inadequate are comparatively simple. A few changes are in order.

(1) Add an orange to the breakfast.

(2) Use a cooked green vegetable and celery and carrot sticks instead of cucumber salad at dinner.

(3) For lunch or supper serve cheese souffle, tomato and green salad, whole wheat rolls or bran muffins and jelly, with milk for a beverage.

#### We're Coming Along

As a business, the industry of farming lives in a world that is directed largely by organized effort in many fields. Over the years, experience and organized effort by other groups have brought into being these practices which confront the general public, including agriculture:

Controlled production and more or less fixed prices at high levels for automobiles, farm machinery, and many other lines of important manufactured goods.

Fixed rates for transportation companies.

Fixed rates for power companies.

Tariff protection that really protects industrialists.

Collective bargaining programs for labor.

Even with these advantages from organized effort, the foregoing groups have their troubles, and with each other. But the last thing they want to let go of is any one or more of these advantages that apply to them.

Farm organization has come a long ways in the last twenty years. Our tremendous development of farmer owned and controlled marketing and purchasing organizations in that period recalls the development of industrial groups in the first twenty years of this century.

The present farm act may be complicated. No one believes it to be perfect. But it is no more complicated for the business it represents, nor any further from being perfect than the transportation, power company, tariff and other formulas we've lived with all our lives. We are more or less familiar with them, and they are accepted. Farmers, through their farm organisations, are working on a program for agriculture.

### Who Else Does?

The Farm Bureau built open formula feeds so farmers could know all about the feeds they buy. Feed ingredients are listed pound for pound on the feed tag.

The Farm Bureau was the first to guarantee the origin of its alfalfa and clover seeds as proof of winter hardiness. It also guaranteed the purity and gormination of all its seeds to be as represented on the a fence corner. For \$2.75 it is ready Alfalfa means best fodder,

### **Classified** Ads

Classified advertisements are cash with order at the following test. 4 cents per word for one edition. Ads to appear in two or more editions take the rate of 3 cents per word per edition. rates:.

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REGISTERED HEREFORDS, BULLS FREE CATALOG-FROSTPROOF, CERand helfers. We have a nice selection, Sensible prices. A. M. Todd Co., Men-tha. (14 miles northwest of Kalamazoo). plants. ato, eggplant, offers. Write today, plants. Special offers. Write today, Union Plant Co., Texarkana, Ark, (3-5-3t-28b) (7-3-tf-22b)

### POULTRY-CHICKS

QUALITY LEGHORN CHICKS AT QUALITY LEGITION Of Manamar reasonable prices, U. S. Approved. Blood tested. From heavy producing Manamar fed flocks. Mated to males from high record dams. Circular free. Lake Bluff Foultry Farm. Holland, R-1, Michigan. (3-5-31-34p)

POULTRY LITTER-SERVALL-(Made outrey till is dustless-ordorless-bsorbent-sterilized-bright. Helps san-bsorbent-sterilized-bright or brooder.

BABY CHICKS-CERTIFIED S. C

SEXED CHICKS

BEE HIVES, SECTIONS, COMB FOUNdations, etc. Outfits for beginners. Sen for catalog. GRAFTING WAX for or Chardists, Both hand and brush wax, BERRY BASKETS AND CRATES, MAPLE SYRUP CANS. Send for prices, M. H. HUNT & Son, 511 No. Cedar St., Lansing, Michigan. (3-5-21-42b)

BEEKEEPER'S SUPPLIES

PLANTS

field-grown cabbage and onlon Also tomato, pepper, sweet po-eggplant, cauliflower, and other Special offers. Write today,

BUILDING SUPPLIES

intion in poultry house or broader. Keeps floors dry. 100-pound bales. An American Farm product. At most deal-ers. Descriptive booklet on request. Harry Gates Company, Jackson, Mich-igan distributors. (2-5-41-43p) LUMBER, METAL ROOFING, PIPE, new and used. Guaranteed usable con-dition. Stockyards Lumber Co., 4600 S. Halsted St., Chicago. (6-5-37-201-19p)

U. S. CERTIFIED ROCKS FOR BROIL FOR SALE-MISCELLANEOUS

crs and early pullets ready each week Leghorns ready soon. R. O. P. Breede Hatchery, Lowden Farms. P. O. Rive Junction, Michigan, Location, Henrietti (Pleasant Lake). (2-5-tf-30b)

MICHIGAN SEPTIC TANK SIPHON and bell as recommended by State Col-lege Agr'l Engineering dep't. Build your own septic tank and sewage system. In-stall when tank is built. Installation and operation simple. Discharges automati-cally. Have been sold 16 years. All in daily use and giving satisfaction. In-structions with each siphon. Price, de-livered, \$7.60 which includes sales tax. C. O. D. charges are extra. Farm Bureau Supply Store, 728 E. Shiawassee St., Lan-sing. (3+t-tf-60b) BABY CHICKS—CERTIFICE ROP While Leghorns. Breed stock ROP males. We offer one breed, and one grade —the grade we use ourselves for our com-mercial egg production. Send for catalog Andrew Lohman, Mgr., Hamilton Poul-try Farms, Inc., Hamilton, Mich. (2-5-31-40b)

#### MAPLE SYRUP SUPPLIES

ALL MAPLE SYRUP MAKING AND MARKETING SUPPLIES, including "Old Reliable" Felt Filter Bag for cleansing. Three color labels, themometers, hydro-meters, buckets, flat bottom pans, tin und glass containers, "KING EVAPO-RATORS", sap storage tanks, sugaring off rigs, sugar mouids, etc. For catalog and price write Sugar Bush Supply. Company, Display room and office, 217 No. Cedar St., Lansing, Mich. (next door to State Farm Bureau) (11-36-5t-57b)

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YOUNG MAN, 22, WANTS FARM WORK hi central Michigan. Has had some ex-perience. Roy Archer, 611 Lathrop St. Lansing, Mich. (4-2-14) WANTED-TO HEAR FROM OWNER (4-2-1t-16p)

that had been curtailed in the past. car or the new house, or a combine, It is high time that we as farmers or a full outfit of electrical equipment, take a very thorough inventory of that should be no reason why we conditions of today and of prospects should have them unless our individfor the near future. ual incomes will warrant the expendi-How can we purchase the necessi- ture.

ties of farming when wheat has reach- We should individually feel that we ed the low price of five years and when are not entitled to anything we do not milk is on the down grade and when earn. If we earn a fat paycheck, we the live stock feeders have lost all of should have it, but if we do not, we the profits of several years in this should not expect to buy beyond our earning power. We should fit our reone season?

Let's Hold Fast

What lessons are we getting out of and our stations in life. the fact that our state is facing the Easy Ways Into Trouble greatest tax sale ever experienced I know I am of the old school and FARM BUREAU SERVICES, Inc. throughout its entire history? And perhaps was born twice the thirty 221 N. Cedar not all of it is city and town property, years too soon, but there are some

Write for Cereal Pamphlet and free blueprints - how to make your own gravity treater from an old oil drum. Bayer - Semesan Company, Inc., Wilmington, Delaware.

### EVERY YEAR -IT PAYS

#### BUY FROM YOUR FARM BUREAU DEALER

And save postage. Or buy from us cash with order, 1-1b. can 70c; 5-1b. can \$3, PLUS parcel post at 10c per lb.

Lansing, Mich.

# We sell all we can make .. at GOOD PRICES

quirements according to our incomes,

We have learned that when a group of co-operative creameries get together for uniform manufacturing methods, for the improvement of the quality of their butter, and adopt a standard brand and sales program, they can sell all they can make at good prices!

The people and food marketing organizations who demand fine quality butter welcome Mid-West Producers Creameries' Valley Lea brand. Our sales are 26,000,000 lbs. a year. We are growing. There are worth-while benefits to more than 24,000 farmer members.

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EUY CHERRYWOOD CHAMPION chicks, big, heavy laying English leghorn or large classy Rode Island Reds. Breed ers 100% bloodtested. Sexed or straigh chicks. Cherrywood Farms Hatchery Holland, Mich. (3-5-2t-37p

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SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 1938

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Erosion is a land robber that washes away fertile top soil and gullies your best fields. Don't let it get a start. At the first sign of erosion it will pay you to build concrete check dams-and stop this loss once and for all.

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**PORTLAND CEMENT ASSOCIATION** Dept. W4-4, Olds Tower Bldg., Lansing, Mich.



# What Farm Bureaus are determined to have in **4** COUNTIES

Monroe County

Bureaus.

Invite every thinking farmer to

join the County Farm Bureau and

help make Monroe county one of

the most progressive in the state.

Help stamp out hog cholera and

remove a menace to hog raising.

legislative minute men to assist the State and National Farm 1.

tions in this county need atten- 2.

used to best advantage.

Be on the job when local condi-

Eradicate Bangs disease.

Editor's Note-Here are excerpts from four County Farm Bureau programs for 1938 as presented to their communities this spring. What is the program in your county?

### Lapeer County

### Make Lapeer County the first weed free county in Michigan. Contact board of supervisors on new Bangs disease law in prepara-tion for administration in this county.

Conduct highway safety campaigns 4. in co-operation with others. Help-in establishing first aid stations. Study proposed county reorganiza-

tion plan for schools and formulate Farm Bureau ideas on subject.

tion, and work for: Establish Community Farm Bureaus, and build membership. (a) Better side roads. (b) See that every tax dollar is To continue work in co-operative buying and selling. Help farmers have a voice in establishing prices (c) Full time 4-H club agent. for their products. There are two (d) Better county library facil-Farm Bureau elevators in this

ities. (e) A county community center. 6. Be alert to defeat legislation that endangers our program, and to Shiawassee County work for legislation that improves

Organize more County Farm Burour opportunities. eau Forums or community groups.

### U. S. Wool Loan **To Aid Growers**

county.

field.

(Continued from page 1) able supply. It is encouraging to note basically sound. that stocks of raw wool on March 1 were estimated to be approximately trade. 16% below the March 1 average of the 5-year period 1933-37 inclusive. Stocks were estimated to be around

230,000,000 pounds, the majority of which is in the hands of dealers. Mill stocks are very light and the placing of orders in any volume should im-

The Michigan Co-operative Wool interesting report from C. J. Fawcett; turned down due to the inability to general manager of the National deliver the goods.

Wool Marketing Corporation at Boston. Mr. Fawcett writes in part: "The consideration of the reciprocal

this year. with its possible attendant lowering "Credit conditions are generally of the duties on wool in the various stages of manufacture, plus the con- good. Growers as a whole are in a iny forward buying by any textile in- wool on the market, and it should result in more orderly marketing -of envy them. erests at the present time.

"However, we feel there are sound wool. easons to anticipate an improvement ts course, such as: their wool until they fully understand "The total supply of-wool in this what this new system offers them,

ountry today is below average, and and how to go about to avail them- kind feeling for the unfortunate and until foreign markets either work selves of the loan. "While we are working on the de- poorest among them. lower or the domestic market works tails, we must represent you in hear ther, importations of foreign wools

2. Maintain an active legislative committee to promote interests of Shiawassee county farmers.

The County Farm Bureau board of directors will develop a marketing committee to co-operate with other groups to improve farm marketing conditions.

cation to advance interests of young people.

Organize a list of Farm Bureau St. Clair County

county. Sponsor a Farm Bureau and 4-H

Club fair. enforcement of noxious weeds law.

Support extension work, organize community Farm Bureaus, and legislative minute men. Promote

"The technical position of the com- igan Co-operative Wool Marketing modities and securities market which Ass'n and receive a temporary advance was one of the factors in the decline and be in position to avail themselves of wool prices last fall is considered of the full amount of the new Govern-

ment loan as soon as all the details "Pessimism is on the wane in the have been worked out at Washington. Information so far received indicates

"The upward swing in wool manuthat on most clips of wool, the Govfacture is over-due, as consumer conernment loan will equal or exceed the offers which local dealers have been sumption has not fallen off as rapidly making locally to growers this spring. as production.

"Foreign markets of late have exhibited some strength both in Bradmediately drive mills into the buying ford and the Southern Hemisphere, and sales volume is much improved. "There has been some improvement Marketing Ass'n has just received an in spring business, and orders were

"In the meantime, it behooves

the time up until final sale of the wool. "Reports indicate apparel goods are selling more freely. The lightweight seasons of 1936 and 1937 were poor. High Time That

trade agreement with Great Britain, We should expect some improvement Farmers Take Stock (Continued from page 2)

have had, they experienced many hardtinued lack of confidence at least in better position financially now. With ships we have never had to face, educahe immediate future of business in this CCC loan certainly there will be tion was hard to get, they had but few ceneral stands directly in the way of no necessity to force grower-owned comforts and no luxuries, but at that they had much for which we should

Growers who sell outright have no

further chance of additional revenue

for another 12 months while those who

pool and accept the loan run no risk

or liability and are in position to

benefit by any strengthening of the

wool market which may occur during

They had pride and would endure anything and everything in order to n the wool market before 1938 runs those who are shearing now to hold sustain themselves and their families. They so lived that "a man's word was as good as a bond". They had a would share their small store with the

> They could have a good time with

#### Do not over-crowd young chickens; ways respect and revere. By so doing 1 we will make a better tomorrow for all. allow at least one foot of floor space for every three chicks. The experi-

### Act To Control **Chicken Diseases**

Poultry testing, as conducted by the Michigan Department of Agriculture, in co-operation with the United

States Department of Agriculture, disloses that approximately 10 per cent of Michigan chickens are disease infected, according to John B. Strange, commissioner. Since October 1st, 238 flocks, comprised of 50,843 birds, have been tested, removing 4,725 birds as being diseased, 2.2 per cent being infected with tuberculosis and 7 per cent pullorum reactors.

Testing has further disclosed a maerial increase, according to Commis-Promote the organization of Jun- sioner Strange, in disease among chicior Farm Bureaus, and co-operate kens over one year of age, with the rewith schools and leaders in edu- sult that the department is recommending to flock owners the sale of all chickens after the first egg laying period. The percentage of tuberculosis reactors in the older chickens Make a complete study of the was increased to 6.6 percentage while milk marketing situation in this pullorum reactors increased to 10.5 per cent

Thirteen hatcheries, records disclose, have signed agreements with the state Fight weeds effectively through and federal agricultural departments, Sponsor a County abstract office. ulations for operation and maintecomplying with certain sanitary reg-Make a complete study of the new nance and using eggs only from flocks Michigan welfare law and the tested and passed by the state. The flock owners agree to dispose of all diseased birds immediately upon conclusion of the tests, with the tuberthe Junior Farm Bureau, and as, culosis reactors slaughtered under fedsist local farmers' co-operatives. eral supervision and pullorum reactors sold for slaughter through regular trade channels.

> The hardest work that is done usually comes from work that is left undone.

### Machinery **Repair Parts**

Deering John Deere McCormick Other Makes

For haying and harvesting machinery. Get needed parts and have them on hand. Refer Part No. to-

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FARM BUREAU SERVICES, INC. 728 E. Shiawassee



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Exceedingly durable zinc Scientists have proved that it's impurities

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Not even a feather crack

for weather to enter

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from the bending and twisting undergone

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sells at the same price as ordinary fence,

in weaving the fence.

## LANSING, MICHIGAN Lansing

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BIG HUSKY CHICKS

APPROVED AND MICHIGAN ence of most poultrymen is that from hite Leghorn Chicks for Pullorum disease. for larger profits, R. 250 to 350 chicks in one flock is best. Pullets and sexed chicks if de-Send for descriptive price list

The railroad and the Pullman Com-

MICHIGAN FARM NEWS

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In 51 tests this new ethyl mercury phosphate dust has produced yield increases that average 10%, or more than 31/2 bushels an acre! And at a cost of only 21/2c an acre! Results like this are possible because New Improved SEMESAN JR. checks rotting of seed, improves stands and reduces losses from seed-borne rots of root and stalk. 4-oz., 50c; 1-lb., \$1.50; 5-lbs., \$7.00. Ask for the new Corn Pamphlet - it's free.

TREAT SEED EVERY YEAR -IT PAYS BUY FROM YOUR FARM BUREAU DEALER

And save postage. Or buy from us cash with order, 4-oz. can 30c; 1-lb. can 75c; 5-lb. can \$3.25, PLUS par-cel post at 10c per lb. FARM BUREAU SERVICES, Inc.

221 N. Cedar Lansing, Mich. will be at a minimum.

tionally short. Any upward turn would tional Wool Marketing Corporation force almost immediate coverage. "Inventories of finished goods have in securing this loan for you." been liquidated to a considerable extent. In fact, a recent survey in the leading cloak and garment shops showed stocks were sub-normal.

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ings relative to this reciprocal trade out always spending what they could "Mill supplies of wool are excep. agreement, Here's hoping the Na- not afford.

They had the courage to hope for a will be as successful here as we were better tomorrow. Why cannot we inject a few of the principles of the older Loan and Dealer Offers generations into our modern every

Of course, as remarked earlier in day living and thus preserve those this article, growers may consign qualities that helped to make them the their wool immediately to the Mich-Icitizens whose memories we will al-

> THIS IS T-26 ! A very attractively priced Co-op radio. Six tube, superhet. Beautiful wood cabinet. We offer other table and console models.

Buy at Farm Bureau Stores and Co-op Ass'ns

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For water level more than 22ft.

For water level not over 22ft. below ground or level where pump stands.

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### **ASK CHANGE IN CHOOSING** SUPREME COURT

FOUR

Would Amend Constitution to Take Choice Out of Politics

A campaign to secure adoption of an amendment to the state constitution concerning the supreme court got under way here this week when R. Wayne Newton, legislative representative of the Michigan State Farm Bureau, opened offices as secretary of a temporary committee formed to secure necessary signatures to initiatory petitions. Mr. Newton's connection with the amendment campaign had been previously sanctioned by the Farm Bureau board of directors.

The amendment was drawn by the judiciary committee of the State Bar of Michigan, and follows the recommendations of the Michigan Industrial Conference of which Mr. C. L. Brody, Secretary and Treasurer of the Michigan State Farm Bureau, is chairman. "An amendment to strengthen the state supreme court is urgently needed", Newton said. "Although attorneys must pass a rigid examination in order to practice law, any elector is qualified to sit on our highest state court, even though he knows nothing of law and is unable to read and write. We already have had legislators who could not read the English language. The legislature has no power to correct this condition with respect to the supreme court. It can only be done by constitutional amendment. Under the new proposal, supreme court justices must have been admitted to the practice of law for 10 years."

Commission Nominates

"The amendment has the effect of releasing the supreme court justices from the necessity of participating in party politics, and at the same time assures the people of a controlling voice in the selection of justices."

"The governor, the highest elective officer in the state, makes all appointments to the court under the amendment. The judiciary commission created by the amendment can only nominate. It cannot compel the governor to appoint".

"Candidates for appointment would be submitted by a judiclary commission of nine members, chosen for three years as follows: One justice of our state supreme

court, elected by the justices of that court.

One circuit judge elected by the circuit judges of the state, One probate judge elected by the

probate judges of the state, missioners of the state bar of Mich-

igan, and Three non-lawyers selected by the

governor. "All members of the judiciary com- method of selection of the judiciary." mission will serve without pay. None may serve two consecutive terms. the outgrowth of work carried on in Neither the commissioners of the response to this Farm Bureau resolustate bar of Michigan nor the gover- tion, Newton says.

### MICHIGAN FARM NEWS

# **Every Farmer Wants Results** from the FARM BUREAU

### Well, Here they are-

## NATIONALLY-

### LOWER INTEREST RATES-

American Farm Bureau helped reduce interest rate on Federal Land Bank loans from 51/2% to 3½%. That has saved Michigan borrowers \$461,000 annually for several years.

### SOIL CONSERVATION-

The Farm Bureau was important in drafting the Soil Conservation Act. It brings compliance payments of nearly \$15,000,000 annually to Michigan farmers.

#### ADAPTED SEEDS-3

You are protected from dangers of winter killing, unadapted European and South American red clover and alfalfa seeds today because of the federal seed staining act of 1926. The act originated in Michigan with the Michigan Farm Bureau Seed Service.

### FARM-TO-MARKET ROADS-

The American Farm Bureau has long worked for a federal farm-to-market road building program. Now that we have it. Michigan gets 1,500 miles of such roads from the general road funds of the United States.

### FARM INCOME UP-

In the early 1930's the American Farm Bureau campaigned for a revaluation of the gold content of the dollar. When it was done, 10c corn, 2c hogs, 3c cattle and 30c wheat immediately turned up, and up, and up some more.

### FARM ELECTRIFICATION-

This is a farm electrification program in national progress. The American Farm Bureau has supported the Rural Electrification Administration development at Washington. Six million dollars has been allotted to Michigan for building R.E.A. lines.

## IN MICHIGAN

#### SALES TAX EXEMPTION-

You no longer pay 3% sales tax on seeds, feeds, machinery and farm supplies, because the Farm Bureau convinced the courts and legislature such purchases are properly exempt.

### ROAD TAX OFF PROPERTY-

Your only road tax today is your gas tax and license plate. All users of all roads pay for them in that way. Thank the Michigan State Farm Bureau for this road program, which was started in 1921.

#### SCHOOL TAXES REDUCED-

Your local school taxes are a third to a half what they were, Why? Farm Bureau backed the Thatcher-Saur Act for \$22,000,000 of State aid for grade schools to come from the proceeds of the sales tax.

pupils. Twice as many rural boys and girls are in high schools as a few years ago. Why? A Farm Bureau plank in the Thatcher-Saur school aid act requires the State to pay rural high school tuition. It amounts to over \$2,000,000 annually.

#### ELECTRICAL SERVICE-

40,000 Michigan farms have been connected to high line electricity in 24 months ending Dec. 31, 1937, under the "Michigan Plan" for Michigan utilities, drafted by the Farm Bureau, and endorsed by the Grange. Connections continue at 1,500 homes per month. REA lines are under construction.

### MERCHANDISING SERVICE-

Farm Bureau guaranteed seeds, open formula feeds, high quality fertilizers, co-op machinery, tractors, sprays, oils and gasoline, long life fence, roofing and low cost insurance are other services that make and save money for farmers.

## AND THERE ARE MANY OTHERS!

somewhat similar amendment in that amendment must have the signatures will," says Agnes Fredericks, Mason in an organization working for the betto a resolution passed in this state at 7. Response to date has been most many.

Bureau, which reads as follows: "We instruct our officers to con- C. I. O. tinue their co-operation with other

state. Newton also called attention of almost 200,000 citizens before July secretary. She expresses the hope of terment of that future-the Jr. Farm Bureau. The Cass and Berrien groups had a

roller skating party at Dowagiac. There are new topics for discussion Behind heard about the state "Home Garden-ing" at Bay Jr. Farm Bureau by M. R. the Wheel Garlock of Central high. Another is (Continued from page 1) "Interior Decorating", by the Isabella their best interests first, last and all

groups-especially the boys. The girls the time. (Continued from page 1) Wermuth, editor of the Michigan Far-Don Gager went all the way to Min-Bad Weather Co-operators "I have always regarded the co-opSATURDAY, APRIL 2, 1938

Approximately 1,800 tugs, barges

### 15th Court Action **Against Seed Firm**

and other marine equipment are required to handle railroad freight traf-A recent court order requiring the destruction of oats shipped into Alabama by the Sun-Field Seed Service, makes a total of 15 such actions against shipments of this firm in re-

cent years, says the Division of Seed Investigations of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Sun-Field Seed Service is one of the names used by the American Field Seed Company of Chicago, Illinois.

In later years shipments into Arkansas, Mississippi, and Alabama of the same oats under the name "Mammoth Cluster" also were seized and condemned by the courts as misbranded in violation of the Federal Seed Act. The recent order was against seed shipped from Orangeburg, South Carolina, as "Sunfield Selection Ferguson Strain Red Oats". There is no estab-lished variety of oats bearing this name. The seed was actually Fulgrain, a variety well known to buyers throughout the Southeast. Obviously, say seed officials, there is no good reason for selling a well known oat variety under another name. The seed also was claimed to have a germination of 95%, but actually germinated from

### Nurseries Well Stocked

Michigan tree nurseries are stocked with every tree, shrub and vine, either for fruit or ornamental purposes, that can be grown successfully in this state, it is indicated by the inspection records of the Department of Agriculture.

### **Cow Respiration**

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### MARKET INFORMATION

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MICHIGAN LIVESTOCK EXCHANGE, Detroit Stock Yards.

"LET'S TELEPHONE



Three lawyers selected by the com- the 1935 annual meeting of the Farm encouraging to the sponsors with op-

agencies interested in improving the The present amendment is, in part,

nor may select more than two from A state-wide meeting of representa-

position apparently centered in the

**Junior Farm** Bureau

# RURAL TUITION ELIMINATED-

No longer do you pay tuition for rural high school

the same political party, and none so tive citizens to organize a permanent selected may hold any other political campaign committee is scheduled for office, and their terms are staggered."

partisan and is offered at this time because there are now four democrats and four republicans serving on the supreme court."

### Farm Groups Approve

The executive committee of the Michigan State Grange, on March treasurer; and Waldo C. Granse, 29th, endorsed the campaign to initi- widely known as an expert in Michate the amendment, and the Ohio igan's election laws.

State Farm Bureau is supporting a To go on the ballott this fall, the

Lansing, at 2:00 p. m., April 6th at "The amendment is absolutely non- the Olds Hotel, which all farmers and farm leaders are invited to attend. Besides Newton the temporary committee consists of Frank D. Eaman, attorney and prominent democrat,

chairman; George E. Brand, president of the State Bar of Michigan,

ings with a total attendance of over zation and commodities. Frank Ger- community activity. young people about his trip to South Farm Bureau members were treated America. The occasion was their to a movie-"The Merry Wives of Mother-Daughter and Father-Son Windsor".

banquet' HEARD HERE AND THERE

In spite of having only ten of their named Mary has given George Cox group present, the Cousino tribe something to talk about. The sun got adoped a Cousino song and battle cry so warm the other day in VanBuren at the last meeting at Monroe. Mr. county that Jr. Farm Bureau members Seely gave a splendid talk on his bus- were seen in children's clothes. Their iness of raising gladiolus bulbs. Roy alibi was "It's a 'Kids' party". Cusino (Pres.) has the "best yet" The Birdsalls carried out a Shamscrap book

rock scheme-refreshments, decora-"I don't know when we will get to tions, and allowed only Irish jokes to is not just a storm cellar to be used the sugar bush, but here's hoping we be told at the Oceana Jr. Farm Bur. only in case of danger. Co-operative

ence at Shelby.

agent has been secured for the Jr.

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Smith, Jones and Whites anyway.

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mer, spoke on "Quality in Farm Pro- nesota to marry a Farm Bureau girl, erative idea as fundamentally sound. duce". R. L. Mackie and Ray Allen The Dowagiac Co-op is supplying Co-operation does not always succeed, made brief remarks on a fine program, the material and space for Cass Jr. however, because of the inherent selfollowed by recreational activities. Farm Bureau's new meeting place, fishnesses of individuals. Members fre-The co-operative marketing of pro- The lads are putting in the time and quently come to co-operative associacessed products was discussed with labor. tion in an effort to get relief to correct

65 people by A. J. George, Buchanan Money! Money! To get that, Living- conditions they cannot combat individ-Co-op Manager, at one meeting of Ber- stan Jr. Farm Bureau is depending ually. When conditions get bad they rien Jr. Farm Bureau. In a series of heavily on Bill Hodge's auctioneering are willing to co-operate to get some six meetings on seed and fertilizer, voice and Dorothy Harwood's count- thing done about their individual this group has attracted several hun- ing of cash at their next box social. grievances, and co-operative action is dred persons, Livingston Jr. Farm The proceeds will be used to send frequently delayed until all other Bureau also held a series of 8 meet- delegates to Waldenwoods camp. methods fail.

Muskegon Jr. Farm Bureau is mak-"Many members use their co-opera 250 to hear various talks on organi- ing their new clubhouse a center of tive only when it profits them as indiber, prominent Fremont baby food Through the courtesy of the Con- ciation as a last resort when there is canner, told 63 Newaygo parents and sumers Power Company, Hemlock Jr. no other place to go. Such action does not constitute a fair test. It simply puts the co-operative on the spot. Members frequently expect their organiza-Has one of the Gratiot Bachelors tion to perform the impossible in the gone and done it? A girl at college

face of all odds. Anyone can sell commodities when the market is active. It takes a real salesman, however, to merchandise commodities when the market is dull. Many times our co-operatives are called upon to handle their heaviest volume when markets are weak and declining. But co-operation eau meeting last March 17th. This marketing (and purchasing) is an all-

group is planning a week end confer- weather answer to the farmers' problem if he will but develop it and sup-The co-operation of state police, port it." county schools, and the Mason county

### **New Regulations** For Creameries

Saginaw Jr. Farm Bureau is plan-Michigan creameries with cream ning a banquet to honor all charter buying stations throughout the state members of the Farm Bureau who have copies of proposed new regulahave been members all these years. tions for the operations of these ranches.

After a lapse of time and memory, "This is in accordance," said Comwe checked up the tribes on the roll missioner of Agriculture, John B. and found we have with us: Schme-Strange, "with our quality improveige's (6) in Hemlock; Gruebers (5) in ment campaign. The proposed regu-Saginaw; McDonalds (4) in Bay; and lations cover thoroughly the operation 3 each of these-Birdsall, Beythan, of cream buying stations, dealing with Turner, Watson and Grubemeyer. Here's a few of our names that make the cleanliness of the station itself and life interesting for the printer: Alves. of all utensils. Further provision is made that cream shall be delivered to teffer, Ludethke, Techentier, Sawatski, Stetlzriede, Malcutt and Schlu- the creamery a minimum of two times each week during the winter and three batis. But then, there's too many times each week during the summer months, with no cream being held at Some folks say there is and some any station longer than 72 hours."

say there isn't. That is in farming. We are encouraged to hear that at a Ohio Farm Bureau Kalamazoo Jr. Farm Bureau meeting, Maynard Williams, Florine Hitchins, Supply Service

Ohio county Farm Bureau co-opera-Jack Mosher, and Wm. O'Brieter debated on that subject-and Marian tives now maintain 112 service stores Frost says. "The results were very and warehouses throughout the state, successful for the affirmative side". which offer 90,000 farmers Farm Bur-So we agree, there is a future in farm- eau brands of fertilizer, feed, seed, peing and make it a good one by being troleum, machinery, paint, fence, and

Farm Bureau Stores & Co-op Ass'ns interested in it enough to get active miscellaneous farm supplies.





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### SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 1938

### **Belleville Tornado**

mendous amount of damage to property by the tornado that struck Belleville, Ill., and vicinity the night of March 15.

Alfred Bentall, director of the State Farm Bureau Insurance Dep't, reports that State Farm Fire Company adjusters in Illinois were the first on the scene to settle tornado damages for insured persons who carried tornado insurance with their State Farm Fire policies. State Farm Fire was drawing checks to Belleville claimants the next day.

Old timothy meadows respond better and more quickly to commercial fertilizer than do alfalfa or clover, and recommended.

March 1 found 600,000 Michigan autoists without license plates.



nor was love ever ugly." Scratched on and, centuries ago.

### WHY RISK A LOSS?

Insure in Michigan's Largest Farm Mutual Fire Insurance Company. Assets over One Quarter Million Dollars or which more than half is in cash or Government Bonds, or Bonds guaranteed by the U. S. Government. Net increase of nearly \$10,000,000 of insurance carried in 1937. Losses satisfact-orly adjusted and promptly paid.

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WRITE FOR LITERATURE AND FINANCIAL STANDING

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





Rejection of cream and milk because of unsatisfactory sediment tests has been reduced from 20 percent to four percent during the past year as result

of quality campaign conducted by the Department of Agriculture, in co-operation with Allied Dairy Industry and Butter Industry Committee, according to John B. Strange, commissioner. Records disclose that 105,000 sediment tests have been made since the campaign was launched last April, with the result that the general quality of all milk products has been materially

increased, according to agricultural department head.

The inspection program, according only on timothy or grass is nitrogen to Commissioner Strange, has opened outstate markets for Michigan milk

and cream. A fluid milk market is now established in Gary, Indiana, and sweet cream is shipped legitimately to New York City for the first time in the history of the dairy industry of the

state. "When the original tests were made last April," according to Commissioner

Strange, "as high as 20 per cent of the cream and milk was returned, with coloring added, to the producer, while at the present time but four per cent is being returned. Improvement has been general because in those instances where the dairy products were found on the border line of insanitation the producers were warned, with suggestions by the inspectors of the department."

a cell wall of Chillon prison, Switzer-

Michigan State Farm Bureau 1. Find two families in your neighborhood who will assume some responsi-

JOHN F. YAEGER

Director of Organization

- bility, and who would like to study the Farm Bureau program.
- 2. Invite them to assist you in selecting enough Farm Bureau families for a starting group of at least 10 or 12 families.
- 3. Call these families together. Explain that the purpose of the Community Farm Bureau is a study of the Farm Bureau program. Also to train leadership in discussion, study and participation in the program.

# ORGANIZE COMMUNITY FARM BUREAU in Your Neighborhood!

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LET'S TAKE OUR HATS OFF TO THE PAST AND OUR COATS OFF TO THE FUTURE!

- 4. If those present agree upon a Community Farm Bureau, arrange to organize it. If only a few are ready to start, find enough additional interested families for a total of ten, and proceed with the organization.
- 5. When you get to the organization process, write to the Membership Dep't, Michigan State Farm Bureau, or notify the Farm Bureau's district representative. Some one will meet with you and help organize and start your Community Farm Bureau program.

steaks 30%. Few of them realize the loss to farmers. The commissioner based his predic

tions on an analysis by the highway planning survey of accidents in 1937 Federal farm loan ass'ns have been which killed 2,161 people. At this consolidating, by county or several ratio, he pointed out, the death rate county groups, to have their work done will mount to 3,500 annually by 1950. by a single office. Important savings are effected. The commissioner found encourage

ment in the fact that the accidentprone area covered a relatively small

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Predicts 33,000

Ninety per cent of the freight trafsection of the state. "When we con- fic of this country is handled in regusider that 25 per cent of all the deaths larly scheduled freight trains that occurred in one county, 40 per cent move on definite schedules, the same Forty-five years ago this fall there in 4 counties, 50 per cent in seven as passenger trains. were 29 white children and one little

### **Doubles** Capacity of Pasture

period, show that the carrying capacity of pastures where rotational grazing is practised is 50% higher than pastures grazed continuously throughout the

Think what this means to the individual farmer. If he has 50 acres of pasture, he can increase the carrying capacity of his pasture in two ways: By buying 25 acres more land and grazing it continuously, or by placing two fences across his present pasture and practising a system of rotated grazing.

### Sprouting Hastens Growth of Potatoes

Time to treat seed potatoes and prepare them for sprouting before planting time. The suggestion comes from H. C. Moore, potato specialist at Michigan State College. Corrosive sublimate, four ounces dissolved in a pint of hot water and added to 30 gallons of water, is the basis for the treatment. The sprouting should follow the poison and is to be done two to

three weeks before planting time. As much light as possible, but no danger of frost is to be permitted, with seed potatoes spread in layers four to six inches deep. The short, thick green

sprouts after planting begin growth a week to ten days before unsprouted seed stock.

### **Dilworth Resigns**

W. F. Dilworth, manager of the Boyne City Co-operative Marketing Ass'n since 1918 has resigned to de vote himself to private interests. Floyd Schneider, who has been con nected with the co-op for severa years, has been appointed manager.

The International Peony Show will



be held at the Boys Vocational School, Lansing, June 18-19. At the close of the Revolutionary war only a few Canadian fur trappers lived in what is now Ohio.



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is met by a storm of protest. "Teacher! Teacher! Delia stole a book! Nancy left her book in her desk and Delia stole it!"

Editor's Note: Back in 1893 Ella Warner Welch taught the Intermedi-ate grade in the three room school in Mecosta county. Edgar R. Welch, her husband, taught in the high school. In those years Mrs. Welch taught in a dozen log school houses, on up to Bellaire and Charlevoix. Mrs. Welch, now 72 and a resident of Pennsylvania for many years, sent us this letter recently:

**Delia's Friends** 

colored girl when I as the new teacher arrived Monday morning at the school

in Mecosta to take up my duties. I

Timely Comment

in Readers' Letters

Letters

to the

Editor

Dear Mr. Editor:

"Just where is Delia?" I asked. "Over there. Over there!" I saw a little colored girl standing to one side. A picture of hopelessness. I led Delia into the schoolroom and closed the door. Seated at my desk, I looked into those big dark eyes and

said. "Delia tell me all about it." The child raised her face and with tears in her eyes, said: "Teacher, Ah don't know nothing about it. Ah didn't steal the book. When Ah come to school this morning, all the children start to say, 'Delia, why didn't you bring that book back?""

"Delia, I do believe you, and I'm going to be your friend." Going to the door I called the children in. After they were seated, I said, "Children, Delia didn't take that book, and I don't want to hear any more about it." Delia's face brightened. She proved

to be an apt pupil. She loved to recite poetry, and with great expression. Within the month a little girl who had been absent because of illness re-

turned to school. Along with her own books, she brought the missing book, taken home by mistake. I made it a point to tell the children how much untold suffering they could have caused a little child by being too eager to place blame.

At that time Delia's family was the only colored family in Mecosta. Delia had very little social contact because of her race. Often I had her to our home for the evening meal.

One evening when Delia remained for supper, Mr. Welch brought our old teacher and friend who had visited us on other occasions. When we sat down to the table, Mr. Welch, our guest, and Delia and myself, he asked, "Who have we here?"

"This is Delia," I said. "She is going to become a great elocutionist some day.' Smiling upon her, he said, "That's

fine, Delia. I am proud to know you. When you have your first appearance, I will come and hear you. You may make Michigan proud of you!" Our guest was none other than Woodbridge N. Ferris, then a teacher, and in the years to come Governor of

Michigan, and United States Senator from Michigan. Always a gentleman, and a true friend of the poor and the lowly. Mrs. Ella Warner Welch

108 Reed Street Oil City, Pa. Feb. 14, 1938

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### Hartman Wears a **Bryan Hat**

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Henry Hartman, charter member of the Monroe County Farm Bureau wears a William Jennings Bryan hat. He has in all the years we've known him, and that goes back to the early 20's. A Bryan hat, by the way, is a black felt hat with a very wide brim. Henry told us more about the hat recently. Back in 1896 when he was farming at Tuscola, Illinois, Henry was one of a crowd that gathered to meet the great commoner's train when he came to Tuscola for a campaign address. There Henry and his five brothers saw Bryan and his Bryan hat, which William Jennings Bryan wore to the end of his days.

The five Hartman brothers adopted the hat. Henry still wears his, and he doesn't look like Henry without it. "You can't buy one any more in Milan," he said. "This one my son brought from some place. My daughter thinks I'd come to like a narrow brim hat. So I have one. But I like this broad brimmed hat, and I'll be wearing it a lot."

### Most Anything Makes a Lady's Hat

Most anything goes this spring in determining what is fashionable in hats for women

At least that is the deduction of Marion Hillhouse at Michigan State college. Sailors, "salad bowls" and Walt Disney's Snow White all influence what apparently is in style.

The flat sailor or boater is considered one of the most popular types. Selection is logical because this kind of hat goes with the trim tailored suits that many women prefer to wear in spring.

Those who are short and round should avoid the flat sailor, Miss Hillhouse suggests, because it seems to decrease apparent height. Instead she points to the rolled up Breton which is being called the salad bowl Breton. Worn tilted forward it offers more height and smartness, if it is becoming.

Peaked Snow White dwarf caps are decidedly tall but popular, yet most of the hats have flatter crown and wider brims than are more fashionably associated with spring.

Color runs rampant, but the suggestion of fashion leaders is that there shouldn't be too lavish a mixture either in clothes, hats or trimmings. The giant hats of 1910 with a flower garden atop still are not back in style. Shape of the hat is all important,

and from there the selection depends on getting something that is new and smart in line.

### **Deer Troubles** In New Jersey

Ravages to farm crops by deer in New Jersey have become so serious that the Farm Bureau has asked the state to provide a system to indemify farmers against losses caused by deer and to establish feeding grounds to attract deer away from the farms. In commenting on the request, John E. Brockett, County Agent in Altantic county, said that he has seen good



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### **Chopping Champion**

Thirty-three year old Archie Lobdell of Livingston Manor, Sullivan county, is New York state's new woodchopping champion. Severing a 10inch beech log in 38.3 seconds at Cornell's Farm and Home Week, he topped a field of 14 contestants from all parts of the state.

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