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Farm Bureau Invites Members to Annual Meeting

Behind the Wheel

With J. F. Yaeger, Director of Membership Relations

EDUCATION

two weeks of Co-op Clinics just closed Office of Production Management to throughout Michigan has been educa- get their present equipment in the tion. Coming home from one of the best possible operating shape this meetings, one of the fellows in the winter for next season and succeeding car said:

Why don't we get together an edutell the farmer's story effectively? Everybody agrees that we need not only to educate ourselves but city folks as well, still we do nothing about it.

The Michigan Milk Producers invests many thousand dollars in Brody Attends Meeting radio time but few



meet this effect- equipment, ively, they must J.F. YAEGER

and

. . and to foot the bill. end. If every farmer's organization, big or little, set aside one percent of its gross earnings for education as the Rochdale Pioneer Co-ops did, and that were pooled in a fund we could raise from \$500,000 to twice that

Well, its worth thinking about. FOOD PRICES

To listen to some city people, you beyond what is absolutely needed. ing stirred up over the country.

New York Times shares this hysteria, required. the food editor of the same paper is In a recent issue of the Times, food recommends that every effort be put different years. The tables showed farm equipment manufacturers to prothat beef, in the late spring of 1941, duce repair parts reasonably needed was selling for less than it had sold to put existing machines and implefor at the same period in three out of ments in good working condition. seven preceding years.

Specifically, beef this year was low-1940, and lambs were lower than in 1940. Only eggs, butter and veal were higher than in any year of the period

The latest government figures on retail food costs show that in March of 1941 the national average was 98.4 per cent of 1935-39, as against 96.6 percent a year earlier. Since that time, prices of some foods have gone up some, but it is doubtful if the average for the nation as a whole is yet of metal than for machinery and imup to the 1935-39 figures.

CREDIT COSTS 17% Some time ago the Farm Credit Ad- Action and Time Important ministration of Washington made a The National Committee for Farm survey of approximately 100 local Supplies laid great stress upon having co-operatives in the Middle West enough metal allotted to provide for which were doing a credit business, all repair parts needed. In order to It was found that over a period of be assured of this however, it was several years it had actually cost the agreed that it is of the highest immembership of these locals nearly portance that farmers repair equip-17 percent to do a credit business, ment this fall and winter, rather than In arriving at this cost such items waiting until next spring or summer. were taken into consideration as Only with such co-operation can suforedit losses, accounting charges, col- ficient metal be assured for repair Brody Speaks For lection charges, stationery, postage, parts and give the manufacturers

business where they are likely to poses and provide more when it is find it will cost as much as 17 per. shown that it is needed. cent to do it. This is bound to cause ately or otherwise cannot meet their immediately. obligations when they become due.

world owes me a living." "Give me ment and Agricultural Defense Relaa fair chance to prove myself," he tions officials.

do with it. 'From then on' usually, (Continued on page 2.)

WARN FARMERS TO GET REPAIR PARTS NOW

Metal for New Machinery to Become Increasingly Scarce

Farmers needing repair parts for farm machinery will do well to order One word that has dominated the them now. They are advised by the

Metal for the manufacture of new cational fund in Michigan and really farm machinery is going to become increasingly scarce.

Repair parts will have the first call on supplies of metal allocated to the farm equipment industry, according to statements made this week to farm leaders by the Office of Production Management.

As the Farm News goes to press, other farmer's or- Clark L. Brody, secretary of the Farm ganizations even Bureau, has just returned from Washcome close to that. ington. As a member of the National Labor and industry Committee for Farm Production Supare spending mil- plies, he met October 29 with top Hons of dollars to officials of the Office of Production tell their story Management and the Office of Agrito organize cultural Defense of the U. S. Departtheir folks. If far- ment of Agriculture on the subject of mers are going to farm machinery and supplies for such

The National Committee for Farm be as willing to Production Supplies was organized educate themselves and others and to Oct. 11 to include the American Farm organize as Industry and Labor has Bureau, the National Grange, the Farmers Union and the National "If farmers won't do that, then the Council of Farm Co-operatives to fight will always be a long uphill bat. represent all farm organizations on the tle with the farmer getting the short subject of priorities for supplies for farm production. Mr. Brody is one of a committee of 13 members, and represents the National Council of Farm Co-operatives. (See Nation's Co-op, page 3).

Emphasize Present Equipment Mr. Brody reported that defense ofamount and then we could do a real ficials strongly emphasize putting farm equipment now on the farms into the best practical operating condition rather than allocating metal Are food prices hitting the ceiling? for manufacturing of new machinery

would think so. There is a lot of hy- It is believed that for the next year steria about war time food prices be- or two that new farm equipment will not be responsible for more than 5% Altho the editorial page of the or 10% of the total farm production

For this reason, said Mr. Brody, the doing something to quiet the clamor. Office of Production Management prices in New York were listed for forth to allocate sufficient metal to How Metal Will be Allotted

The over-all metal allotment for the er than in 1939; pork was lower than farm equipment field will be approxiin 1938; poultry was lower than in mately 80% of 1940-1941 production, but the apportionment of this total amount to be set aside for different types of equipment will vary above or below the 80% average, in accordance with the need for a particular machine or implement in growing the crops called for by the defense and lend

lease programs. It is expected that the equipment needed for crops in the defense and lend lease programs will get more favorable treatment in the allotment plements employed in the production of crops for which there are surpluses.

time to manufacture the parts. rowed by the individual from the pro- wish to allot all the material neces. and 30 on the matter of priorities for AGR. - IND. - LABOR duction Gradies Secretary Clark I. duction Credit Association at an in- sary but intend to avoid making any farm supplies, Secretary Clark L. terest rate not to exceed 5 percent, allotments that will not be used or Bureau called upon other federal of and when this is the case there is are not needed. For this reason they fices in the interest of Michigan coreally no reason for the local co-op- will be conservative in the amount of operatives; erative to encourage or do a credit metals set aside for agricultural pur-

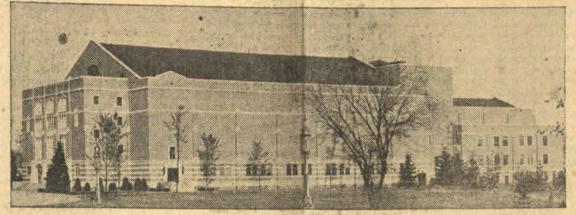
dissatisfaction sooner or later by the for Farm Supplies, said Mr. Brody, penalizing of many of the good pay- will urge the farmers to order their ing customers for the bad debts of repairs early and ask dealers to get some of those who either unfortun. in their stocks of machinery parts

ers' needs along practically all lines such diversion plants. The committee discussed the farmtive Wholesale manager, in an article in the CCW. Administration officers regarding the fruit and notate in the CCW employes' paper, warns co-op workers against falling into the terest and co-operation shown them philosophy which assumes that "the by the Office of Production Manage-

the total railway mileage of the Unit- Creamery, Saginaw, county, has been Mrs. Edith M. Wagar of Carleton, "Once you get your chance from the total railway mileage of the Unit. Oreanery, Saginary, Country, Mr. Wagar has been provement for Mr. Wagar and that termined for the Farm Bureau scrap cludes: Address by Pres. Clarence then on it's up to you as to what you'll shope compared with nearly one-half called for military service. Now the very seriously ill for the past two the articles can be resumed in an book, poster and limerick contests. ed States are now directed by tele. niring girls to take the places of the past two the provement for Mr. wagar and that termined for the Farm Bureau scrapcludes: Address by Pres. Clarence
phone, compared with nearly one-half called for military service. Now the very seriously ill for the past two the articles can be resumed in an book, poster and limerick contests. J. Reid, annual report of the execumonths or more. We hope for an im- early edition.

There will be music by the Oceana

Place of Farm Bureau Annual Meeting, Nov. 13 and 14 At State College



MICHIGAN STATE COLLEGE AUDITORIUM and FAIRCHILD THEATRE

PROGRAM

22nd Annual Meeting Michigan State Farm Bureau

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12

10:00 a. m. Pre-convention meetings in State college buildings for following groups: Membership Relations con-4:00 p. m. ference, Commodity conferences: Fruit, Vegetables & Potatoes committee; Grain, Sugar Beets & Beans committee; Live Stock & Wool committee; Milk & Creamerles committees; Poultry & Eggs committee. Associated Women (12 noon till 4 p. m.) See schedule of meeting places on page 3.

8:00 p. m. Farm Bureau program and entertainment at Music Auditorium, college campus. Discussion: Relationships of Agriculture, Labor and Industry by nationally known leaders

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13

Annual business meeting of the Michigan State Farm Bureau convenes at Fairchild theatre, New Auditorium. Ample parking facilities nearby.

> PRESIDENT'S ADDRESSCLARENCE J. REID Credentials & Rules Committees Report

12:30 p. m. Adjourn for lunch.

...R. W. BLACKBURN 2:00 p. m. ADDRESS .. Secretary of the American Farm Bureau Federation RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT Nomination of Directors

Thursday Evening

6:30 p. m. 17th annual dinner and old time dancing party of the Michigan State Farm Bureau at the Union Memorial Building. Tickets \$1.00.

President Clarence J. Reid, presiding.

KARL H. McDONEL TOASTMASTER ... Secretary, Michigan State College

Entertainment

...REV. ROBERT D. RICHARDS ADDRESS .. Pastor, Immanuel Methodist church, Detroit FARM BUREAU PARTY

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14

9:30 a. m. Farm Bureau business meeting at Theatre.

> Consideration of Resolutions Election of Directors New Business

Adjournment

Rooms and Dinner Tickets

See complete information on these matters published on page 2. Make room reservations early as you can for both rooms and dinner tickets.

Co-ops at Washington

While at Washington October 29

(1) Michigan co-operative creameries have been urged to build milk The Farmers National Committee drying plants to help supply defense discussed the matter with the Surplus Marketing and Farm Credit Administration and advised that the creamer-

> (2) Mr. Brody also conferred with UAW-CIO. canning projects the Farm Bureau Mrs. Wagar Unable to

girls are getting married.

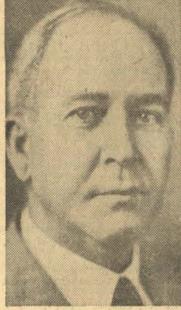
BUREAU TO HEAR SPOKESMEN FOR Nationally known leaders of agri-

culture, labor and industry appear before the Michigan State Farm Bureau at a pre-convention meeting at the music auditorium at State College Wednesday evening, November 12 to discuss the attitude of their groups towards the problems of the day, and towards each other. They are Pres. Edward A. O'Neal of the American Farm Bureau Federation; John L. Lovett of Detroit, manager of the ies can not be expected to assume Michigan Manufactures' Ass'n; J. H. alone the financial risk of building Wischert of Detroit, director of research of the International Union

Write for this Edition

For the second time in 19 years of Martin Bauer of Hemlock Co-op News we are without an article from

Program Speakers



EDWARD A. O'NEAL Wednesday Evening



MRS. CHARLES W. SEWELL Admin. Director of Associated Women Wednesday Afternoon



R. W. BLACKBURN Secretary, American Farm Bureau Thursday Afternoon



ROBERT D. RICHARDS publication of the Michigan Farm Pastor, Immanuel Meth. Ch., Detroit the American Farm Bureau Federa November 13 at 9:30 o'clock in Fair-Thursday Evening

November 12, 13 & 14

Eight Pre-Convention Conferences November 12; President O'Neal, Sec'y Blackburn, and Mrs. Charles W. Sewell to Speak

Three leaders of the American Farm Bureau Federation will appear on the program of the 22nd annual meeting of the Michigan State Farm Bureau at Michigan State College, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, November 12, 13 and 14. All Farm Bureau members are invited to attend the annual

President Edward A. O'Neal will speak for agriculture Wednesday evening in the discussion scheduled between nationally known representatives of labor, industry and agriculture.

Secretary Richard W. Blackburn will address the convention Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Charles W. Sewell, administrative director for the Associated Women of the Farm Bureau, will speak to the women at their meeting Wednesday afternoon.

12,000 Members This Year

Twelve thousand Farm Bureau members and 139 farmers' co-operative ass'ns affiliated with the Farm Bureau are entitled to send a total of 400 voting delegates to the Farm Bureau's annual meeting at Fairchild Theatre at the college. County Farm Bureaus send a delegate for each 50 members. Co-ops that are stockholders of Farm Bureau Services, Inc., are entitled to one Farm Bureau member delegate each.

Pre-Convention Meetings

Eight pre-convention meetings will be held at the college President, American Furm Bureau Wednesday, November 12. In conference from 9 a. m. till 4 p. m. will be a general committee on membership work. Directors and managers of commodity exchanges and local co-ops will gather in five commodity conferences to discuss: fruit, vegetable, and potato problems; live stock and wool; grain, beans, and sugar beets; poultry and eggs; milk and creamery problems. The Associated Women in an afternoon meeting will determine the state winner of the women's speaking contest and other contests. Out of these meetings will come recommendations to the State Farm Bureau resolutions committee. The committee convenes at Lansing November 11. See page 3 for meeting places for pre-convention conferences.

The program Wednesday evening, featuring President O'Neal and speakers for industry and labor, will be held at the Music auditorium on the campus, starting at 8 o'clock. 1941 Has Been a Good Year

Farm Bureau delegates will meet at the close of a year that has been a good one for the Farm Bureau program. Gains

(1) May 26 President Roosevelt signed the Farm Bureau inspired bill adopted by Congress May 13 to guarantee farmers not less than 85% of parity prices on wheat, corn, cotton, rice and tobacco. Farm Bureau action in Congress to extend the 85% of parity guarantee to all crops was successful with the adoption in July of the Steagall amendment,

For the first time in nearly 20 years the price the farmer gets for his products is as good or a bit better than the price he pays for the products of other groups.

(2) The Farm Bureau helped write a guarantee of not less than 85% of parity prices into the national farm program to increase production live stock, dairy and poultry products.

(3) The American Farm Bureau said September 8 that no ceiling should be set for farm prices at less than 110% of parity. On October 21 Sec'y Wickard of the U. S. Dep't of Agriculture said that would be his policy.

(4) Michigan State Farm Bureau work in the 1941 legislature helped bring about: improved state aid to schools law to increase substantially the aid given to one room schools and smaller high schools; an improved milk marketing act; brought Michigan co-operative law up to date; enacted a compulsory weed control law; state aid for advertising dairy products and other farm products; lowered tax on farm trucks and trailers.

(5) Farm Bureau Services, Inc., increased its Farm Bureau supplies and other services to members and other patrons by a considerable amount.

(6) The Michigan Farm Bureau membership increased

to 12,000 families. County Farm Bureau chorus and the

Nine contestants are expected for Gratlot County Farm Bureau orches-

Associated Women's Contests

The winner will represent Michigan

the finals of the speaking contest, tra. Mrs. Charles W. Sewell will The subject is "Education in the speak. Home for Civic Responsibilities." Farm Bureau Business Sessions

The State Farm Bureau annual at the national contest just preceding meeting starts. Thursday morning, tion annual meeting at Chicago in child theatre, College Auditorium early December. Winners will be de-building. The order of business in-

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Wickard Agrees with Farm Bureau

Secretary Wickard of the U.S. Dep't of Agriculture has agreed with the Farm Bureau that no ceiling should be fixed for farm prices at less than 110% of parity, and that the parity principle should always apply. Speaking to the House committee in charge of price fixing legislation Sec'y Wickard said October 21:

"The recent increases in farm prices have been unusually rapid, but I want to make it plain that in my opinion they are not yet out of line, for the reason that these are increases from levels which were abnormally low. In 1939, before the war broke out, prices of farm products were so low that the farmer's purchasing power was only about three-fourths of what it had been in 1910-14. Only within the past month or two has the purchasing power approached the parity level. This is the first time in two decades that the farmer's purchasing power has reached parity.

"One of the merits of the pending bill is its acceptance of the parity principle. I assume that the bill uses the parity principle for farm prices because it is fair to both farmers and consumers. It asks no more of consumers than that they should pay prices sufficient to keep farmers producing under conditions which will permit a decent standard of living. Fair- minded consumers will admit that farm product prices have been bargain prices during most of the last 20 years.

"As I understand the purpose of the pending bill, it is to cut off the inflationary spiral before it really gets started. If a producer's prices are fixed at a given level, obviously his costs cannot be permitted to rise so high as to wipe out his net income. One advantage of the parity formula is that it reflects changes in the costs of production. The prices paid for industrial goods by farmers include the wages paid by industry.

"There is a perfectly practical and obvious reason for stipulating (in the bill) that no ceiling should be imposed on farm products at less than 110 per cent of parity, rather than exactly at parity. As every farmer knows, farm product prices fluctuate every day. If ceilings were placed exactly at parity, the daily fluctuations in the market would necessarily all be between parity and some lower figure, and as a result, farmers could not possibly average parity. The real purpose of restricting ceilings to a point somewhat above parity is to make it reasonably sure that all farmers will have an opportunity to get parity."

Modern and Substantial

Proof that Michigan agriculture is modern and substantial is to be found in the 1940 or 16th census of the United States.

Ten years ago only one farm in five had electric lights. Today 7 out of 10 have electric lights. Also, electric power to energize motors to pump water, provide electric refrigeration, to lighten household tasks, and do other work on the farm.

More than twice as many farm homes are on hard surfaced roads as there were a decade ago. Taxes per \$100 of value average 90 cents as compared to \$2.07 in 1930. Members of the Farm Bureau have but to recall their successful program to require state financing of all highways and schools to know how much of the farm tax reduction has come about.

Less than half the farms in the state are mortgaged. Of those that are mortgaged the average debt is \$1,870 in 1940 as compared to an average mortgage for \$2,534 in 1930.

The average age of a Michigan farmer is just over 50 years. Two-thirds of the farmers have been on their farms five years or more.

Eight farmers in ten have automobiles. One farmer in six has a truck. One in three has a tractor. One in four has a telephone.

Behind the Wheel

(Continued from page one) particularly in the co-operatives, etc., but on the other side of the means that your fitness will be meas- ledger the individual owes to society ured acording to your own choice; the duty of using his talents and Indifferent or inspired, steadfast or energies, not merely for his own vacillating, lazy or industrious, cap- profit, but for the betterment of soable or incompetent, cheerful or glum, ciety.

much of their rights, but little of their duties to society. The individual can well expect society to guarantee him certain elemental rights. such as freedom of speech, religion,

generous or selfish, trustworthy or Some people worry so much about dishonest, loyal or disloyal—the the debt which society owes them choice is yours."

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Local co-operative organizations can ill afford to carry on in business thou which workers want: 1. Fair under such circumstances. In addiwassee St., Lansing.

SPREAD MARL AS IT COMES FROM pit. Flink Solf Feeding Spreader does perfect job on marl. No helper required something of value to society.

Along the same line, Vice President which their co-operatives were estable which society owes them the debt which society owes them the finest equipment at competitive equipment at competitive prices AND you help build a program that has only your interests at heart. Write us your needs. Farm Bureau Services, Inc., Machinery Dep't, 728 East Shiawassee St., Lansing. (1-tf-52b) of prices AND you help build a program that has only your interests at heart. Write us your needs. Farm Bureau Services, Inc., Machinery Dep't, 728 East Shiawassee St., Lansing. (1-tf-52b) of prices AND you help build a program that has only your interests at heart. Write us your needs. Farm Bureau Services, Inc., Machinery Dep't, 728 East Shiawassee St., Lansing. (1-tf-52b) of prices, Inc., Machinery Dep't, 728 East Shiawassee St., Lansing. (1-tf-52b) of prices, Inc., Machinery Dep't, 728 East Shiawassee St., Lansing. (1-tf-52b) of prices, Inc., Machinery Dep't, 728 East Shiawassee St., Lansing. (1-t





The Longer Look

When the day has not been easy, but is wearing to its close; When I'm weary of well-doing, and would like to sit and doze, am apt to growl a little at the natural law of fate That the laboring man quits early while the farmer labors late. am apt to argue blindly as I pail the brindle cow That the fate that set me farming was an evil one somehow: That a softer easier living might elsewhere have been my lot; That I could have been a hummer in the city like as not, But my heart is not quite in it and I do not grumble long Till my spunk comes up a-grinning and I start to hum a song For I know that in the morning when the sun gets up to shine He will soon inject new ginger into these old bones of mine.

When the year has reached November, with cold weather close in sight; When the months of bloom are over with, and Nature shuts up tight, Sometimes Marthy gets downhearted. When you first can see your breath She has times of bitter mourning that her flowers must freeze to death. She views the opal evening with regretful rheumy eye For the nights of cold are on us and her zinnias have to die. She covers up her asters just to save them one more day, And I've heard her crying softly as she picked a last bouquet. Yet her sorrow is but transient and her grieving period brief, For still she has her house-plants, and they bloom beyond belief, And soon the bright flower catalogs will burgeon on our street And plans for next year's garden beds will make her days complete.

When our life has passed its summit and we're on the downward way; When it seems we're getting older, growing grayer day by day; When the fire of our ambition smolders lower-smolders lower; When we cannot do a thousand things that we could do of yore; When we find no consolation in the papers that we read Of a hell-bent world of people all affame with hate and greed. Let us look away up forward, past the dark years just ahead; Let us try to see the season when the world is comforted; When light and love shall conquer hate and darkness flee away; When the earth shall spin new-burnished in the lights of God's great day. Every dawn athrill with bird songs; every twilight lush with flowers; Every thought to Heaven aspiring in this love-bought world of ours.

R. S. Clark. 315 North Grinnell Street,

tablished and that is a saving to the BUREAU AGAINST members on those items which they must purchase for their own con-**BILL TO FIX**

Associated Women

PROGRAM

Annual meeting at Michigan State College Union, Wednesday, November

Women will take luncheon together in main dining room, second floor.

1 to 4 p. m. Organization Rooms 3rd Floor Music-Gratiot County Farm Bur-

eau orchestra Speaking contest finals

Scrapbook, poster and limerick contest winners to be announced and prizes awarded

Music-Oceana County Farm Bureau chorus Address-Mrs. Charles W. Sewell, administrative director of Associated

Women of AFBF Community Singing Resolutions

ORGANIZE GRATIOT GROUP

Twenty women of the Gratiot County Farm Bureau have organized a county unit of the Associated Women Johnson of St. Louis was elected chairman, Mrs. Jay Coleman of Breck. Mid-West Producers

SEEDS FOR ENGLAND The Associated Women of the Farm Bureau have been notified that contributions from Michigan farm women were part of shipments of 17 tons of

garden seeds last spring. PORK CHOPS SUPREME Trim excess fat from 6 pork chops, eason with salt and pepper and brown on skillet. Arrange crops in casserole. Over the top pour 1 can tomato soup and 1 No. 2 can of peas. Sprinkle with bread crumbs. Cover and bake *1\% to 1\% hours at 375°.

MRS. HARVEY W. ENZIAN, Cressy, Mich.

THIS PAPER COMES TO YOU WITH THE 行動的物理報如母問認可 Compliments LIVINGSTON

County Farm Bureau

FARM WAGES Farmer Would Have to Pay

Wages Set to Collect Benefit Payments

of the Michigan State Farm Bureau, All Day Program at Muskegon wrote all Michigan members of Con- The program committee is assured gress Oct. 28, asking them to oppose that Governor Murray D. Van Wag-Senator Langer's Bill, Senate No. oner will present the Certificates of 1435, to fix minimum farm wage Merit and cash awards again at the rates that farmers must pay in order round-up. It is hoped to establish to qualify for any benefit payment or this feature of the program as a traother advantage extended by federal ditional policy.

Mr. Brody wrote: farm people as one of the most vicious made during the season. and dangerous pieces of legislation

of the Farm Bureau. Mrs. Mary Illinois Creamery Joins tive of agriculture, one of business,

Produce Company of Pana and Paris. Illinois, has become affiliated with the Mid-West Producers' Creameries Inc., South Bend, Indiana, a regional marketing and purchasing co-operative, which serves producer creameries in Michigan, Indiana, Tennessee, Ohio and Illinois. James Marley of Nokomis, Illinois, is president of the Equity-Union Creamery and Produce Company, George P. Southwell is manager. The addition of the Equity-Union group to the Mid-West Producers' Creameries, Inc., brings their membership to 25 creameries with a butter production in excess of thirty

Milk Producers Ass'n at College Nov. 6

million pounds annually.

When President Fred W. Myer of the Michigan Milk Producers Ass'n opens its 25th annual meeting at Michigan State College Thursday, November 6, it will also mark 25 annual meetings at the college. The meeting is at the Union building.

About 600 delegates are expected from locals shipping milk to these cities: Detroit, Grand Rapids, Ann Arbor, Battle Creek, Lansing, Muskegon, Flint and Saginaw.

Every man is worth just so much as the things are worth about which he busies himself.-Marcus Aurelius.

Trifles make perfection, and perfection is no trifle.-Michael Angelo.

Classified Ads

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LIVE STOCK

REGISTERED HEREFORD BULLS and heifers. We have a nice selection. Sensible prices. A. M. Todd Co., Mentha, (14 miles northwest of Kalamazoo). (7-2+tf-22b)

FARM MACHINERY

ONLY FARMERS CAN BUILD A FOR SALE-MISCELLANEOUS farmers' program. Any farm tools you need can be bought from us. You get the finest equipment at competitive prices AND you help build a program that has only your interests at heart. Write us your needs. Farm Bureau Services, Inc., Machinery Dep't, 728 East Shiawassee St., Lansing. (1-tf-53b)

ELECTRIC WATER SYSTEMS

IF YOU NEED A PUMP, WHETHER it's to be a piston type, centrifugal or jet system, we have it. Our line is com-plete. Prices range from \$49.95 up. See your Farm Bureau dealer, or write Farm Bureau Services, Inc., Electrical Dep't, 728 E. Shiawassee St., Landing,3-tf-45b)

MICHIGAN SEPTIC TANK SIPHON

PLAN EVENT FOR FARM TO PROSPER

Farm Bureau Members and Community Groups Take Part

Preparations now are under way for the second annual West Michigan Farm-to-Prosper contest round-up, to be held in Muskegon, Thursday, Jan. 29, 1942. The event is in recognition of those farmers who have participat ed in the second such contest held in Mason, Muskegon, Newaygo, Oceana and Ottawa counties.

The Farm-to-Prosper contest was instituted in 1940 as a means of promoting prosperity of the farmer thru stimulus, friendly rivalry, the longrange objective being to enhance the general well-being of the region.

Anything a farmer has done during the season to improve his farm business, as to soils, crops, livestock, buildings and equipment in the home or in farm management and participation in community life counts toward winning one of the cash prizes totaling \$825, together with a Certificate of Merit.

divisions-full-time farmers, part-time farmers, and community organizations. A number of Farm Bureaus are entered in the last division, including the Sauble River, Carr, and Summit-Pere Marquette Community Farm Bureaus, all of Mason county; the Muskegon County Junior Farm Bureau; Brookside, Garfield, and Sitka Community Farm Bureaus, all of Newaygo county; Shelby Community

John Houk, of Ludington, a director of the Michigan State Farm Bureau, is farmer representative from Mason county on the West Michigan Farmto-Prosper Contest Association board of trustees, the body which handles the contest. He won second prize in Mason county in the full-time farm-

An 'outstanding speaker will be obtained and an allday program of entertainment arrang-The fixing of minimum wage rates ed, including dinner at noon. The by the secretary of agriculture (as auditorium and dining facilities of required by the bill) for every farm Muskegon senior high school have laborer on every farm in the United been reserved. Everything will be States as a condition for receiving free to contestants and their wives. any benefit payment, grant or loan, or Sole requirement for admission is other advantage extended by any fed- the turning in of a report booklet deeral law is considered by Michigan tailing what progress the contestant

By JOHN A. CHISHOLM

Sec'y, Farm to Prosper Ass'n

Cash Prizes Total \$825

The contest is divided into three Farm Bureau, Oceana.

Clark L. Brody, executive secretary ers' division last year.

These reports are judged as to ever introduced in our national Con- county winners by committees of three in their respective counties, the committees including a representaind a woman to represent the home. Sweepstakes prize winners, who will

vin \$100 in each division will be de-

ROOM RATE SCHEDULE

MICHIGAN STATE FARM BUREAU ANNUAL MEETING For November 12, 13 & 14, 1941

At Lansing Hotels and Private Residences Olds Roosevelt Porter Wentworth Strand Detroit Hotel Hotel Hotel Hotel Hotel Hotel Hotel Rooms 122 S. 201 E, 111 N. 501 220 125 W Grand Michigan Seymour Townsend Michigan Grand 4-3019 4-2218 9522 2-1491 2-1471 5-9155 Telephone Single \$1.50 \$1.50 \$1.50 \$1.50 Without Bath \$2.00 Single \$2.25 \$2.50 to With Bath \$2.50 \$2.00 \$2.00 Double \$2.00 up to to \$2.50 (2 persons) None \$2.50 Without Bath Double \$3.00 up \$3.00 \$4.00 up \$3.50 up (2 persons) With Bath

Garages and all night parking lots are convenient to these hotels. which are all located in the center of downtown Lansing.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR MAKING RESERVATIONS

Make them as soon as possible! Write direct to the hotel of your choice for reservations. When reserving rooms, indicate who is to occupy the room and for what nights. For example, Mr. and Mrs. J. Smith. Or, William Burns & Arthur Town. Give date of arrival. WEDNESDAY, November 12-For information regarding rooms, Farm

Bureau dinner tickets, etc., call at Membership Relations Department State Farm Bureau, 221 North Cedar St., Lansing. Telephone 21-271.

THURSDAY, November 13-For information, room service, dinner tickets, etc., call at the desks in lobby of convention hall, Fairchild theatre, New Auditorium, Michigan State College, East Lansing.

ROOMS IN PRIVATE RESIDENCES

The Michigan State Farm Bureau has a limited list of private resj. dences in Lansing, and a few in East Lansing, where overnight lodgings can be had. The usual rate is \$1.00 per person per night where two persons occupy the room. Single occupancy of a room is usually \$1.50 per night. See Membership Relations Dep't, as stated

TICKETS FOR FARM BUREAU'S ANNUAL DINNER To reserve tickets for the annual Farm Bureau dinner and program Thursday evening, November 13, please send cash with order for ticket reservations at \$1.00 per ticket to Membership Relations Dep't, 221 North Cedar St., Lansing, Michigan. Or get tickets soon after

arrival. No tickets can be held unless paid for.

cided by a committee of state agricultural leaders.

More carloads of bituminous coal are handled annually by the railroads than any other commodity.

More than 16,000 persons have lost Tekonsha Farmers Co-operative, their lives in accidents at highway-Calhoun county, has bought a new railroad grade crossings in the past feed grinder and mixer.

AUTO INSURANCE" car owners who say... • Let me point out to you how State Farm Mutual's common sense

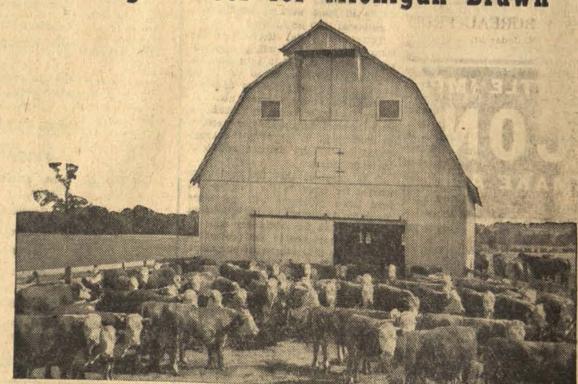
coverage results in substantial savings, over a period of time, on the actual cost of automobile insurance. Already over half a million car owners are benefiting from this economical more-for-your-money method of buying protection for themselves and families. Investigate today-no obligation.

See Your Local STATE FARM MUTUAL AUTO INS. AGENT

State Farm Insurance Companies of Bloomington, Illinois

DRIVE SAFELY and CARRY INSURANCE THAT WILL PROTECT YOUR INTERESTS

Michigan Beef for Michigan Brawn



A barnyard-full of Hereford steers. The "white-faces" are among the most popular of beef cattle breeds.

SYNTHETIC foods may have their place in the war-time economy of some nations. But Michigan workers who are arming America for defense want meat that will "stick to their ribs" - good roasts, steaks and stews.

The farms of Michigan will sell more than \$27,000,000 worth of beef cattle and calves this year. Wherever there's a surplus of corn and other grains, steers are fattened for market.

Farmers who specialize in beef cattle use the telephone to buy young steers, order feed, and keep in touch with the market price of beef on the hoof. The meat packer does much of his buying and selling by telephone. And the amazing efficiency of the system that keeps every neighborhood store supplied with fresh, wholesome meat would be impossible without complete and dependable telephone service.

MICHIGAN BELL TELEPHONE

"A State with Riches Blest" - No. 24 of a series of advertisements on Michigan's Natural Resources.



Shorthorn cows and calves have the typical lines of the beef breeds - long, straight back, short legs and broad, chunky body.



Needed by Farmers

For Production

Quentin Reynolds, Eastern States

W. G. Wysor, Southern States Co-op-

H. W. Smoots, United Co-operatives,

I. H. Hull, Indiana Farm Bureau

J. L. Nolan, Farmers Union Central

John Brandt, Land O' Lakes Cream-

Fred E. Herndon, Illinois Farm

Howard E. Cowden, Consumers Co-

operative Association, North Kansas

done a grand job of keeping the State

Office, Mr. Powell, their Senators and

Representatives informed as to the

thinking in their local groups. They

did such a good job that it was ex-

standing five from a list including

report to the state office after each

Banfield Community Farm Bureau,

Lapeer; Climax, Kalamazoo; Cooper,

Kalamazoo; Elba-Hadley, Lapeer;

Garfield, Newaygo; West Jefferson,

The fifth annual secretaries' prize

Community Farm Bureau group go-

the following groups:

City, Mo. (Cont. top next col.)

Co-operative Association, Indianapolis,

erative, Inc., Richmond, Va.

Exchange, St. Paul, Minn.

Inc., Indianapolis, Ind.

MASON BUREAU FIRST TO TAKE HOSPITAL PLAN

More Than 300 Farm Bureau People Are Assured Its Benefits

Mason County Farm Bureau is the first to put into effect group hospital service for member families through the co-operation of the Michigan Hospital Service and the Michigan State Farm Bureau.

October 27 at Scottville the County Farm Bureau announced that 124 families in eight community Farm Bureaus had enrolled, to bring the service to 329 persons. The requirement was 96 families. The program is effective November 1.

Mason County Farm Bureau directors started their educational work for the service September 1. The board appointed a lady from each of the 8 Community Farm Bureaus to promote the idea. First, the women visited the Stearns hospital at Ludington. Then, each sponsored a Com- Rates: munity Farm Bureau meeting at which the proposal was presented by a representative from the Michigan Single subscriber \$.60 Hospital Service. Wesley S. Hawley, Subscriber and district representative for the Farm spouse Bureau, helped develop the plan at Subscriber, spouse each meeting. All of the Community and all unmarried Farm Bureaus exceeded their quota children to 19 of memberships for the plan.

be collected by the Community Farm (a) Applicant must be a member

Bureau committeewoman. She will turn the money to the County Farm Bureau secretary for transmittal to the hospital service office at Muske-

The hospital service plan provides the member a very substantial portion of hospital care in any one of many member hospitals in Michigan. The service protects him in other

1. 21 days of hospital care per year

in a semi-private or ward room. 2. 90 additional days care per year in a semi-private or ward room at fifty per cent (50%) discount from the regular hospital rates. Meals and dietary service.

General nursing care,

Use of the operating room as often as necessary. Anesthesia when administered by a salaried employee of the

Routine clinical laboratory ser-

hospital.

the mother has been enrolled from birth to nineteen years. for ten consecutive months.

Service Room Service mothers.

The hospital services payments will ELIGIBLE MEMBERSHIP

IF ANYONE IS INJURED IN YOUR CAR...



· A new kind of Automobile Insurance now protects your fellow passengers should they be injured while you are driving your car! State Farm Mutual's new Medical Payment Coverage now pays medical and hospital expenses (up to \$500 a person) regardless of whether you are responsible for the accident or not. The cost is nominal, Let me give you full details.

State Farm Insurance Companies of Bloomington, Illinois

DRIVE SAFELY and CARRY INSURANCE THAT WILL PROTECT YOUR INTERESTS

WANTED!

Potatoes and Apples for Canning

POTATOES-We are in the market for 30,000 bushels of U.S. No. 1-B or U.S. No. 2-B potatoes (11/4" to 11/4" mesh, inclusive) for canning under lend-lease contract for shipment to Britain. Potatoes must not be scabby. Deliver to Bay Co-operative Canneries plant at Essexville, just east of Bay City. Arrangements can be made for us to truck the potatoes.

APPLES-We are in the market for peeling apples, 21/2 inches up, from Farm Bureau members. Apples must be sound and free from rot or worms. Deliver to Oceana Fruit Growers, Inc., plant at Hart, Oceana county. Arrangements can be made for us to truck the apples.

FOR PRICES PAID, write to address below, stating varieties and quantities you have to offer.

FARM BUREAU FRUIT PRODUCTS COMPANY 221 N. Cedar St.

LITTLE IMPROVEMENTS OF

MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE

THERE are dozens of places on the average farm where a little concrete can work wonders at small cost.

Look around your place and pick out a few of the jobs that need doing. Maybe it's a new porch floor or new steps, a walk to the front gate or to the barn, a well curb, watering troughs, a cistern cover or a ramp to the barn.

They're all things that can be built easily and inexpensively with a few bags of cement, some sand and gravel or stone. And concrete lasts-doesn't rot, rust,

burn or decay. You can do the work yourself, a little at a time. Or ask your cement dealer to recommend a good concrete contractor. We can help with free plans and suggestions. Check the coupon, paste it on a postcard and send it today.



WATER TROUGHS

WELL PLATFORMS PORTLAND CEMENT ASSOCIATION Dept. W11-5, Olds Tower Bldg., Lansing, Mich.

Street or R. F. D. No. _ nt Walls Paved Yards Sidewall
Milk Houses Milk Cooling Tank
Scotic Tanks Making Concrete

MICHIGAN STATE FARM BUREAU ANNUAL MEETING

Pre-Convention Meetings

At Michigan State College. Wednesday, November 12 REGISTRATION & INFORMATION DESK M.S.C. UNION BLDG. LOBBY

These Meetings 10:00 a. m. to 4:00 p. m.

Membership RelationsUnion Bldg., Spartan room, 4th floor Fruit, Vegetables, Potatoes (was 205 Hort) now....112 New Auditorium Grain, Sugar Beets, Beans.....202 Psychology Bldg. Live Stock and Wool120 New Auditorium Milk and Creameries.....401 Agricultural Bldg. ... Short Course Conference office, Agr'l Bldg. Enter Room 117

Luncheon for above groups 12:15 noon, Union Bldg., Faculty Club 12:00 Noon to 4:00 p. m.

Associated Women.....Noon Luncheon, Union dining room Associated Women Program......Org. Rooms 1 & 2, 3rd floor Union

All ordinary drugs and dress- in good standing with the Farm Bu- NATION'S CO-OPS ings. Maternity service, including use (b) Applicant may cover himself of the delivery room and care alone, himself and spouse, or himself, for the mother and child, after the mother has been encouled his spouse, and all unmarried children NAME BRODY TO

> (c) Applicant may enroll adopted PRIORITIES BOARD children up to nineteen years of age Ward Semi-Private but not brothers, sisters, fathers, or

Progress of Charlie and Mortimer

CHARLIE 771/2 LBS. AHEAD IN HOG FEEDING MARATHON

This is the third monthly report on Bureau, the Grange, the Farmers' the progress of Charlie and Mortimer Union, and the National Council of Co-op, two pigs engaged in a feeding Farmers' Co-operatives. experiment at Coldwater Co-op Co. Mr. Brody represents the National

The purpose of the experiment is to whose membership accounts for about feeding hogs grain PLUS high pro- iness in this country. without supplement.

grain ration with water in an open tives to deal with all problems in and poultry meat returns, trough twice daily. His grain ration volving priorities and allocation of was 100 lbs. of corn, 100 lbs. wheat materials needed for farm supplies. and 50 lbs. oats. Shelled corn was Welcomed by Defense Authorities

July 21, Charlie, weighing 35 lbs. mittee is the culmination of several was put in another pen, equipped with weeks of preliminary planning by Egg Prices Up 66 Pct. a self-feeder and automatic waterer. farm co-operatives to set up machin-He got the same grain ration as Mortimer, plus 1 part of 40% protein hog be assured of fair treatment in all supplement to 4 parts of the ground grain. Shelled corn was provided in a separate compartment.

		duction. This work was reported in
	Their Weights First 90 Days	the Michigan Farm News, October 4.
-	Lbs.	
-	Jul. Aug. Sept. Oct.	The U. S. Dep't of Agriculture's of-
9	21 21 9 21	fice of Defense Relations has welcom-
-	*Charlie 35 64 911/2 174	
-0	Mortimer 40 47 71 1011/2	ed the formation of the national com-
ю	*Charlie self-fed, supplement added to	
	ration,	of Production Management is interest-
	PROFIT AND LOSS	
-	CHARLIE	ed. It is believed that the national
-	Oct. 21—weight	committee can do a great deal to
-	July 21—weight	
4	The same of the sa	assure farmers needed supplies and
	Gain in 90 da139 lbs.	can eliminate the necessity for in-
•	Value of Gain:	dividual requests for priorities and al-
•	139 lbs. at \$10 cwt\$13.90	
	Feed Consumed:	locations on the part of farmers, farm-
	Lbs. cwt.	er co-operatives and farm organiza-
9	126 Gr. Wheat at \$2.00\$2.52	
	126 Gr. Corn at 1.60 2.02	tions.
	63 Gr. Oats at 1.75 1.10	The National Council of Farmers
•	131 Sh. Corn at 1.52	
	76 Hog Suppl, at 2.70 2.05	Co-operatives at Washington will act
•		as the "spearhead" in the committee's
•	Cost of feed consumed\$9.68	
•	SUMMARY	negotiations with defense agencies
	Cost of feed consumed\$ 9.68	and other government departments.
	Value of 139 lb, gain 13.90	Direction of the program will be by
	NET PROFIE - 4-4 0400	
	NET PROFIT on feed\$ 4.22	Ezra T. Benson, executive secretary
9	Cost to produce one pound of pork	for the Council. Headquarters for
		the committee have been established
	MORTIMER	
ų	Oct. 21—weight	in the Council office at 1731 Eye
-	July 21—weight 40.0	Street, N. W., Washington.
	Gain in 90 da 61.5 lbs.	A STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR
	Malian of Calma	Members of the Committee
	101.5 lbs. at \$10 cwt\$6.15	The personnel of the National Com-
	Feed Consumed:	mittee for Farm Production Supplies
	Lbs. ewt.	
	146 Gr. Wheat at \$2.00 \$2.92	includes Louis J. Taber, Master of the
	146 Gr. Corn at 1.60	National Grange; Edward A. O'Neal,
	73 Gr. Oats at 1.75 1.28	
	76 Sh. Corn at 1.52 1.16	president of the American Farm Bur-
	The state of the s	eau Federation; M. W. Thatcher,
	Cost of feed consumed\$7.70	
	SUMMARY	chairman of the national legislative
	Cost of feed consumed\$7.70	committee of the Farmers Educational
	Value of 1011/2 lbs. gain 6.15	and Co-operative Union of America;
		and Co-operative Union of America;
	NET LOSS on feed\$1.55	and Clark L. Brody, member of the
	Cost to produce	board of directors of the National
	one pound of pork121/2¢	
	Ted Wallace, manager at Cold-	Council of Farm Co-operatives.
	water Co-op, adds this comment:	Also, members of the nine-man
	water co-op, adds this comment.	Former Cooperatives Defense Com-

"These pigs were stunted, scurvy and Farmer Co-operatives Defense Comlousy when we got them. We cleaned mittee. They are: them up before starting the experiment. They have not had milk to Farmers Exchange, Springfield, Mass., spike their appetites along. The ex- Chairman. periment will continue another 30

5 Community Secretaries Honored

Five Community Farm Bureau sec- eries, Inc., Minneapolis, Minn. retaries have been awarded the fourth annual secretary's prize for having Supply Company, Chicago, III. done the best job of keeping the State Farm Bureau informed of their local meetings through their monthly reports for the year ending Oct. 1. They are:

Mrs. Ellen Smith, Sauble River Community Farm Bureau, Mason

Mrs. Ruth Rosenberg, Bethany Community Farm Bureau, Gratiot tremely difficult to select the out-Mrs. Manley Dorr, Blumfield-Buena

Vista Community Farm Bureau, Sag-Flossie Adams, South Thornapple Barry County; Bridgeport, Saginaw; inaw County. Brookside, Newaygo; Burlington-Rich, Community Farm Bureau, Barry

County. Irene Hitchings, North Street Community Farm Bureau, St. Clair county, Hillsdale; Reading, Hillsdale; Sagretaries because of the completeness inaw-Kochville, Saginaw; Superior, The prizes were awarded their secof their twelve monthly reports, the Washtenaw. content of their minutes and the procedure used in writing up the will be presented to the five outstandminutes. Promptness in getting the ing Community Farm Bureau Secrerport to the state office after each taries at this time next year. Is your

local meeting is very important. The 192 Community Farm Bureau ing to help your secretary win this secretaries, this past year, have all award?

Charlie McNeill, Mississippi Federated Co-operatives, Jackson, Miss.

The Farmer Co-operatives Defense Supplement for Hogs Committee was organized at a meetmarketing co-operatives which handle farm supplies, in Chicago, September and a special committee on priorities appointed by the National Council of lbs. of gain. Farmer Co-operatives met simultaneously in Washington. Members of the two committees conferred together from time to time during the day, and in the afternoon the two groups met jointly to consider their common topic-the problem of adequate production supplies for agri-

The Council's special committee passed a resolution calling for establishment of a national committee, composed of the members of the Farmer Co-operatives' Defense Committee, and one representative from each of the general farm organizations. The Farmer Co-operative Defense Committee concurred in the resolution, with the result that the National Committee for Farm Production Supplies has been created.

The new committee has approved an operating budget, with financing provided by the co-operatives par-

Job is to Assure Materials PRODUCE MORE Clark L. Brody, executive secretary EGGS, BUT DON'T is a member of the National Commit-tee for Farm Production Supplies It

was organized at Washington, October Demand and Prices are Good; 11 by leaders of the nation's four Expansion Costly and major farm organizations-the Farm

Dangerous By R. CONOLLY

Council of Farmers' Co-operatives, Michigan Poultry Improvement Ass'n In Michigan the average farmer determine the profits (if any) in self- 40% of the total farm supplies bus- keeps from 75 to 150 chickens. The total investment in poultry on many tein hog supplement as against feed- Purpose of the National Commit- Michigan farms hardly exceeds the ing hogs the same grains by hand and tee for Farm Production Supplies is value of one good cow. There are to provide the national defense pro. many reasons for such a small flock July 21, Mortimer, weighing 40 lbs., gram with an advisory and co-ordin- and investment but we believe the was put in a pen to be fed a ground ating committee from Farm co-opera. chief reason is the average low egg

Egg prices have been steadily rising since last spring. The Department of Agriculture has supported egg prices at 22c and poultry meat at Establishment of the national com-16c (Chicago prices and grades) since

In September, the Department of ery through which agriculture can Agriculture announced that it would support prices at 85% of parity until government regulations affecting the December 31, 1942. This price supavailability of supplies for farm proporting measure was taken to enduction. This work was reported in courage increased production of eggs the Michigan Farm News, October 4. for increased home consumption and The U. S. Dep't of Agriculture's of- shipment to Great Britain.

fice of Defense Relations has welcom- Egg prices are now 66% and meat ed the formation of the national com- prices 33% higher than a year ago. mittee. The defense program Office Feed prices are also rising but not so of Production Management is interest- rapidly or in proportion to egg and ed. It is believed that the national poultry prices. We now have one of committee can do a great deal to the most favorable feed-egg and feedassure farmers needed supplies and chicken ratios of recent years. The can eliminate the necessity for in- war and war conditions may continue dividual requests for priorities and al- for several years.

locations on the part of farmers, farm- Bear Down on Existing Equipment

r co-operatives and farm organiza- We do not believe location, that we can hold European The National Council of Farmers markets long after conditions become Co-operatives at Washington will act settled. Expansion of laying houses as the "spearhead" in the committee's and the expenditure of capital is not negotiations with defense agencies sound or justified by existing condiand other government departments. tions. We can, however, by remodel-Direction of the program will be by ling old and used buildings increase Ezra T. Benson, executive secretary our space for additional layers. The for the Council. Headquarters for poultry flock can be increased in a the committee have been established short time efficiently by using existin the Council office at 1731 Eye ing equipment. One can care for 150 layers with practically the same labor as 100 layers.

Mr. Poultryman, here are the condi-The personnel of the National Committee for Farm Production Supplies tions, the prices and the profits you includes Louis J. Taber, Master of the have been seeking. What are you go-National Grange; Edward A. O'Neal, ing to do about it? We now need a president of the American Farm Bur- 10% increase in egg production. We eau Federation; M. W. Thatcher, may need a greater increase next chairman of the national legislative year.

College Says Corn and

There are two feeding programs of corn and 42 lbs, of tankage. ing of purchasing co-operatives and for making 100 lbs. of pork, accord-

(2) Much better: - Feed 644 bushels of corn and 63 lbs. of high protein supplement feed, or 7 bushels

Corn and supplement or tankage ing to Vern A, Freeman, Michigan furnishes pigs with proteins, miner-10. On September 17, this committee State College live stock specialist: als and vitamins in proper balance so (1) Feed 11 bushels of corn for 100 that the pigs gain much faster and do it economically.



THANK the railroads for that addition to the of perishable crops by rail that makes it possible for every village in America to enjoy the benefits of vitamin-rich fresh fruits and vegetables throughout

Rail movement makes the market for perishables national instead of local.

Orderly marketing by rail makes possible specialized crops grown in sections where soil and climate are favorable. And this has led to marketing associations, grading standards, stabilized price structure, a more adequate return for the producer and assurance of quality and abundant supply for the consumer. STORES THE PLAN

The prosperity of every business in the country is intimately tied up with the prosperity of the railroads, and this is particularly true of farming. Nothing else could supply the efficient, economical mass transportation that is necessary to bring farm products to market.



WET OR DRY BEAN HARVEST

THE Elevator Exchange HAS THE ANSWER
IN ITS DRYING AND PICKING PLANT DON'T GIVE UP if your beans are wet. Take

them to the Farmers Co-operative Elevator Company. Any beans the elevator is unable to

handle can be sent to our terminal picking and drying plant, the Michigan Elevator Exchange at Port Huron. Don't wait too long! Wet beans get worse, not better, with excess moisture content.

We have helped others to get better returns on their crops, and we can help you. During the wet harvest of 1936 we dried and made merchantable a very large quantity of wet beans. They would have been worthless in a short time.

REMEMBER, if your beans are running over 18 per cent of moisture, they should be taken care of at once.

OFFICES...221 NORTH CEDAR ST...LANSING, MICHIGAN

BARRY'S RURAL **URBAN BANQUET GREAT SUCCESS**

Purpose to Promote Better Understanding Between Two Groups

By EVERETT YOUNG

Farm Bureau District Representative One hundred sixty members of the Barry County Farm Bureau and 140 members of the Hastings Chamber of Commerce met for a rural-urban banquet at the Odd Fellows Hall in Hastings the evening of October 22. President C. J. Reid and Mrs. Reid were

This affair was an outgrowth of a desire upon the part of the Barry Farm Bureau board, under the leadership of Mrs. Claude Hoffman, president, for a better understanding between farmers and city people. To lay plans for the meeting, each organization had a committee appointed composed of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hoffman, Merritt Bryant, and George Clouse, representing the Farm Bureau, Mr. Earl Boyes, president of the Chamber of Commerce, appointed Warren Carter and George Carpenter to work with him. Mr. Carter acted as general chairman.

Foundations for Democracy

can only survive if its citizens follow the teachings of their respective faiths, whether it be Protestant, Catholic, or Jewish. Education fits the people to better govern themselves. Following a vocation, best suited to one's own talents, makes a country better able to provide the goods and services for its people. He pointed out that the caused the serious shortage of skilled workers for national defense.

Mr. Reid reviewed the history of vocational education. agriculture, showing the over-expan- About 5,000 of these have been country has been the Farm Bureau sion which occurred during the first trained in rural areas according to goal. World War, and the struggle by the the office of Harry E. Nesman, chief Bureau Urges State Direction farmer over the years following to of the agricultural division. He super- Another Farm Bureau recommendaput himself in equal position with in- vises this phase of the program. dustry and labor.

The Farm Program Bureau Federation. This program was chase of equipment in rural areas. Education of the several states." set up so as to be flexible enough to conform to any situation. We have NATIONAL LEADERS witnessed it when their need was for limitation of production. Now we see the program expanding agricultural production to meet the demands of the nations fighting Hitler. Whether in an expanding or contracting economy, AFBF CONVENTION the principle of soil conservation will be followed so that the coming genera- Wickard, Bankhead, Cannon erished in its fertility nor ruined by

Established by C. of C.

in time bound themselves together Nov. 1.

Kim Sigler's Response

member of the Barry County Farm Bu- paign, believing with him that food What's parity, anyway? Congress now known as a blood procurement reau, termed himself as an agricul- will win the war and write the peace. has told the Secretary of Agriculture project. This undertaking is a part of turist: "One who makes his money "Much of the convention program to support prices at 85 per cent of the effort under which a huge blood to support prices at 85 per cent of the effort under which a huge blood to the support prices at 85 per cent of the effort under which a huge blood to the support prices at 85 per cent of the effort under which a huge blood to the support prices at 85 per cent of the effort under which a huge blood to the support prices at 85 per cent of the effort under which a huge blood to the support prices at 85 per cent of the effort under which a huge blood to the support prices at 85 per cent of the effort under which a huge blood to the effort un

Human Nutrition

Hidden hungers reduce our health and abilities and increase our susceptibility to disease. Dr. Parran, surgeon general of the United States, says we knew more about bacteriology in 1900 than we know about human nutrition today.

CREDITS ON PURCHASES

Help Pay Farm Bureau Dues!

MAIL YOUR DEALER SALES SLIPS to the Michigan State Farm Bureau, Membership Dep't, 221 North Cedar St. Lansing about every three months, and finally, not less than 20 days before your new membership year starts.

MCRR May Offer Rates

To AFBF Convention

The State Farm Bureau membership year starts.

But the prices of things farmers buy went up and the parity price went up with them. And in August of 1941, parity for butterfat was at 33.1 cents.

That's why a price guarantee should

BE SURE Farm Bureau Brand, Unico and Co-op Brands are entered on the slip, as Farm Bureau Alfalfa, Mermash, Fertilizer, etc., Unico fence, etc., Co-op

will issue you a card statement of your membership credit, if a membership credit is available that year. You may present it for credit to your County Farm Bureau Scoretary, together with the balance necessary, if any, to complete your payment of \$5 membership dues.

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

Life members receive their Member-ship Credits in cash once a year.

MICHIGAN STATE FARM BUREAU Lansing, Michigan



President Reid of the Farm Bureau gave an address on the four funda- Public Schools Training ligion, education, vocation, and agri- Many for Defense Jobs culture. Mr. Reid said that a nation Many for Defense Jobs

Congress Grants Farm Bureau crease for the rural youth training with him from home. Plea to Expand Rural Vocational Training

been trained for jobs in defense in sult of Farm Bureau action, enjoy an anbalanced training of youth has dustry by the public schools of Mich- increased appropriation during the igan during the past year according coming year. A definite policy of

As a solution for over production, applications for this training, the when the appropriations committee growing out of plowing up our grass Farm Bureau recently asked that the inserted a paragraph providing "that lands, mechanization of agriculture federal appropriation for rural youth all training or educational programs along with loss of our foreign markets, training be increased from 10 to 15 for youth employed by the National a national farm program was outlined, million dollars. The Farm Bureau Youth Administration on work pronot by politicians, but by organized also recommended that an additional jects shall be under the control and farmers lead by the American Farm \$4,000,000 be provided for the pur- supervision of the State Boards of

Congress granted a \$9,000,000 in use the meager supply he had brought program.

\$325,000 for Michigan Schools

Approximately \$325,000 was used in Michigan for this purpose in the past Approximately 50,000 persons have year and Michigan should, as the reto George H. Fern, state director of making defense training available to rural as well as urban sections of the

tion was incorporated in the U.S. Pointing out that rural vocational Department of Labor and Federal departments have been swamped with Security Agency Appropriation bill

Invites Members

To Annual Meeting

(Continued from Page 1.)

tive secretary and treasurer, Clark L.

Brody, reports of the credentials,

rules and resolutions committees,

nominations for eight directors

And Arnold Coming To Chicago

ton, N. Y., Chamber of Commerce established the first County Farm and Assistant Attorney-General Thur affairs.

man Arnold are among the speakers Annual Dinner Bureau in the nation for the purpose who will address the 28rd annual The principal social event of increasing agricultural production. convention of the American Farm the annual dinner of the Farm Bur- Red Cross, he will have no need to especially with our bankers. who will address the 28rd annual The principal social event will be problem is now well-known to the always had it and it has helped a lot, Bureaus over great areas they fed. cember 8-11, Edward A. O'Neal, pres. building, State College. The meeting erated into State organizations which ident of the Federation, announced will be addressed by the Rev. Robert D. Richards, pastor of the Immanuel

forming the American Farm Bureau Patriotism and national defense Methodist church of Detroit. He is a Cross goes much further than fur-Federation. All past ties were broken will be the general theme around noted speaker. to give farmers entire control of their which the program will be arranged, according to the Federation's president. "Naturally," he said, "we are PARITY IS CAN TIED In response to Mr. Reid's address, backing Secretary Wickard 100 per Kim Sigler, Hastings lawyer, and a cent in his 'food for freedom' cam. TO DOG'S TAIL

in town and spends it in the country, will be devoted to problems created parity whenever he calls for increased plasma reservoir is being created for Mr. Sigler said that the greatest or intensified by the defense effort, production. Secretary Wickard has use by the army and navy in giving need of our time is for the philosophy We of the Farm Bureau are deeply called for increased production on of friendship and understanding to be concerned over the problem of pre milk, pork, chickens and eggs, and has Present plans call for the establishthe rule among nations and the key to venting inflation. Farm prices on pledged support of these products on ment of a bank with 200,000 units, a better understanding among the eco- the average are now at parity, or fair the 85 per cent level. nomic groups in America: Industry, exchange levels, and it is vitally im- But what is parity? We found a ed whole blood, the normal amount portant that this condition of econ- farmer the other day who said, "It taken from the average donor. omic balance between agriculture and isn't fair to keep farm prices around farm prices."

> Bureau favors whatever degree of (parity for farm products). price control as may be necessary to That's how it goes. Parity goes up that may suddenly confront them. prevent inflation, but that if indus and down as prices of things farmers On the other hand, through its more controlled, then there should also be the parity price is the price per es, the Red Cross reaches out to every

ship relations dep't is investigating be stated, not in dollars, but in a fixed rien and Branch County Farm Burspecial railroad rates over the Michi- percentage of parity. For a fixed eaus that membership workers from gan Central railroad from Detroit to price may look silly if other prices each township are being or will short-Chicago for the American Farm Bur- rise fast. But parity takes into con- ly be called together to bring them-MEMBERSHIP RELATIONS DEP'T eau Federation convention, Dec. 8 sideration all other rising prices and selves up-to-date on Farm Bureau to 11. Round trip from Detroit keeps pace. The dog with a can tied matters. It is proposed that they will would be \$8.55. From Niles \$2.80, to his tail can't gain ground on the meet at least monthly around the dinand other amounts along the line can. And a rising price level can't ner table from now on and discuss Train would leave Detroit Sunday leave parity behind.—Editorial, Wal- plans for the 1942 membership camthe 7th about 2 p. m. and arrive at laces' Farmer & Iowa Homestead. Chicago about 8 p. m. For further information, write the membership rerelations dep't.

southern states.

Soil Conservation Notice

Each 1% short of having 20% of Some 310 tons of live bees were the farm acreage in soil conservation There is no folly equal to that of shipped via Railway Express in the practice will cost the co-operator 5% throwing away friendship in a world spring of 1941 by breeders in seven of his soil conservation payment in where friendship is so rare.—Edward 1942, according to the AAA.

AMERICAN RED **CROSS SERVES** MEN IN CAMPS

Supplies Them; Reaches Every Community

marches on its stomach. While mili- Ypsilanti, Wastenaw county, is a well tary experts and others are all in equipped farmers elevator that did agreements with this axiom, yet the nearly a quarter of a million dollar individual soldier must still use his business last year. It has a net feet. And, unless he is well-shod, and worth of more than \$61,000 and an incidentally, well-socked, it won't be earned surplus of nearly \$14,000. long before he will begin to limp.

at Lowery Field, Denver, Colorado, re- to tell us how they started, what ceived a package from the American happened, and what he thinks has Red Cross containing two pairs of contributed much to their present well-knit socks. Now, ordinally two success. Mr. Wilson said: pairs of socks would mean next to nothing in the life of a private in the boom time of 1920, with a good fireall well-supplied with clothing from

These Were Special Socks

But in this particular instance these two pairs of socks made all the difference in the world. Many people pride themselves on their small feet, but in this case it was just the other way 'round. When the recruit arrived in camp it was soon discovered he building today is as good as the day there and the quartermaster was in- Early Problems deed hard put to find a pair of shoes, size 15 AAA, in stock. And as for ed without adequate financing. A big socks, he simply did not have any debt had to be carried at 6 to 7% and the private had to continue to



But as he marched and countermarched over the parade grounds, waited ten years without a grumble. learning the rudiments of close order feet of his socks.

(Thursday afternoon), consideration of resolutions committee report (Thursday and Friday), election of directors (Friday), new business, ad-To give the Chamber of Commerce
members a review of the background
Wickard, Senator John H. BankBlackburn of the American Farm
size to allow for shrinkage were de- a careful audit by certified accountlivered to the young soldier. Hence- ants every six months. Many times Thursday afternoon Secretary at all two pairs of socks of ample 5. A good system of accounting and complain insofar as his socks are 6. We convinced our farmers that concerned.

However the military and naval before we paid dividends. welfare service of the American Red nishing personal supplies to men in the armed forces.

Early this year, in response to a joint request from the surgeons general of the army and navy, the American Red Cross established what is

unit representing one pint of process-

This project is but one of many other groups be maintained during parity when prices of other goods are being conducted by the American Red the national emergency. I feel cer going up." He was surprised when he Cross in the field of national defense. tain that our Farm Bureau people was told that parity price allowed for At every military camp and naval will not endorse any movement de- the rise in price of other goods. Par. base, in every army and navy hospisigned to force unsound inflation of ity is like a can tied to a dog's tail, tal, trained Red Cross personnel is The dog (prices of other products) stationed, ready to assist the men in Mr. O'Neal said that the Farm can't move any faster than the can uniform and their families meet any of the many non-military problems

trial prices and farm prices are to be buy go up and down. By definition, than 3,700 chapters and 6,000 branch-NOTICE TO MEMBERS: controlled, then there should also be the parity price is the price per es, the Red Cross reaches out to every counchases of Farm Bureau brand goods are sligible to Membership Credits when declared: Farm Bureau Brand dairy, poultry and other feeds, seeds, fertillzers; Unico Brands of fence, roofing, petroleum products, binder twine, paints, insecticides: Co-op Brands of farm machinery and electrical appliances.

Controlled, then there should also be the parity price is the price per es, the Red Cross reaches out to every bushel or per pound that will buy as county, every community, every counties of non-farm goods now as try crossroad. Thus it forms a perticulation of their prices at parity price is the price per es, the Red Cross reaches out to every bushel or per pound that will buy as county, every community, every community, every community, every community, every community, every counties of non-farm goods now as try crossroad. Thus it forms a perticulation of protection of their prices at parity price is the price per bushel or pound that will buy as county, every community, every commu But the prices of things farmers buy

Berrien and Branch with them. And in August of 1941, Preparing for 1942

paigns.

It strikes us that that procedure is pretty sound and bound to get results.

Bulwer-Lytton.

YPSILANTI FARM **BUREAU HAS** A FINE RECORD

Finds Soldier's Needs and Located in Industrial Area, It Draws Trade from Long Distances

Napoleon it was who said an army Ypsilanti Farm Bureau Ass'n at

Frank B. Wilson has been its man-Early in April of this year a private ager from the start. We asked him

proof, 25,000-bushel capacity elevator and warehouse. It was built at the peak of high prices on a time and material basis. If I remember right, cement was about \$4.00 a barrel, and carpenters were getting about \$1.50 an hour. The original cost was way up but the building was well built. The saving in depreciation and insurance has been a lot. The

Like most other co-ops, it was startinterest. The old investment note plan was used and those notes drew 6% interest also. While many co-ops with a smaller investment could build up good will by quick divi- Farm Groups Sponsor Large dends, we had to take about ten years to get in shape even to pay interest on stock.

Our special problem has been our location in a highly industrialized area. Thousands of acres of good farms have been subdivided or used for factory sites. Our business has been able to grow because we have gradually enlarged our trade area. We have many customers coming twelve to fifteen miles. How We Got Out

Some of the factors which have contributed to our working out of the mess were as follows:

1. A good board of directors. They have attended monthly meetings regularly.

the board or between the board and pieces and others. All had won the manager. The same president, George right to be included in the tour as W. McCalla; the same secretary, E. delegates. D. Foster; and the same manager for The party spent a half day sight seeover 20 years.

Men who invested their money and FFA convention and the stock show.

4. Good wages paid employees. I drill, holes began to appear in his believe we are much above the aversocks. They grew larger until there age in this respect. Since the days was comparatively little left in the of the NRA we have had the fiveday week of 45 hours. Our labor In the meantime, however, the turnover has been light, most of our man's plight had come to the atten- men have been with us many years. tion of the Red Cross director. Short- Girls in the office do not last quite so ly he had two of the local chapters' well, as the farm boys take them for

livered to the young soldier. Hence- ants every six months. Many times forth, as long as he is stationed at we have felt that we could not afford Lowery Field where his particular to pay for this audit, but we have

it was good business to pay the debts

7. All grain has been marketed

change. As we increase in wisdom vention and appeared on the national we are giving the Farm Bureau Ser- Farm and Home hour program. vices more of our business. Dividends Build Membership

retire old stock. This is building up and Milwaukee railroads.

our membership. of Wastenaw county with Farm Bur- accompanied the party. eau petroleum products. This company does about \$100,000.00 worth of Ask Equal Rights for business a year and has paid dividends every year. It is not quite as strong financially as the parent organization, but it is gaining every

Present equipment at the elevator consists of one attrition mill, one large hammer mill, three one-ton mixers, a small pre-mixer, seed and grain cleaning equipment, corn cracker and grader, corn sheller, two

coal conveyors, and three trucks. Employees at the mill are: Manager, Frank B. Wilson; assistant manager, Walter P. Brown, two girls in the office, five men in the mill, five men on trucks and coal yard. The oil company, under the same management, has four men at the retail station and three truck drivers.

FARM BUREAU AIDS FFA BOYS ON KANSAS CITY TRIP

Delegation to Annual Convention

This is the fifth year that the Michigan State Farm Bureau has joined with other farm groups to sponsor a large delegation of Future Farmers of America boys from agricultural high schools to their national convention and to the Royal Live Stock show at Kansas City.

October 18 some 225 boys assembled at Lansing, Jackson, Battle Creek, Kalamazoo and Niles to make the trip by train. They were the state officers and chapter presidents of the FFA, live stock and poultry 2. Never any serious dissension on judging teams, the FFA band of 70

ing in Chicago. At Kansas City the 3. A small but loyal membership, boys divided their time between the

through the Michigan Elevator Ex. Their band gave concerts at the con-

Sponsors for the trip were: Mich igan State Farm Bureau, Michigan Two years ago our by-laws were Milk Producers Ass'n, State Ass'n of Two years ago our by-laws were future Farmers of America, Vocation changed and we are now on the re- Future Farmers of America, Vocation volving stock plan; patronage divi- al Agril Teachers' Ass'n. The trip dends paid in stock, and cash used to was made over the New York Central

Benjamin Hennink of the Micht. Our directors started the Wastenaw gan State Farm Bureau, Harry Nes. Farmers Oil Company about five man, chief of agr'l education for years ago as a separate company. It Michigan, and Luke Kelly, sec'y of was organized to service the farmers the Michigan Future Farmers Ass'n

Co-ops in Coal Trade

Senate Bill 1315, the LaFollette-Ball-Capper Bill, would amend the Bituminous Coal Act to give the coops equad rights with private profit business. House Joint Resolution 59, introduced by Congressman Voorbles. calls for the creation of a commission including three representatives of the co-operative movement, to make plans for the post-war crisis. Write your congressmen in support of these pro-

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Over the State with the Junior Farm Bureau

Convention At College November 8

Forty-seven Junior Farm Bureaus will be represented by some 600 delegates at the sixth annual convention of the Junior Farm Bureau at Fairchild theatre at State College, Saturday, November 8.

Business includes the reports of state officers, adoption of resolutions of policy for the ensuing year, and the election of officers.

The evening banquet program at the Union building includes the presentation of trophys of Junior groups for their achievements. Five finalists in the top notch talker contest conducted during the day will present their orations. The top notch talker award will be made. The ceremony of installing the newly elected officers will conclude the dinner program. The annual party will follow in demonstration hall ballroom.

igan State Farm Bureau, representatives from Michigan commodity mar- tary service at Fort Custer, October County Agent R. F. Bittner introduclege, Central and Western State Teachers' College, Farmers & Manu- tion building at Camp Roberts, Cali- who gave a very interesting talk and farm press to the number of 50 or more have been invited to the evening program as state guests by local

FFA Champion Earned morning. During the week, though,

Neb., won the Star American Farm- clean and our beds comfortable. We er award and \$500 at the Future have our blue denim uniforms for Farmers of America convention at work and our regulation brown uni- skating party at Dowagiac as guests NAMES WORKERS Kansas City the week of October 20. forms for dress. Here at the post we of the Marcellus group. Oct. 30 a

the Randolph, Neb., high school from buy most anything, a recreation build. were held in Van Buren county. 1937 through 1940, borrowing money ing, churches, theatres, boxing ring, GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY from his father and from the local and athletic equipment. bank to start his Duroc Jersey hog tains, sand, and sun, about half way of the members and new officers. Hardation helped develop later projects in corn, barley, baby chicks, potatoes, registered bull and two heifers.

worked out an efficient plan for use a labor income of more than \$5,500.

Juniors Sponsor Farm News Contest

A goal of not less than 500 Junior Michigan Farm News has been set to be reached by 5 p. m. Nov. 8th.

chairmen of local Junior Farm Bur- Camp Roberts, California." eaus to secure more subscriptions to the Michigan Farm News among members? Will he hear from us? J. F. B. members was initiated at the state J. F. B. council meeting in Lansing, September 27.

The contest was outlined by Chester Clark, state publicity chairman, In Co-ops 14 Years and approved by the council. Miss Russell Johnson, new manager of and Russell Bower, Clinton publicity age of 29. chairman, as captain for the west Starting at the age of 15, he has the winners will wear silver crowns supplies. at the convention banquet Nov. 8. charge of contest arrangements.

Yaeger to Address Ohio Farm Bureau

will address a breakfast-conference board of directors attended. session for Ohio County Farm Bureau legislation and education activities, Egg Grading at Fremont of the Farm Bureau program at their Company has established a federal at a regional party at the Edmore will help greatly to keep these mem-Nov. 27-28.

More than 4000 members of farm families in Ohio are expected for the annual state Farm Bureau conclave. Michigan.

Station Location
WELL Battle Creek
WIBM Jackson

WFDF Flint WHLS Port Huron

Michigan Livestock Exch.

Detroit Stockyards

At Camp Roberts



CHESTER CLARK, PUBLICITY CHAIRMAN - JR. FARM BUREAU

Officers and directors of the Mich- from November, 1940 through the edi- licity manager, Sara Leach, and assistion for October, 1941, entered mili- tant publicity manager, Hazel Jones.

fornia. The fellows are sitting around, showed movies on various activities listening to the football games, and from Marcellus Junior Farm Bureau. some are outdoors playing games. Oct, 21 at a roller skating party at We are free each week end from Sat- Dowagiac guests were present from on Nov. 8. Delegates elected were \$5,500 in School Years letics are strenuous. Chow is swell othy Jones. Convention plans were Duane Munter, 18, of Coleridge, and plenty of it. Our barracks are discussed. He took vocotional agriculture at have a post exchange where we can

> between San Francisco and Los ry Heller discussed Junior Farm Bur-Angeles, and about 100 miles from eau camps in Michigan. Toastmaster any good-sized town. 450 of us came Roger Foerch introduced Ralph C. teen weeks the only people we shall President, Ralph Bohrer; vice-presi- convention at the College Nov. 8.

er's about April 1, making best use exams and inducted at the Detroit ed a gift to Hiram Witkop, Junior for the convention. of buildings and equipment. Duane Armory the 9th. We were sent to Farm Bureau member, who will soon pays his father for all pasture rent Fort Custer that evening, given exams, be inducted into U. S. army service. group are: Program—Avis Sauffer, National Emergency Farm meeting uniforms, and lectures during the A party was also held at the Birmly Ray Vasold, Wilbur Saldeen; member- August 18 & 19, 1941. grams while in school brought him night. We boarded the train the after- Community hall at which games and ship-Emery Smith, Dorn Diehl, and WEST JEFFERSON-Hillsdale noon of the 10th, only ten minutes dancing were enjoyed and a potluck Marjorie Frost. Miss Frost will repafter being notified that we were supper was served. going to California. We rode for three KALAMAZOO COUNTY the morning of the 14th. We travelled mazoo County Junior Farm Bureau in twelve Pullman cars.

get some mail from Michigan, is: ident, Charles Pancake; vice-presiPrivate Chester F. Clark, Company C. don't Manual Ma Farm Bureau subscriptions to the should like it, and I would like to ity officers. County officers are: Pres-Private Chester F. Clark, Company C, dent, Maynard Williams; secretary, 5 for the coming year. He was elect-81st Infantry Training Battalion, Ruby Perkins; treasurer, Harold Per- ed at a district meeting. A contest among the publicity 81st Infantry Training Battalion,

How about it, Junior Farm Bureau Wise. Southeast Community officers

Manager, 29, Has Been

Mary Jane Alexander, Genesee J.F.B. the Elsie Co-operative Creamery, ger; and publicity chairman, Joyce publicity chairman was chosen as Clinton county, has 14 years of co- Haag. Northwest officers are: Chaircaptain for the east side of the state, operative business experience at the man, Lloyd Crondite; vice-chairman,

side. Subscriptions will be sold to been associated with co-operative Marjorie Buckham. J.F.B. members whose parents do not creameries at Ridgeland and at Amalready receive the Farm News. The ery, Wisconsin. At Ridgeland, the \$100 scholarship for outstanding work losing group of county publicity creamery had its own credit union in rural organizations. chairmen will wear dunce caps and and handled a complete line of farm

Edwin Kohler, publicity, chairman ing full cream cheese on government liam O'Brieter took part in the Topof the North Lapeer J.F.B. is in order, as well as its usual line of but. Notchers Talking contest. ter, condensed milk and powdered MONTCALM COUNTY milk.

Mr. Johnson has entered into his dent, Perry Rossman; vice-president, job with a great deal of enthusiasm and is co-operating very well with the J. F. Yaeger, director of organiza- Farm Bureau. At the last series of tion for the Michigan Farm Bureau, Co-op Clinic meetings his entire

The Fremont Co-operative Produce 23rd annual meeting at Columbus, egg grading service in co-operation high school. with the U. S. Dep't of Agriculture.

1,000 saw mills are working in

Station Location
WOOD Grand Rapids
WBCM Bay City
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WXYZ Detroit

Producers Co-op Ass'n

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Around State With Junior Farm Bureau

BERRIEN COUNTY

its regular meeting Oct. 20 at the Steinke; vice-president, Robert Till-Young; and publicity reporter, Florence French. Announcement was made of the state convention, plans for which will be completed at the were played. Music furnished by a string trio from La Porte, Ind. CASS COUNTY

At the Oct. 7 meeting new officers were installed: President, Dorothy Jones; vice-president, Hilda Pjesky; Chester Clark, editor of this page gram chairman, Joyce Swisher; pubsecretary-treasurer, Cora Bower; proed Mr. Wilt of the short course de-"As I write this, I am in the recrea- partment at Michigan State College some reading, some writing, some on the campus. Guests were present

urday noon until reveille Monday Marcellus and from Berrien county. Guerdon Frost and Amy Fee. work is hard, and drilling and ath- Oct. 27 at the home of President Dor-

> Oct. 28 the group went to a roller district meeting and Halloween party

"We are located in the bare moun- eau sponsored a banquet for parents Young Munter and his father have see will be the 29,000 soldlers here. dent, Harry Heller; secretary, Wilma

"My address here, in case anyone tion of the new county and communiam Smith was second. kins; and publicity chairman, George are: Chairman, Margaret Pease; vicesyth; secretary-treasurer, Gerald Wa-Philip Sleeman: secretary-treasurer, Carol Seelye; and publicity chairman,

Esther Brown has been awarded a

A district meeting was held Oct. 25 with St. Joseph County doing the en-The Elsie Co-op Creamery is mak- tertaining. Robert Brown and Wil-

> Newly elected officers are: Presi-Herman Roder; secretary, Lena Roder; treasurer, Arnold Kohler, all of Lakeview; publicity chairman, Bette Green; recreation leader, Clayton Maule, both of Greenville; and discussion leader, Charles Johnson of

> Riverdale. Oct. 21 the Montcalm group entertained Isabella and Gratiot counties

MUSKEGON COUNTY

The Muskegon County Junior Farm riet Beckman, W. Mary Mayo hall, Bureau was host to the Mason, Oceana East Lansing. and Genesee county organizations Oct. Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hennink attended the meeting. Potluck dinner was served outdoors to about fifty representatives of the various groups. Arthur Koule from Dalton in Muske gon county was chosen district representative. The group then proceeded to look over the property on Lake Michigan which may be a possible

NORTH LAPEER JUNIOR

FARM BUREAU A special meeting of the North Lapeer Junior Farm Bureau was held at the Burnside high school Oct. 21 to install these new officers: President, Leo Esper; vice-president, Paul Kreiner; secretary-treasurer, Margaret Martus; publicity chairman, Edwin Kohler; and recreational leader, Dorothy Potter. Donald Herron and Edwin Kohler were elected as delegates to the state convention Nov. 8. A large number expect to attend the convention from this group. Margaret Martus was selected to represent

peer county potato show. South Lapeer and North Lapeer lisle Burns.

Junior Farm Bureau groups held a Community joint Halloween party which was a masquerade dance and games.

WEST ALLEGAN COUNTY

Bureau won the blue ribbon plus \$25 Activities in the special clubs exhibits at the Berrien Junior Farm Bureau held Allegan county fair. They also won first place, \$10, in the clubs division Berrien Center town hall. J. Burton at the Fennville horticulture show. Richards conducted the installation These two awards plus the clubs' of the new officers: President, Harold past record, brought enough attention represent Associated Women's Work. to the group to warrant an offer to A membership chairman has been strom; secretary-treasurer, Betty send a delegate to a convention for named by many of the groups. Hosrural young people's work in Nash- pital Service committees are being ville, Tennessee. Dorothy Watts re- appointed. Additional Community presented our group along with Flor- Farm Bureaus are being organized. next regular meeting on Nov. 3. Re- group. Mr. Wm. Fischer, president of the important projects in Commun-

> be given at the next meeting. WASHTENAW COUNTY

for the coming year's program.

On Oct. 21 the group entertained SHELBY COMMUNITY FARM Hillsdale, Lenawee, and Jackson BUREAU-Oceana County counties at a regional meeting at Washtenaw group was elected regional director. Plans were made for a greater number of regional meetings than were held during the past year. The Oct. 27 meeting was occupied with plans for the state convention

FOR CONVENTION

Preceding State Junior Meeting

Clinton Stokes, president of the Colsoy beans and sorghum; while a loan from Fort Custer for thirteen weeks Keyes, speaker of the evening. Fran- lege Junior Farm Bureau, is chairfrom the bank established Duane in basic infantry training. Then we'll cis Brakel, retiring president, con- man of the banquet committee for the purebred Angus beef cattle with a be sent elsewhere. During the thir- ducted the installation of new officers; sixth annual Junior Farm Bureau Bob Manby will have charge of the "We left home the evening of Octo- Lautner; treasurer, Roger Foerch; party arrangements, in co-operation of the home farm. The son's sows ber 8, stayed overnight at Hotel Fort and publicity chairman, Marian Al- with the Branch Junior Farm Bureau. farrow about March 1 and the fath- Shelby in Detroit, were given physical pers. Members of the group present- Wilbert Keinath is general chairman and enthusiastically compliment and

Committees appointed by the college

Arrangements have been completed for the Autumn Soiree, semi-formal chairman, Lynn Young; secretary. dance of the College Jr. Farm Bureau, treasurer, Joyce Parsons; and pub- Grange and 4-H club. Decorations licity chairman, Willard Frost. South- will be harvest scenes. Harold Mitwest officers are: Chairman, Ardis chell and Gerhard Gettel are repre-Farm Bureau and Jr. Farm Bureau ried. members, and any employee of the BINGHAM-Huron Farm Bureau is invited to attend this party which will be held at the Union ballroom on November 7, the night before the annual convention. Tommy Tabler and his 12 piece band featuring Linda Webber, vocalist, will furnish music. Reservations for tickets may be made by writing to Gerhard Gettel at 727 Linden St.,

East Lansing. Clinton Stokes has been selected to write a few papers for the American Youth Commission on some interesting rural projects. Suggestions are very welcome, Clinton says.

The new advisor of the College Jr. Farm Bureau, selected at the last meeting, will be Miss Jones of the college home economics dep't. All local Jr. Farm Bureaus are re-

minded to send in names of members of their local group who are either regular students or short course students at Michigan State College. This bers in contact with the Junior Farm Bureau. Send all names to Miss Har-

Mecosta County Farm **Bureau Organizes**

Forty-seven members of the Mecosta County Farm Bureau are interested in forming two Community Farm Bureaus. They are studying the group hospitalization plan offered Farm Bureau members. October 8 camp site for the Junior Farm Bureau. the group met at Stanwood and elected as County Farm Bureau directors: Orville Miller, Herbert Halverson of Morley: Albert Emmons and Clement oski of Stanwood. Ernest Ribble of State Farm Bureau annual meeting, bership signs, Herman Rogers of Morley is the al-

ternate delegate. The board elected these officers: Miller.

Logically speaking, we must either the group as potato queen at the La- abolish civilization or war, because worth while project. It is necessary

By MISS AMY M. FEE of Dexter, R-2, State Publicity Chairman for the JUNIOR FARM BUREAU

SOUTH THORNAPPLE-Barry

make them more welcome.

Mr. Beckman suggested the club

SAGINAW-KOCKVILLE—Saginaw

America and giving the salute to the

flag. Mrs. John Sample gave a talk

a sweater or help in that important

work. Mr. Reimer told about the

labor organization interferring with

the Farm Bureau do all it can for

agricultural transportation.

DUCK LAKE-Calhoun

RIVERTON-Mason

Farm Bureau

By KEITH A. TANNER

Membership Relations and Education Most of our groups have elected officers. Many are electing a woman to

ence Gregersen representing another The starting of new groups is one them with their new offices. A very good time was had by all. freshments were served and games of the group, accompanied the two. Hy Farm Bureau work. Every Farm CLARKSTON-Oakland Reports by these representatives will Bureau member should have a community group in his neighborhood. appoint a resolutions committee. Mrs. Has your Community Farm Bureau Stickney also suggested investigating New officers were installed at the and your County Farm Bureau anathe resolutions the State Farm Bur-Oct. 7 meeting of the Washtenaw Jun- lyzed the county's membership with for Farm Bureau and reports were this in mind? Why not take the setgiven on the state council meeting of ting up of a new group as one of your Sept. 27. Plans were also discussed first Community Farm Bureau projects?

Daniel Reed reported for the Farmwhich time Robert Gilbert of the to-Prosper committee. Projects mentioned were the improvement of the co-op hall and petitioning the highway department to mark certain dangerous places on our roads. Mr. Reed brought up the matter of extension of rural mail routes for better service of patrons.

KAWAWLIN COMMUNITY GROUP

Ordered a resolution be sent to the State Farm Bureau and also to the County Agent for an educationi pro-The warehouse storage law was dis-

NOTTAWA GROUP—Isabella

Farm Bureau camp.

LESLIE-Ingham

"We oppose any Federal policy which lond. may place maximum prices on com- LE VALLEY-lonia modities particularly those of agriculture, until such time as agricul- ing our group at the annual meeting in 1940 were approximately one-third ture is on an equal footing with in- was made up of Howard Hile, Mrs. as great as in 1920. dustry and labor; until a price ceiling is also fixed for labor and industry.

"We, the members of the Leslie Community Farm Bureau heartily tions on farm prices adopted by the

Mr. Duryea announced that two resent District 5 in the Tall Talkers M.S.C. scholarships for girls are contest at the convention. Professors available. The minute man, Ivan Maydays and four nights and arrived here At the Oct. 10 meeting of the Kala. Bagwell and Menchoffer of the col- stead reported that the state legislalege speech dep't declared her the ture has adjourned and the majority Ruth Early had charge of installa- winner in the district contest. Mar- of the new laws go into effect in 90

"Be it resolved that the Mayfield Community Farm Bureau group ask tatives and senators also our legislative representative of the Farm Bureau, both state and national, to work for the passage of a law demanding all railroads to have some form of illuminating paint, reflector lights or other form of brightness on Forsyth; vice-chairman, June For. senting the college Jr. Farm Bureau some small part of every side of in planning the party. Mitchell is every railroad car not having lights chairman of the ticket committee, All or other illumination." Motion car-

Roll call was responded to by giving our birth place.

LAWRENCE-Van Buren

With our first potluck supper we had a better attendance. A cordial and sociable atmosphere prevailed. Supper was superabundant. The meeting opened by all singing "America" and giving the salute to the flag. Norman Boyer reported a good response to the call for dues. DELHI-AURELIUS-Ingham

The Delhi-Aurelius Farm Bureau group had a joint meeting with the other community groups at the County Park for a basket dinner. There were 139 present. After dinner a group picture was taken. They then attended the County Fair-having a group of seats together in the grand stand. Every one wore a bright yellow badge, "Ingham County Farm Bureau".

COOPER-Kalamazoo

Mrs. Van Den Berg was selected timekeeper. Motion made by George Early to have the discussion be not longer than two minutes for each speaker.

ALBION-Calhoun

Mrs. Wiselogel extended an invitation to the Albion group to be guests at the Sheridan group's meeting at the Maccabee hall in Albion. Recreation was lead by Henry Powers, Elmer Ismond and Fred Kinney, members of the Junior Farm Bureau. MAPLE GROVE-Barry

Mrs. Hoffman stated that she had the Farm Bureau scrap-book nearly completed, also spoke about the Bennett of Big Rapids; Marks Sped- money voted to local groups by the county organization for local expen-Morley was named delegate to the ses and about the Farm Bureau mem-BRIDGEPORT—Saginaw

John Marthey gave a very good report from the Farm Bureau oil President, H. E. Halverson; vice-pres., convention. He also anounced we Marks Spedoski; sec'y-treas, Orville have 840 paid up members in Saginaw county GOODLAND-Lapeer

The Community Farm Bureau is a they cannot be harmonized .- C. De- that we each sacrifice a little to keep this movement going.

Lester Wolverton and Jay Chamber-Suggestion was made that com- lain.

munity groups such as the Farm Bur- WAKESNAM-Kalamazoo eau could take the place of "neigh- It was voted that we have our anboring" which seems to have gone nual Thanksgiving supper at the No-"out of style" in most places. Each vember meeting. Each family will

member present agreed to contact one furnish a lunch cloth. We cancelled of our members with a poor attend- our order for paper table covering to ance record and arge them to attend aid in conserving paper.

the next meeting and in other ways BROOKSIDE-Newaygo Mr. Speet is the delegate to the state convention in November. Mrs. Riverton Community Farm Burean Speet is the alternate Garret Hocker officers entertained, at a delightful is the representative on the county board for the coming year. Mrs. waffle supper, Thursday evening at the Martin Schwass home in honor of Mullett is to represent the Brookside the incoming officers and to acquaint Farm Bureau for the Associated Women's work,

CENTRAL-CASS-Cass Dorothy Jones and Cora Bowers gave splendid reports on the Junior Farm Bureau Camp. Lester Sammons gave a report of the western trip sponsored by the Michigan Farmer.

CENTRAL BARRY-Barry eau acted upon to see how many and Mrs. Rowley suggested having a which ones of those adopted went "hard-times" party at her home in into force. Mr. Baynes suggested we October which was accepted.

have a joint meeting with the Milk WESTERN ALLEGAN-Allegan Association and other Farm clubs to A bill before congress forbidding see if we could get more interest. the use of gas tank trucks to deliver gasoline to farmers was condemned. The meeting was opened by singing

ODESSA-lonia Arthur McCarthy gave a short talk on Odessa township purchasing new on the work of the Red Cross, and fire fighting equipment. asked if any one would like to knit

FABIUS-St. Joseph The large increase in membership has caused this group to divide into two divisions, to be known as the agricultural transportation. It was North and South Discussion groups of the sentiment of the meeting that the Fabius Farm Bureau. South group met October 21 with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gleason. Charles Beal led the discussion of the rural hospitalization Roll call was answered by each project. These officers were elected:

gram for the control of corn borer. member voicing his or her opinion Chairman, Frank Krull; vice chairconcerning government regulation. man, Arthur Seeley; secretary, Mrs. The consensus of opinion was that Sam Hagenbuck; discusion leader, regulation to a certain degree is de- Henry Gleason; minute man, Sam Earl Seybert, Jr., gave an interest- sirable if the governing power is still Hagenbuck; song and recreation lead-Grand Traverse Junior Farm Bur. Plans Autumn Party Night ing description of a day in the Junior in the hands of the voters. A report er, Mrs. Laverne Harder; pianist, Mrs. of a radio discussion on "Farm Par- Frank Krull. The group will meet ity Goals" was given by Thelma Bar- with Mr. and Mrs. LaVerne Harder, Tuesday evening, November 11.

A resolution committee represent- Losses due to fires on the railroads



WHAT DO YOU MEAN-IT'S ONLY A PENNY?

In my business, I know what a penny can mean - and when I stop to think how much a penny for electricity does -how much you can buy for so few cents-I know what it means to the family "bookkeeper" - the housewife.

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While prices of some things have gone up, that's not true of electricity. Cheap electricity is still your best bargain. Do you know, for example, that five pennies worth of electricity will do the weekly cleaning of rugs and carpets in the average size home? Use your electrical service to save in many ways.

Now's the time to buy electrical appliances. You'll be glad you did. Visit the dealers' stores . . . and ours, too.

Whatever your plan, or type of farming-our trained farm service men are on the job to Work with our customers in planning their uses and making the best use of electricity . . . That's a part of our co-operation with our farm customers. Once the service is in, we aim to live with it and see that it's good service.

Producer-Consumer Relationships

Background Material for Discussion in November By our 200 Community Farm Bureau Groups

By KEITH A. TANNER

past several weeks has had echoing in his ears the tramp-tramp-tramp the following comment: of feet. He is aware that it is no

are a fact finding institute and pos- of a good actor.) sibly they do find that farm prices How can we get the consumer and employment. Unemployment adds to have gone up 21% during the last producer thinking in terms of one eight months—but what about labor's another's problems when the cry is makes the laborer dependent on social 35%? Possibly, their dust covered for cheap food, lower living costs, Share Good Times, Bad Times pages reveal that farmers have been high wages, shorter hours, more ingetting along for the greater portion dustrial profits, better standards of ducts made in the cities, and the city of the last twenty years on prices living, priorities, new taxes, etc.? dwellers buy farm products. Conselower than today's quotations-but When certain people are trying to quently, one group is affected by the

shoulders above the under-current of producer. If we would only try to production is not reduced. from his once fertile acres; he had to ship which should exist between the both interested in improving health maintaining the democratic techdepend upon his family (children, two groups. and wife as well, in many cases) What the Farmer Buys expense of a hired man.

the camel can get along on two Fortune Magazine. straws for a day or two, does not mean that we should envy him getting back on regular feed.

Industrial Worker Doing Well

Louis H. Bean, Department of Agriculture Economist, points out that the average factory worker in 1929 had to spend about a third of his wage a standard food budget (58 items); so far this year he has had to spend about a fourth. This means, Mr. Bean points out, that the average than food than he had in 1929.

employed factory worker in 1929 had taking care of his food bills.

apply only to factory workers, but if for farm machinery and their repair. the same allowance for retail food We Have Similar Interests Government workers.

"The most effective way to prevent a ers: necessary that we now follow the favor of income and inheritance taxexample set in the case of Cuban es. High real estate taxes increase

Morgenthau's Remedy

Membership Relations and Education dian wheat in large volume."

march back to the soil or is it in the thau's proposal last week that the including the foods and other prodinterest of agriculture—there seems United States let down the bars to ucts which farmers sell. Income and to be a movement on foot, designed permit importation of Canadian to grind the farmer under the heels wheat was only his method of dramaof such thinking as Eccles' price in tizing the danger of inflation. We pay. creases due to basic commodities; doubt if anyone with the Secretary's spend only 5c a meal for food. A Baruch's setting of agricultural farm background would seriously sales tax reduces the consumption of prices as of July 29, 1941; and Mor- propose such a ridiculous step when low-income people. Recent health stagenthau's proposal to release surpluses we have enough wheat now on hand tistics indicate that at least one-third

The relationship between producers adian imports for domestic consump- can be aided by improving the diet. and consumers is not being drawn tion is 750,000 bushels and we are 3. Both are interested in educaany closer together by such groups as actually importing less than that." tion facilities for their children and the Brooking's Institute, who declare (Dramatics are fine but shooting a themselves, in good government, and that the cost of basic commodities is loaded gun out into the audience to in giving assistance to the aged, cripcausing living expenses to soar. They portray danger is not my conception ples and invalids. They are both con-

get the public to be either consumer- income and welfare of the other. If minded or producer-minded? It is total wage payments are reduced, The farmer has wanted to keep his not fair to either group to get the wage earners either buy less farm farm and he has been allergic to wel- producer weighed against the consum- produce or pay a lower price for itfare aid. In order to keep head and er or the consumer set against the the latter usually results since farm

working in the field to stave off the Even the farm family has a big problem to consider when it comes to Just because the farmer has sacri- producer-consumer values. They beficed, saved, labored, and used every long to both groups. In fact, the means to get along for the past twen- farm family purchases more for conty years, should not mean that he sumption (58%) than for producshould always be expected to live tion (42%) as is shown by the followunder such conditions.-Just because ing information the October 1937

Farmer Buys	For Hi	mself	Per	Cent
Food	\$	1,610,000.	000	16.1%
Clothing		1,150,000,	000	11.5%
Furniture, etc.		860,000	000	8.6%
Recreation, gi				10.4%
Medical and	dental	400,000	000	4.0%
Household ope		570,000		5.7%
		120,000		1.2%
Savings, insur	MILLOUS	750,000	000	T+10 10

Pays for the Farm \$1,000,000 Per Taxes, interest, loans \$1,000,000,000 Feed, seed, fertilizer. 750,000,000 Insecticides, containers, Machinery & repairs Automobiles, trucks.

Mr. Bean reports that the average Grand Total For the Farm...\$4,250,000,000 42.5% employed factory worker in 1929 had It is interesting to note from the \$887 to spend on non food items. This above figures that store-bought food year, if wages and foods costs during is the largest item in the farm budthe first six months of the year are get. It was more than twice as large taken as typical of the year as a as the combined expenditure for feed, whole, he will have \$1,045 left after seed, and fertilizer. It also shows that the farm expenditure for cloth-Available indexes of living costs ing was more than twice that spent

costs is made for all the groups list- We usually hear discussed the varied, non food income buying power ous points of conflict between proshows a gain of about 11 per cent ducers and consumers and too little over last year and about 12 per cent attention is given to analyzing the health of their children and them Farmers and laborers are seeking a over 1929. The increases over last similarities of interest between farm- selves. year range from 21 per cent for fac- ers and wage earners. In an outline tory workers to 1/2 per cent for other on suggestions for discussion of pro- organizations and co-operatives to im- 15. Proper labeling and grading of who ceases to patronize for a period groups, with no change shown for ducer-Consumer relations, Professor prove their economic conditions. Wage products is of value to both rural and Henry Morgenthau in his speech to following 15 points on similarities of groups believe in organizations for finite information as to the contents

damaging rise in prices is, quite 1. Farmers and wage earners are simple, to release surpluses from stor- opposed to high real estate taxes and prices. Farmers may believe that advantage of farmers to sell and con- earnings or savings make that posage. It seems to me desirable and to high sales taxes. They are in

sugar and permit the entry of Cana- the expenses of farmers and the rent paid by the city dweller. Sales taxes Foreword: The farmer during the The editor of the Onio Farmer on the September 20, 1941 came out with farmer and the wage earner. If the wage earner pays a sales tax, he has "We suspect Secretary Morgen. less money to purchase other goods, inheritance taxes do not fall heavily upon those with the least ability to

from storage and permitting the entry to feed ourselves for two years. The of the people suffer, to some extent, of Canadian wheat in large volume. current United States quota for Can- from malnutrition. National defense

> cerned about business conditions and the farmers' surplus problem, and

4. Farmers are purchasers of pro-

and medical facilities. They are bene- niques and organizations which they fited by preventive medicine and by participate in-but also in a further any group action which improves the expansion of democratic procedure.

ON THE WATCH FOR VARMINTS!

AGRICULTURES

comes under \$780 per year, went in problems of their own group, of the creamery's operating capital. the hole to the extent of over 1.2 bil. farmers and other groups.

of living far below what we consider expanding influence on national polias a decent American standard. In cles. Consequently, it is essential 1935-36, there were 4,000,000 families, that farmer organizations and their board of directors to set the Dairy- caused of only \$312 for the year. This group lic relations program for agriculture had only 5c a meal to spend for food. -to inform urban folks of the prop-Only 6% of the total money spent for lems of agriculture and of the place food was spent by the 14% with the of agriculture in the national econlowest incomes. Nearly 42% of the omy. families provided only 26% of the Suggested Reference Sources market for foods. If all families getting less than \$100 per month had been able to increase their incomes to that level, they would have purchased about 1.9 billion dollars more of food increasing farm prices and farm income to the extent of about 1 billion dollars-also improving the national

Inequalities in Income

12. Farmers and wage earners are both affected by the inequalities in the distribution of national income. The maldistribution of farm income is about the same for rural as for urban

In 1929, 50% of the farmers received only 15.6% of the total farm income-the other 50% received 84.4% of the farm income. An increase in farm prices will not materially improve the position of the lower income farmers-an expansion of their production is also necessary.

13. Farmers and wage earners are also concerned with obtaining a stable price level as well as stable business conditions. The economic condition of farmers is improved with rising prices, but impaired by falling prices. Laborers complain of the high cost favored when prices fall unless unem- DAIRYLAND CO-OP ployment occurs. of living when prices rise, but are ployment occurs.

Each discussion leader will be sent a mimeographed article on Producer - Consumer Relation-

view, "What the Census Shows". Joined the Write the United States Depart.

"Defense and the Consumer"ited number of copies can be distributed out of the Membership Relations Office of the State 1, 1941. Farm Bureau. Write your requests

WKAR MONDAY ROUNDTABLE FOR NOVEMBER-1:00 to 1:30 Mondays.

Theme for November-Producer-Consumers Relations. November Goals of Producers and

Consumers.

10 Organizations and Services.

National Defense and Inflation.

Improving Relations.

Every Patron a Stockholder; Strengthens Financial Position

The Dairyland Co-operative Creamery at Carson City has adopted the revolving stock plan for making every patron a stockholder, and to further improve the co-operative's operating capital and financial security. Revolving Stock Plan

The members who organized the cooperative in 1925 and who were patronizing the Company were issued ten shares of common stock at one dollar par value in lieu of their original membership. Those members who had not patronized the cooperative during the past year received ten shares of preferred stock at one dollar par value which is callable by the Board of Directors for

Those patrons who are not members are issued credits on their common stock, each year, out of the earnings of the co-operative, based upon the amount of butterfat furnished, until such time as they have ten shares. They have the privilege of purchasing their ten shares of common stock outright if they so desire. Earnings as Preferred Stock

Credits to those patrons who have acquired their ten shares of common stock will be issued as preferred stock. This could be called a certificate of participation or earnings, as it is a certificate to show that he has a share in the earnings or savings of the Company. Any member of a year will have his common stock Retired in Few Years

Where a co-operative is set up on the above basis it is the policy to retire the preferred stock at par in the

sumers had an income of \$6,000,000, adult educational set-up but most City organization that this can be 000; the middle one-third, \$14,000,000- wage earners lack adult educational done every three or four years. In 000; and the upper one-third, \$20,000, facilities and opportunities. They the meantime the money represented 000,000. The lower one-third with in- should understand the important by the preferred stock is part of the

All voting rights are in the hands 4. Farmers represent a declining of the holders of common stock. A Farm Co-ops Will A large proportion of people on proportion of total population, and member is only allowed one vote. Prefarms or in cities lack sufficient quan- consequently have less political pow- ferred stock can be transferred to Defend Tank Wagons be paid on either class of stock.

WKAR Roundtable of the Air- fat or the service rendered in any farm representatives a hearing. Each Monday afternoon from way but will strengthen the organi- Farmer purchases of petroleum sends cream a shareholder.

September's Land Policy Re. They Have ment of Agriculture, Bureau of Farm Bureau

The Michigan State Farm Bureau service entirely. Public Affairs Pamphlet, A lim- welcomes 54 families who have become members recently, 4166 families Bay City Potato Show have become members since January

BRANCH COUNTY George J O & Son Ambs Owen

GENESEE COUNTY

GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY Williams Allen

MECOSTA COUNTY

BIG RAPIDS e Robinson G H & Son Barnhill Dale Behro Andrew Toogood Carl Gilbert C Norris Tucker George

Bearinger Jay
Bearinger Lyle
Crane Lewis
DeBoer Jacob
Fitzgerald Lyle
Garbow Fred
Garbow Herman
Holcomb & Son
Hornby Guy
Stilson Willia Priest Lewis
Pruetz Charles
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Ribble Lee
Rosenzweig Fred
Sams Monte
Stilson Roy R
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Brower Henry W Mitchell James Brack John L Brower Henry W Burden Walter Clough Zora
Crame Wayne C
Frye Harry
Gingrich Lyle
Gregory L E
Lunsted Elmer
Wilkinson Wilson

MONROE COUNTY NEWPORT

OCEANA COUNTY Wolting Henry Bloomberg Jake OTTAWA COUNTY

titles of nutritious foods, adequate er. The organized urban groups, such anyone except to a director or emclothing and shelter-have a standard as the labor unions, are exerting an ployee. No dividends or interest can might endeavor to get rulings that would prevent farmers buying oil It has been the thought of the and gasoline from tank wagons has considerable or 14%, who had an average income state service agencies develop a publand Co-operative Creamery Company among co-operative leaders. Farm up, on a basis so that control of the co-operative leaders have protest. organization will for all times to ed such a move. Recently Senator come, be in the hands of producers Arthur Capper of Kansas, on behalf who are patronizing the organization. of the co-operatives, urged Mr. Ickes The revolving stock plan does not not to permit any such program with alter the amount returned for butter- out first giving co-operatives and

> zation by making every patron who products from tank wagons became a common practice only after farmer co-operatives established themselves in the petroleum field. It was in an attempt to eliminate the co-operatives as competitiors that major oil companies extended tank wagon service. That move having failed, it is said that the major oil companies now would like to eliminate tank wagon

The southeastern Michigan potato show will be at Bay City, Nov. 3-4-5. Premium books may be seen at county agricultural agent offices. For information, write W. E. McCarthy, county agricultural agent, County Building, Bay City.

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7. Farmers and city dwellers (ex- Farm Income 1940 and 1914 those engaged in marketing) Possibly before closing, we should are both interested in reducing the take a look at the 1940 farmer and

Balanced Purchasing Power Best

processes tend to break down. Proper 1909-14 he got 57%. prices for farmers and proper wages Methods for Getting Together for city workers are essential to ob- We need to get a better understandtain steady business conditions. If ing between our farmers and city peocity workers receive considerable ple, a realization of each others probhigher earnings than farmers, the lat- lems. There are several methods ter move to the cities and compete for which can be persued to obtain this the urban job.

of tenure, or ownership of farms, members of many of the same types Wage earners also seek to own homes. of co-operatives, such as health and both affected by wasteful depletion tions, petroleum co-operatives, geneand exploitation of natural resources, ral purpose buiying co-operatives, such as soil, timber, minerals, fishing. credit unions, and co-operative banks tunities if the resources are unwisely in educational meetings where their

Distribution of National Income

both concerned with obtaining an im- conferences. The following conferproved distribution of the national in- ences might bring about a mutual un come—to raise the incomes of the low derstanding—(1) rural-urban women's income groups and to lower the in- conference, (2) rural-urban youth con comes of the high-income groups, ferences, (3) conference of represen Then, more of the products of the tatives of organized farmers and la farms and factories would be bought bor unions, (4) conference of farmer and consumed. In 1935-36, the lower and business men.

more active part in the benefits and 6. Farmers develop their farmer responsibilities of the nation.

O. Ulrey, agricultural economist, earners create labor unions to im- urban people—as producers as well as transferred to preferred. Michigan State College, presents the prove their conditions. Thus both consumers. Labels should contain dethe Advertising Club of Boston stated, interest of farmers and wage earn- themselves. Wage earners who do not of the containers. Government grades understand farmers may conclude are desirable, especially for all food that farmers are seeking excessive products in containers. It is to the order it was issued as fast as new laborers are seeking excessive pay. sumers to buy on the basis of grades.

> cost of getting a product from the compare his economic status with that farm to the consumer. For example, of the 1909-14 base period. Sixty per if the cost of distributing milk were cent of the farmers in the United reduced one cent a quart, both the States in 1940 received less than milk producers and consumers should \$1,000 as a gross income. The 1940 farmer received only 23% as much of an income as the non-farmer; the 8. Over the long period, farmers farmer received 28% during the base and city people are concerned in ob- period. In 1940, the farmer only retaining a balance of income and pur- ceived about 8% of the national inchasing power. If one group obtains come; 17% in 1909-14. The 1940 fara considerable higher income than the mer was getting about forty cents other, the production and exchange (\$.40) of the consumer's dollar; in

result: 9. Farmers seek a longer period 1. Farmers and city people can be 10. Farmers and city people are medical associations, burial associa

Our children will have fewer oppor- 2. The two groups can participate problems can be discussed. These meetings might be in the form o 11. Farmers and wage earners are group discussions, panels, forums or

income one-third of American con- 3. Farmers have a very extensive

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