MICHIGAN MEN LEA\_ ATTACK ON SUBSIDIES

At the Berrien 4-H Club Fair

FEED PROSPECTS LOWER PRICE ON '44 HOGS

CO-OPS BUILDING FOR FUTURE IN FARM MACHINERY

Farm Bureau Annual Meeting Nov. 10 & 11

Nation’s First Farm Bureau Agents Pass Away

LEGUME SEEDS SCARCE IN 1943

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100,000 Strong

The Farm Bureau in Illinois is striving for 100,000 members by its annual meeting November 16.

On July 31 the Illinois Agricultural Act in which they call the State Farm Bureau in Illinois, had 93,415 members.

Less than 6,000 to go!

We believe the members will make it 100,000. No organization has offered a more aggressive farm leadership or a greater service program for the advancement of agriculture as a business than has the Farm Bureau in the past 23 years.

Today there is need for the strongest possible organization of farmers in every county in our state to make agriculture a business and to serve agriculture.

While we are on the subject, why shouldn’t the Michigan State Farm Bureau be 50,000 strong?

In Illinois there are 213,439 farms. Nearly half the farmers are members of the Farm Bureau. There are 93 County Farm Bureaus.

In Michigan in the counties which have Farm Bureaus there are about 92,000 full time farmers who are good prospects for membership in the Farm Bureau. About one in five of them is a member of the Farm Bureau now.

A few years back one Illinois farmer in five was a member of the Farm Bureau. It is time, therefore, that we get the other 50 kinds of farmers in Michigan.

In ten years the Illinois Farm Bureau membership will have gone from 51,096 to 100,000 or more because that membership decided to grow. Why shouldn’t the Michigan State Farm Bureau be 50,000 strong?

Mr. Brody described the confusion in the dairy industry. He found that his knowledge was limited to comparing the comparative safety of Atlantic shipping, and the effect of the Italy, the continuous bombing of industrial Germany, the steel shortage, the war in the Pacific, and the war in China on our economy.

The spring of 1943 the Michigan membership made a net gain of about 7,000. The year before we made a net gain of 9,700.

What Illinois can do, we can do.

How Much Do We Know?

State Commissions of Agriculture Charles Figy tells some good stories on himself. He helps them because they usually have a common sense application to his audience as well.

Mr. Figy says he is still finding out that he doesn’t know as much about farmers’ problems as he thought he did last December. In his speech, he told a story of Michigan’s farmer, to Lansing for an interview relative to becoming the head of the state department of agriculture.

"The commissioner has confirmed since that he was not in office for more than a week before he discovered that he was the head of the entire Michigan’s farmer industry. He found that his knowledge was limited to the problems of dairymen, grain and sugar beet growers.

But from time to time he has been forced to learn about the dairymen problem. He has been forced to learn about the problems of farmers.

Now the Farm Bureau likes to think that it knows something about the farm problems that can be worked on and perhaps solved by organized effort. We have learned about the experiences during the past 23 years, but we agree with Mr. Figy that every day can bring a new one, and sometimes two or more. There is an endless variety of agriculture in the greatly diversified agriculture of Michigan.

Farmers Want a Well Fed World

The United Nations are now certain of victory in the war. The German general retreat in Russia, the fall of Italy, the continuous bombing of industrial Germany, the comparative safety of Atlantic shipping, and the gains in the South Pacific are events of the summer which show that the efforts of our leaders have not been in vain; but it seems that we are being pushed back to eventual defeat.

In the midst of such stirring events, we had at Washington a few months ago what might well be viewed as the first of the peace conferences. It was the United Nations Conference on Food and Agriculture.

At the conference representatives of 45 nations proposed to make sure of victory in peace by beginning to build for it now. The age-old problem of getting enough to eat for our people—a problem which always has pre-disposed the "have-nots" nations to war—seemed an appropriate place to begin.

So freedon from want of food became an ideal toward which the people of the world must work.

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One For The Book

War has happened since the federal government took over the management of the 1943 crop of Concord grapes is something to behold.

In mid-September, grapes were coming onto the market, the War Food Administration at Washington decreed that sales of Concord grapes in major producing areas be limited to 7.5 cents per pound. This meant 10 pounds of Concord at the war price was to be $7.50 per pound. The maximum price to growers was to be $70 per ton. The main idea, said a WFA news release, was to protect the public from paying so much for Concord grapes as to encourage an increase in the crop. The order applied to several states in Michigan, it names Allegan, Cato, Cass, Kalamazoo, Kent and Van Buren counties.

Immediately, the Michigan Grape Growers Committee, the Farm Bureau's fruit and vegetable division, set to work. A committee of one man each from the above areas, on the Thursday before the announcement, met with the WFA.
FARM BUREAU For Support Prices

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The growers of Michigan are members of the Farm Bureau and the Michigan Farm Bureau. The complete changes in all large communities, when they fail to unite on the right date, will be a long long time before they can serve all humanity in times of distance.

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CO-OP FACT

20% of all refined petroleum fuels used on farms is now provided by Consumer Cooperatives.

ROGER CORBETT NEW SECRETARY OF AFFB

Edward A. O'Neill, president of the Michigan Farm Bureau Federation, has announced the appointment of Roger B. Corbet, JR., as new secretary of the Federation's Affiliated Farm Bureau Federation.

The appointment was made effective October 15. It replaces the position held by W. D. Robert, who has accepted a position with the University of California.

Mr. O'Neill has been a member of the University since 1939. He was transferred from the University of Washington to the University of California.

In his new capacity, Mr. Robert will be responsible for the development and promotion of the University's agricultural programs.

Another important aspect of Mr. Robert's new position is the opportunity to work closely with the Affiliated Farm Bureau Federation.

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MICHIGAN STATE FARM BUREAU

COUNTY FARM BUREAU LEADERS MEET IN OCTOBER

Leaders of County Farm Bureaus throughout Michigan met recently for their annual meeting.

Meeting is scheduled for November 15-17. It will be held at the Iowa State Fairgrounds, Des Moines, Iowa.

The meeting will be attended by representatives of all the counties in Michigan.

WHERE TO PAY FARM BUREAU DUES

In their November 28, 1945 issue, the French government announced that Frenchmen should use the new French currency for all payments to the government.

The new currency will be in use in all the countries of the European Community, including France.

According to the announcement, the new currency will be used for all payments to the government, including income tax, sales tax, and other taxes.

 Britisch Farmers Work Under Gov't Orders

J. A. Smith, editor of the British Farmers' Journal, reports that British farmers are working under Gov't orders.

The reports state that farmers are working under orders from the government to increase their output of food products.

The orders are aimed at increasing the production of milk, eggs, and other food products.

The reports also state that farmers are working under orders to reduce their use of machinery.

The orders are aimed at reducing the use of machinery to save energy.

New Sidewalk in Saginaw

The Saginaw News reports that a new sidewalk has been installed in Saginaw.

The sidewalk is located on the north side of the street, between the old and new sections of the city.

The sidewalk is approximately 1,000 feet long and is constructed of concrete.

The sidewalk is designed to accommodate pedestrians, and it is separated from the roadway by a curb.

The sidewalk is expected to improve the safety and accessibility of the area.

The Saginaw News reports that the sidewalk is being funded by the city and that the project is expected to be completed by the end of the year.
In order to raise an additional $2,000 for the Michigan Junior Farm Bureau, a special event was organized at the Michigan State Fair. The event was held in collaboration with several local communities and organizations.

Juniors started a record of performance within the state, contributing greatly to the success of the organization. The program, based on the Junior Farm Bureau model, was initiated to promote leadership development and productivity among young people.

Chester Clark's Letter for Waldenwoods

Clark's letter to the Michigan Junior Farm Bureau discusses the need for increased membership and participation in the program. He highlights the importance of maintaining a strong connection between the community and the program.

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An Inventory of Our Organization

Background Material for Discussion in October
By Our Community Farm Bureau Groups

ROLL CALL QUESTION—Of the services provided farmers by their Farm Bureau, which benefits you most? Why?

On February 4, 1919, forty-two county Farm Bureaus agreed upon a Michigan State Farm Bureau to provide ways and means for concerted action on agricultural problems. Government of the Michigan State Farm Bureau is controlled by the members' vote, represented by an elected board of directors. The following departments provide ways and means for concerted actions.

Legislation—The legislative service offered farmers through the Michigan Farm Bureau is two-fold: (1) It gets the farmers' viewpoint on legislation across to the legislature, both state and national, in a simple and unified manner. (2) Keeps farm folks informed as to legislation, the progress of legislation into law, and the type of representation they are receiving from their elected lawmakers.

Membership Relations—Is that department of the Farm Bureau which is responsible for membership acquisition and maintenance. County Farm Bureaus are directly responsible for all membership work. Duplicate membership records are kept in the county and state offices.

The Community Farm Bureau—Local groups of farm families meeting together once a month to discuss local, state and national issues. The Junior Farm Bureau—Was started in 1935 and now has a membership of about 2000. The Junior groups concentrate on leadership training and developing in its members a desire to cooperate with each other in their activities.

Michigan State Farm Bureau Insurance Dep.—The Michigan State Farm Bureau is providing automobile, life, and fire insurance service as the state agent for State Farm Mutual Casualty Insurance Company and the Farm Life Insurance Companies of Bloomington, Illinois.

The Associated Women of the Farm Bureau—In the past three years they have aimed at: (1) The enlistment of women in the general Farm Bureau program. (2) Participation in a broad program looking to the improvement and expansion of rural life.

Michigan Public and Labor Relations Service—Sponsored by farmer-cooperators to represent the farmers and their institutions in working with all legally and demographically constituted groups toward a better mutual understanding of their respective problems to the end that the rural people may co-operate in building a better and stronger economy.

Farm Bureau Services, Inc.—Performs a co-operative, large-volume buying service for the Farm Bureau membership and 119 stock-holding member cooperatives. Farm Bureau Services is a member of national co-operative buying associations making possible greatest savings for its member co-ops through large-scale purchases.

Commodity Exchanges—The following commodity exchanges: Michigan Milk Producers Association, Michigan Lumber Exchange, Michigan Elevator Exchange, Farm Bureau Fruit Products Company, Inc., Michigan Cooperative Wool Marketing Association, Mid-West Cooperative Creameries, Inc., Michigan District, and the Michigan Potato Growers Exchange, are affiliated with the Michigan State Farm Bureau to enable the exchanges and the Farm Bureau to (1) cooperate effectively on matters of common interest, (2) to preserve the interest of individual, and (3) to avoid duplication of effort.

Questions For Discussion:
1. Who determines the policy and directs the activities of the Michigan State Farm Bureau?
2. Who owns the Farm Bureau Services, Inc.? 
3. What past should the Community Farm Bureau play in the processes of keeping members informed on their organization?
4. What part can the Community Farm Bureau play in enabling members to direct the activities of Farm Bureau?
5. Who should determine the legislative program for the Farm Bureau?
6. Is the legislative program carried out?
7. What is your organization in promoting a legislative program?
8. What have you done for the Farm Bureau Services, Inc.

Feeding and Other Ideas for Winter for POULTRYMEN

1. Watch for Winter Colds and Outbreaks of Any Epidemic.
2. Keep the Litter Dry and Clean.

Watch the vitamin content of mash. Vitamins in feeds are vital for health and productivity. Farm Bureau Menus and laying mash are heavily fortified with Vitamins A and D and G, also the related B2 complex factors. Use Farm Bureau mashes. Then you needn't worry.

For Hog Growers

Don't grow hogs to more than 225 lbs.

Cut down the protein in the ration after the pigs reach 75 to 80 lbs. . . . Feed brood sows about 10% more of the daily 14 to 16% protein feed. See that simple minerals and vitamins are present in the feed. Farm Bureau Porkmaker 33% protein has no superior as a horse concentrate.

For DAIRYMEN

Protein concentrates continue to be scarce, and high priced. Use more good legume hay, plenty of home grown grains and less concentrate.

Use good legume hay (clover, alfalfa or soy bean hay) fed liberally at the rate of 1% to 2% of the feed, 100 lbs. of live weight when milked is fed, a grain ration with 14 to 15% protein is sufficient when fed according to milk production. Watch vitamin A and D twice a day. See that salt is available or provide it occasionally.

FARM BUREAU BRANZ SUPPLIES AT 300 FARMERS' ELEVATORS

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