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EDITORIAL 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 Ass'n, which is what they call the State Farm Bureau in Illinois, had 93,415 members.

Less than 8,000 to go!

We believe that Illinois will make it 100,000. No organization has offered a more aggressive farm leadership nor a greater service program for the advancement of agriculture and rural America than has the Farm Bureau in the past 23 years.

Today there is need for the strongest possible organization of farmers to meet the problems with which agriculture must deal. Now and after the war farmers must have strong organizations to speak for agriculture 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 50 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. The membership decided to show a substantial net gain every year. Some years It was less than a thousand. Other years the net gain was four, eight and even eleven thousand!

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.

The spring of 1943 the Michigan membership made a net gain of about 7,000. The year before we made a net gain of about 5,000.

What Illinois can do, we can do.

How Much Do We Know?

State Commissioner of Agriculture Charles Figy tells some good stories on himself. They help him because they usually have a common sense application to his audience as well.

MICHIGAN MEN LEAI At the Berrien 4-H Club Fair ATTACK ON

SUBSIDIES

Congressmen Jesse P. Wolcott of Port Huron and Fred C. Crawford of Saginaw and C. L. Brody, executive ecretary of the Michigan State Farm Bureau, spoke effectively in Congress the week of Sept. 27 against food subsidies and the growing WFA and OPA confusion in agriculture.

The occasion was an effort by the government to convince the House committee on banking that the Commodity Credit Corporation should have a second 500 million dollars for government operation in farm products and in foods.

Congressmen Wolcott and Crawford asked, "What for? Subsidies?"

Judge Marvin Jones, head of the War Food Administration, sought to assure the Congressmen that the funds would not be misused, in fact, that not all of the money might be needed. But he wanted permission to use some of the funds to dispose of possible surpluses in perishable crops that might not be moving at their floor or ceiling prices near the end of their season. Potatoes for example. Wolcott and Crawford, together with Rep. Baldwin of Maryland, advised the House committee, Judge Jones, and

I. B. Hutson, head of the Commodity Credit Corporation, that the overwhelming majority of farmers want fair market prices for their products and are against subsidies.

The Congressmen said that the Farm Bureau, Nat'l Grange, Nat'l Council of Farmers Co-operatives, and Nat'l Milk Producers Federation, recognized spokesmen for farmers, would favor additional funds for the CCC for making loans on farm commodities, for lend lease operations, etc. But they would oppose granting authority that

would permit the misuse of funds for ood subsidies and price roll backs. October 1, C. L. Brody testified beore the House banking committee in behalf of the fruit and vegetable growers of Michigan and the nation. Mr.

Brody described the confusion in the tomato, onion, grape and apple indus-

and OPA's too low price ceilings. OPA usually gets the decision and the 1945.



Lois Buttler of St. Joseph is the winsome young lady in the center in the race for girls at the Berrien County 4-H Club Fair at Berrien Springs August 21.



All Ed Schlutt of Berrien Springs had to do to claim the calf was t catch it, put a halter on it and lead the calf from the ring. Easier said than done. Eight boys were after 8 calves at the same time. Needless to say, they got them. Berrien County Farm Bureau, the farmers co-operatives in Berrien County and the Lions Club of Berrien Springs sponsored the fair and provided the prizes.

PROSPECTS LOWER SUPPORT PRICE ON '44 HOGS

As a guide to farmers in planning When C. L. Brody and Ira Marshall tries resulting from War Food Admin- their production program for next of the Farm Bureau Services, Inc., reistration plans for the finished crop, year, the War Food Administration turned from the 3rd annual meeting announced Sept. S, that the price of of the co-operative National Farm Ma-The impossible marketing and price good to choice butcher 200-240 pound chinery Company at Shelbyville, In problems resulting, said Brody, are hogs would be supported of \$12.50 per diana, recently, they said there will be finally referred to Judge Vinson, head hundredweight, Chicago basis, for the large scale manufacture and distribuof the Office of Economic Stablization. period October 1, 1944 to March 31, tion of farm machinery by farm cooperatives after the war.

and processing goes from bad to worse. price in effect until September 30, chinery Company are the Farm Burnd other large farm



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Farm Bureau Annual Meeting Nov. 10 & 11

21st Year

Dates Advanced One Day to Accommodate the National Grange; Time to Complete List of Delegates

The 24th annual meeting of the Michigan State Farm Bureau will be held at Michigan State College at Fairchild theatre, Wednesday and Thursday, November 10 and 11.

The annual meeting was advanced one day in the week by the state board of directors as a courtesy to the National Grange. The Grange will open an eight day convention at Grand Rapids, November 10. Many members of the Farm Bureau are also members of the Grange and will want to be present at Grand Rapids Thursday and Friday of that week when the State Grange confers the 6th degree and the National Grange confers the 7th degree to large classes.

Two pre-convention meetings are scheduled for the Farm Bureau. Tuesday, November 10, there will be a conference of County Farm Bureau membership workers at the Union Memorial building at State College from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The annual meeting of the Associated Women of the Farm Bureau will be held in the same building from 1 to 4 p.m.

President Reid has appointed the resolutions committee for the annual meeting. It may convene at Lansing as early as November 9. The members are: Allen Rush, chairman, Romeo, Macomb county; Carl Buskirk, Paw Paw, Van Buren; James Harris, Traverse City, Grand Traverse; Harry Johnson, St. Louis, Gratiot; L. Dean Steffey, Coldwater, Branch; Mrs. Forrest Dunham, Shelby, Oceana; Mrs. Carl Oehmke, Sebewaing, Huron.

County Farm Bureaus are entitled to send one voting delegate for each 50 members in good standing. One hundred and thirty-nine farmers' co-operatives associated with the Farm Bureau Services, Inc., as stockholders are entitled to send one Farm Bureau member each as a voting delegate. All Farm Bureau members are invited to attend the annual meeting.

It is time now for County Farm Bureaus and member co-ops to make certain that they have named their delegates and alternates for the annual meeting. Credential blanks will be sent to County Farm Bureau and co-op ass'n stockholder secretaries soon. Resolutions may be given to memsituation in the area of production This compares with the support Owners of the National Farm Ma- bers of the resolutions committee or mailed to the Resolutions Committee, Michigan State Farm Bureau, 221 North



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 when Governor Kelly called him to Lansing for an interview relative to becoming the head of the state department of agriculture.

"Do you know the farmers' problems?" the Governor was said to have asked Mr. Figy.

"I ought to," replied Mr. Figy. "I have been one all my life.'

The commissioner has confessed since that he was not in office for more than a week before he discovered that he was familiar with only a fraction of Michigan's farm industry. He found that his knowledge was limited to the problems of dairymen, grain and sugar beet growers. But from the day he made his discovery, he has been learning about the problems that confront what he terms the other 50 kinds of farmers in Michigan.

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 through our 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's an endless variety of everything 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 general German 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 Axis powers have not only been stopped, but they 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 one's people-a problem which always has pre-disposed the "have-not" nations to warseemed an appropriate place to begin.

So fredom from want of food became an ideal toward (Continued on page two)

Brody declared that fruit and vege- 1944, of \$13.75 per hundred-weight, table growers want to co-operate with Chicago basis, for hogs weighing 200 tives of Minnesota, Wisconsin, Indiana, government to the utmost in the food | to 270 pounds. program, but they must have fair market prices in keeping with their in-

not be thrown into chaos by arbitrary and impractical government orders 1944-45. regarding the disposition of the crop.

President O'Neal and Vice-Pres. Earl Smith of the American Farm Bureau, P. C. Turner, chairman of the Dairy committee of the Maryland Farm Bureau, Leon Cobb, of New Jersey, sec'y of the National Poultry Committee, testified October 1 in behalf of producers of other crops. Feed supplies in prospect appear suf- ed to Shelbyville. In their argument for fair prices for

farmers rather than subsidies for consumers, Wolcott and Crawford spring of 1942, when 61 million pigs op tractors, as authorized by the war dropped a bomb into the proceedings when they quoted government figures spring pig crop on record. This level of an allotment of corn pickers and to show that gains in wages have been of farrowings is considered feasible manure spreaders at the Waterloo far in excess of the rise in the cost if these pigs as well as the hogs now plant. of food. Their statement was not dis- on farms are marketed at normal

puted Congressman Crawford gave notice weights of the last two years. Prior that the success of the farm machinery too that sugar beet producers do not to 1942, the annual average weight of manufacturing and distribution operaintend to permit the beet sugar indus- the hogs sold under federal inspection tion will depend upon the willingness ry to be curtailed.

of the federal government have acted in 1943. as though the domestic beet sugar industry were unnecessary, and in fact, embarrassed their "good neighbor" policy with sugar producing na

tions. Congressman Wolcott asked Mr. Hutson of the CCC if dairy herds are diminishing. Mr. Hutson replied that there are more milk cows in producion than ever before.

Why, then, asked Mr. Wolcott, is a subsidy proposed to increase the production of milk? How would a three months subsidy induce farmers to expand production or go into dairying? There was no satisfactory answer. Wolcott observed that such a subsidy is surely for consumers. Congressman Crawford asked why

t is that farmers can't buy protein such as cottonseed, soybean or peanut tion services. oil meal concentrates unless they buy them from feed mixers as part of mixed feed? No satisfactory answer to the military, and that gasoline be Islands. In Michigan a continuous was given regarding an advantage giv- made available to farm suppliers en feed mixers in an apparent con- without recourse to allocations, quotas trol of protein ingredients. tor Aiken of Vermont presided. Miss Jesse Summers, member

Congress from Illinois, suggested to the committee that direct payments be made to people needing charity relief rather than subsidizing food for everyone, including the high income consumer groups.

The Farm Bureau and other farm groups told the House banking committee that they would support the following program:

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Ohio, Michigan, Pennsylvania, th The announcement was made at this Pacific northwest, and farmers co-op time because farmers will be making eratives in four provinces in Canada. creasing costs. Their industries must plans shortly for the number of pigs They do business with hundreds of to be farrowed next spring. Most of thousands of farmers.

At present the National Farm Ma these pigs will be sold in the winter of chinery plant at Shelbyville is turning It does not appear now, the War out a steady flow of war materials Food Administration said, that feed The plant capacity has been enlarged

supplies will be adequate to maintain and new machinery has been installed Nation's First Farm hog production at the all-time record The Company purchased during th levels of 1943. Just over 74 million past year a plant at Waterloo, Iowa pigs were farrowed last spring and which manufacturers corn pickers and about 53 million are being farrowed manure spreaders. Eventually this this fall-a total of 127 million head. manufacturing operation will be mov-

ficient, however, to justify farrowing Plans for the coming year include next spring about the same as in the the manufacture of a small run of cowere farrowed, the second largest production board, and the completion

In his report to the stockholder coweights rather than at the heavy operatives, President I. H. Hull said was 230 pounds. In 1942, it was 245 of farmers' co-operatives to render a For a long time certain departments pounds and is expected to be about 255 machinery service to their member patrons

President Hull said that 35 Farm Bureau co-operatives in Indiana have reconditioning of farm tractors and other machinery. In Michigan nearly 100 farmers co-operatives including Farm Bureau Services branches, distribute Co-op Tractors and other farm machinery made by the National Farm Machinery Co. About 20 of them are repairing and reconditioning tractors and farm machinery.

State Ranks High in **Bovine TB Control**

Michigan was one of the first states to eradicate bovine tuberculosis. That was done in the late 1920's. Since that time the federal and state dep'ts of agriculture have completed the program in the entire United States, It was recommended that farm gasoline be given a priority second only Hawaii, Puerto Rico and the Virgin

program of re-testing is carried on. covering the state about once in three years. We have 207,087 herds includor other restrictive limitations. Sena ing 1,775,352 cattle under supervision During the month of August 2,692

herds, including 26,624 cattle were re-Every single person who helps intested. Twenty-seven re-actor cattle rease milk production is serving and were found on 19 farms, about 1/10th backing up the brave men at the practically free of bovine tuberculosis go to his local co-operative Ass'n for a if the number of reactors is less than Freight trains carried an average 5/10ths of 1 per cent.

half of 1943, the highest average on crop 50 million bushels.

Cedar St., Lansing 4, Michigan.

President Edward A. O'Neal of the American Farm Bureau Federation is scheduled to address the Michigan State Farm Bureau Wednesday evening. Members planning to attend the annual meeting should see the room rate schedule on page 2 and make their reservations early.

Bureau Agent Passes John H. Barron, extension professo

of farm crops for the New York State College of Agriculture, passed away August 10. He was the first county

agricultural agent in the northern states, and was employed by the first County Farm Bureau. The month of March 1943 was the 32nd anniversary of the Broome County Farm Bureau at Binghamton, N. Y., and the employment of Barron as agricultural agent

to serve an area extending 50 miles one in Pennsylvania. In 1914 Con- behind those of 1942 gress enacted the Smith-Lever act

for rural people. Mr. Barron left the College far crops department. set up service shops for the repair and Broome county extension office after lege of agriculture.

BERRIEN BUREAU AIDS CLUB FAIR

Seven hundred persons attended the annual Berrien County 4-H Club Fair and Farmers Roundup which was held at Indian Field near Berrien Springs, August 21.

The event was sponsored by the Berrien County Farm Bureau, 11 farmers uneven in maturity, or if green weed co-operative farm supplies and fruit seeds infest the crop, Rather recommarketing ass'ns in the county, and mends windrowing clover or alfalfa the Lions Club of Berrien Springs. The sponsors of the fair provided the cash prizes for winners in the 4-H with a combine which has a pickup Club live stock and poultry show, victory garden and canning exhibits and other presentations of club fair.

The main attraction was a calf 300 lbs. each. The County Farm Bur- milk production and a continuation of eau bought the calves for presentation sound soil management," Professor of 1 per cent. The state is considered at the fair. Each boy was eligible to Rather said.

loan to buy the calf. Next year at the show the calves will be auctioned. The moved by rail originate in Pennsylboy will pay his note and have the vania than in any other state, with Corn borer may cut the U.S. corn proceeds of his year's work with the West Virginia second and Illinois, calf.

LEGUME SEEDS SCARCE IN 1943

War needs, cash for the crop and extra Agricultural Adjustment Administration payments all answer a farmer debating whether he should harvest a comparatively light crop of legume seeds such as alfalfa, red, alsike, white or sweet clover.

Farmers and seedsmen estimate the 1943 alsike seed production in Michigan is running larger than last year, from Binghamton, and including parts but that red clover seed and especial of five counties in New York state and |y alfalfa seed harvests are running

Even if the yield is only a few which resulted in the U. S. Dep't of pounds an acre, farmers may find it Agriculture and State Agricultural profitable to run a combine over a field Colleges assuming the county agricul- that has set some seed, suggests H. tural agent and other extension work C. Rather, head of Michigan State

Farmers can use the seed harvest several years to go with the state col. as a means of earning a portion of the AAA payments to which their farm may be entitled. Such payments will be made at the rate of \$3.50 an acre up to 15 acres for the harvest of seed of alfalfa, red clover, alsike, white clover, sweet clover, smooth bromegrass and Reed canary grass.

> The \$3,50 an acre should go far towards, covering harvest costs, Rather comments, and the seed itself has unusual market value this year.

Harvest procedure appears simplest if the fully matured seed is combined from the standing crop. If seed is first, allowing the cut material to cure several days until dry, then threshing attachment

"Every pound of hardy, northern grown alfalfa and clover seed that can possibly be harvested will be needed if legume acreages are maintained in scramble in which eight 4-H club boys the northern dairy states where lewent after 8 calves weighing about gumes are vital to maintenance of

> More tons of freight of all kinds third.

CO-OPS CHARGE SQUEEZE ON GAS

Difficulties of farmers co-operatives in securing gas for farmers to meet their production goals were aired before a senate agricultural subcommittee on food at Washington in September. It was charged that major oil

companies appear to be in charge of the situation and that the cost of gasoline to farm co-operatives has been increased substantially, Also, that

government directive 59 and amendment 3 PAO No. 1 are not providing farmers with gasoline necessary for production and essential transporta-

of 1,086 tons of freight in the first

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which the conference invited all nations to strive. This ideal was expressed in three major objectives: (1) that the governments represented should declare to their own people and to one another their intention to obtain more and better food for all who need it. (2) that it must be recognized that a great increase will be needed in the total production if this goal is to be attained, (3) that all governments should recognize also that it is useless to produce food unless men and nations have the means to acquire it for consumption through a balanced, worldwide expansion of employment.

To carry forward the work begun at the conference, the delegates established a permanent, international organization. This group, known as the United Nations Interim Commission on Food and Agriculture has been meeting at Washington for the past two months. The Commission contains one representative from each of the 45 United Nations. Speaking of the work of the Commission and in behalf of farmers in the United States, Secretary of Agriculture Claude Wickard said Sept. 17 in a radio address to the nation:

"Farmers want a world that is well fed . . . We don't want the world to go away from the table hungry. It's partly a matter of pride-like the pride of a housewife who has prepared a good meal. She would feel decidedly upset if there wasn't enough to go around.

"But we have never in history had a world in which everybody was well nourished, and we can't possibly have it in the future without full production . . . It's against a farmer's instinct to limit production. The only reason he ever does it is because he just can't find a paying market for all he can produce. Give him the market and he will show you what he can do. Our farmers are proving that right now with the biggest production in our history."

The Farm Bureau Creed

"I have united with these friends and neighbors to enjoy a social hour, to study our common problems, to support through the Farm Bureau the organized effort which is essential to the welfare and prosperity of agriculture. To the end that such co-operation may provide a comfortable living for my family, education



MICHIGAN FARM NEWS

The Kraut Cutter

It's there in its place in the kitchen On one of the top cupboard shelves. Sometimes it gets loaned to the neighbors And sometimes we use it ourselves. It's a cheap little wooden contrivance, Plain looking and simple and stout. And it serves just the one simple purpose Of slicing up cabbage for kraut.

It doesn't get used very often For kraut is a seasonal treat But now when the season is ready It's a tool that none other can beat. Plain cabbage unsliced is just cabbage And nothing to write home about, But here's the mechanical marvel, Just run it through this and it's kraut

How dear to my heart are the evenings When Marthy, my capable spouse, And I in the station of helper-The fellow who tracks up the house-When she like a competent housewife And I like a lubberly lout Work down in the cellar together And fill up the barrel with kraut.

The barrel is scrubbed to perfection. We place the old cutter just so And Marthy presides with the cabbage While I work the slide to and fro. Add salt, in the proper proportion-Three pounds to the hundred works out-Tamp firmly in nice even layers And, Presto, a barrel of kraut!

Of course it's just kraut in the making, But time will attend to the rest; My Marthy will watch it and skim it And keep it just doing its best. Then when it is ripe for the sampling She'll take a nice mess of it out And we'll reap the reward of our effort Demolishing spareribs and kraut.

Our lives are replete with convenience. Invention has blessed us with wings, But I with my simple perceptions Find joy in the simplest of things. I would not discount electronics. Inventors have genius no doubt: But so had that ancient forefather Who made the first cutter for kraut. R. S. Clark 315 North Grinnell Street Jackson, Michigan

ed 43.2 billions of the total increase.

In other words, said the Conference Board, agriculture has been only one-seventh as much responsible for any inflation as has non-agriculture, judging from who received the money.

But you'll notice that the pressure for food subsidies and price roll backs for foods by the OPA and labor groups continues. In the face of such figures they insist that farm prices threaten inflation. They are trying to

One For The Book

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

In mid-September, as grapes were coming onto the market, the War Food Administration at Washington decreed that sales of Concord grapes in major producing areas must be limited to processors of jam, jelly, grape butter, and grape juice. The maximum price to growers was to be \$70 per ton. The main idea, said a WFA news article, was to provide more jam and jelly to encourage an increase in the consumption of bread.

The order applied to several states. In Michigan, it named Allegan, Berrien, Cass, Kalamazoo, Kent and Van Buren counties.

Immediately, the Michigan Grape Growers Committee and the Farm Bureau protested the ceiling of \$70 per ton, later increased to \$75, and the rigidness of the order. They told the WFA that processors in the area had facilities for but half the crop. Further, that the fresh fruit ban should be lifted to prevent great waste.

Sep. 30 the WFA had to remove all restrictions in Kent county because there were no processors there to take grapes. On that date at Benton Harbor the choicest Concord grapes were being bought by processors at the equivalent of 68 cents for 12 quart baskets, while grapes rejected as too poor in quality for processing sold for twice that price on the fresh fruit market.

The Grape Growers Committee and the Farm Bureau recommended a ceiling of \$100 per ton, in view of the increase in cost of producing the crop. Before the WFA order Concord grapes had been selling on the fresh fruit market at \$100 to \$120 a ton and more.

Farmers Paying Off This Time

With the wartime expansions in their incomes, farmers generally have been paying off and reducing farm debts. Preliminary estimates by the U.S. Department of Agriculture indicate that in 1942 farm mortgage indebtedness declined by about 360 million dollars, to a total of \$6,350,000,000. Farmers' borrowings on other security also decreased slightly. This is a picture far different from that during World War I, says the Bureau of Agricultural Economics. Agricultural indebtedness then increased sharply. Farm mortgage debt increased from 4.7 billion dollars to 6.5 billion dollars from 1914 to 1918, and other loans from \$1,608,000,000 to \$2,507,-000,000.

Sam H. Thompson Michigan Men Lead Attack on Subsidies Was 80 August 18

Sam H. Thompson, president of the (Continued from page one) American Farm Bureau Federation 1-Continuation of the Commodity from 1925 to 1931, observed his 80th Credit Corporation for its principal purpose, to sustain a floor under farm birthday at his home at Quincy, 111. August 18. Mr. Thompson continues prices. It should be limited to such other services to agriculture as are now provided for by law. Bureau legislative committee, attends

Behind the

Wheel

With J. F. Yaeger, Director of Membership Relations

Wages and Prices

The cry that food prices are too ligh; that the cost of living has come up excessively; and that these must be rolled back continues. The amus ing part of all this is that the howl comes from certain segments of organized industrial labor which today are in a most advantageous position when one compares their greatly increased income with the cost of living and food prices.

According to recent statements isued by the Department of Labor at Washington, the

average weekly wage in industry is \$57.00 for 46 hours of work, and that wages have increased four times as rapidly as has the cost of living. At the same time the OPA issues a statement to the effect that in-

J.F. YAEGER dustrial wages are up 28% since January 1941; that the cost of living has not increased anywheres near this amount since that date; and, that workers are actually 41% better off than they were three years ago when one compares their increased income with the cost of living.

The Bureau of Agricultural Economics points out that in 1913 the worker spent 31% of his income for food. During the first war that rose to 37%-decreased to 27% in 1927 to 1929—increased to 30% during the de-pression—fell to 27% in 1985 to 1939 -dropped to 27% in 1942 and is new down to 19% in 1943. The English Comparison

Whenever the matter of food prices and rollbacks are discussed, it is argued that government subsidies would be a method of accomplishing this. It is then suggested that the farmers be paid a fair price, but that the government subsidize a program whereby living costs would be kept down and the consumer be the beneficiary of such a program of subsidies. During the discussion somebody is sure to point out that subsidies have kept down the cost of living in England. and that because it is worked there, i should work here. The only thing wrong with that statement is that in the first place, it just isn't so, and in the second place, not even Great Britands representatives in the Unit ed States agree that the economics of the two nations are comparable.

A recent Brookings Institute study shows that living costs have increas to be active in Farm Bureau work. ed 26% in the United States and 28% He is chairman of his County Farm in England since the fall of 1939.

Last summer in Chicago I had the

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for my children, and independence for my old age."

Many Community Farm Bureaus in Michigan open their monthly meetings by repeating the Farm Bureau Creed. It summarizes the purpose of our organization.

Remove the Obstacles

Frank Gannett is the publisher of a group of daily newspapers in the larger cities of New York. September 15 he spoke to the leaders of business in the city of Chicago. He told them that one of the most important problems before this country is the removal of all obstacles to the maximum production of food. He put it in these words:

"With the terrific demands at home, at the fronts, and in the Allied and liberated countries, we shall be very short of food next year, regardless of harvests."

What Mr. Gannett said to the business executives in Chicago has been said and is being said to our leaders in the government, to Congress, and to the nation by the Farm Bureau and other farm organizations.

Mr. Gannett said that confusing and conflicting price controls bewilder the farmer. They will be responsible for any failure to realize the full productive power of agriculture. Mr. Gannett's recommendations agree with those made by farmers:

"See that farmers get prices that will enable them to produce without loss and to employ needed labor. See that farmers get labor, tools and supplies. Eliminate all obstacles that have discouraged production.

"If controls are advisable, put those regulations in the hands of men who know agriculture in all its phases, and give them full authority.

"Avoid subsidies or roll backs, for they do not produce a pound more of food. They merely mean that the government would pay a part of everyone's grocery bill. If any large segment of our people haven't sufficient income to purchase food, revive the food stamp plan and help them in that manner.

Tail Isn't Wagging the Dog

The National Industrial Conference Board has said that between 1939 and the close of 1942 there was an increase in the national income of 49 billion dollars.

Agriculture, representing one-fourth of the population, received 5.8 billions of that increase.

The remaining three-fourths of the population receiv-(Continued from page one)

convince the public that the tail is wagging the dog.

Full Employment & the Farmer

Clinton Davidson, an authority on business, says that full employment of the American people is the main reason for the record demand and the present prices for farm products.

Even with rationing, 80% of our farm products are now being consumed by American civilians. Their full employment at high wages puts them in position to buy the kinds and quantities of food they want. That, said Mr. Davidson, is far and away the biggest factor in today's farm market.

Purchases of food for the armed forces and lend lease are very large and are contributing causes for the wartime food market. But they are not the main causes. The armed forces include about 8% of our population. We are shipping less than 7% of our present farm production to other nations under lend lease. Before the war we exported about 10% of our production.

Mr. Davidson makes the point that in our time war has brought prosperity to American farmers twice by providing full employment for all civilians at good wages. In World War II government and industry have created new jobs for 20 million war workers. During the past three years more than 18 billion dollars have been invested in tools and other facilities for manufacturing goods for war.

After the war the demand for peace time goods should be immediate and in enormous volume. But we should be making some preparations for the change-over now. We want to continue full employment after the war.

Mr. Davidson suggests that the government should permit manufacturers to set aside substantial r serves in U.S. war bonds which must be used to purchase tools or otherwise refit plants for peace time production, or the funds revert to the U.S. treasury.

There's some merit in that idea. We could support it too for equipment on the farms, and certainly for the many types of manufacturing plants which process farm products and must be kept up to the demands of the times.

Under present contract and tax conditions many war industries, including some of the largest, are not in position to set aside reserves for re-tooling and re-organizing for peace time production.

2-That there should be no selling the regular meetings of the board of of farm commodities bought by CCC until prices approach the ceiling level directors, and at present is assisting in signing up farmers in a local Bang's except in case of deterioration of the disease control program. Mr. Thompcommodity son is known to many members of the

3-No ceiling should be established Michigan State Farm Bureau who have below the floor price.

attended the annual meetings of the 4-Adequate appropriations should AFBF. He continues to attend the nabe approved for the functions to which tional meetings. the CCC is limited.

5-Government must recognize that farmers must have adequate machinery, fuel and manpower for maximum production of food.

ROOM RATE SCHEDULE MICHIGAN STATE FARM BUREAU ANNUAL MEETING For November 10 & 11, 1943

At Lansing Hotels and Private Residences

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Telephone Single	5-9155	2-1471	2-1491	4-3018	4-2218	9-1522
Without Ba Single	th None	\$1.50	None	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$2.00
Without Bat	h None	\$1.50	None	\$1.50 \$2.00	\$1.50	\$2.00
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Without Bat	h			\$2.50		
(2 persons) With Bath	\$4.00 uj) \$3.50 u	ip \$4.00	\$3.00	\$3.00 up	\$4.00

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. Register at your hotel immediately on arrival or telephone hotel you are in town in order to protect your reservation. It is best to register and get your room. Room a are not held after 6 p. m. unless hotel is notified you are arriving late.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9-"or information regarding rooms, etc., call at Membership Relations Department, State Farm Bureau, 221 North Cedar St., Lansing. Tel. phone 21-271.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10-For information, room service, 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 residences 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 above.

opportunity to discuss these matters with Mr. Scott Watson who is one of the British representatives in this country and who receives his mail at the British Embassy in Washington. Over and over again Mr. Watson emphasized the fact that the economy of Great Britain was not to be used as the shining example for the United States to copy. He pointed out that the two countries were not compar-

Americans enjoy the finest milk pro- able and that the situation as it preducts in the world through careful vails in England is hardly to be used sanitation and other safeguards, with as an argument either for or against widespread distribution.

· bsidies in the United States. Mr. Walson said to me that whereas certain programs were relatively easily of accomplishment in England, our much larger agricultural program with its varied producer interests, etc. makes the same program in the United States a much more difficult and complicated one. "Attempting to adunist r or solve the program in the United States would scare me to death," he said.

In spite of all this, however, our pro-subsidy friends, in government and out, insist that because England did it, we should. It strikes me that they need to develop a more convinc-'ng argument than that one. Dairy Farmers Opposed

A rather interesting discussion on subsidies was held at a meeting of farmers at Hartland, Livingston couny, recently. It was one of a series of district meetings staged by the Michigan Milk Producers. In the course of this dicsussion General Manager Simmons put the question of subsidies up to the farmer. He asked, "Suppose the government says that farmers shall have no increase over the present price for milk, but you would be given a subsidy. Would you take the subsidy? What should be the attitude of your Milk Producers' Board of Directors on this?"

No farmer urged acceptance of the subsidy. As a matter of fact, every one who expressed themselves wanted no part in a subsidy program. Some of the typical expressions were as fol

"Did you ever hear of any one borrowing himself out of debt?" and Politicians just love subsidies. They can tickle two palms with the same money.

Observers at the meetings agreed that there could be no compromise on his subsidy program as far as farmers were concerned. Neither does the farmer think that prices for his commodity are on a par when compared to the wages and incomes of other groups.

Milk and its products comprise over 25% of the 1,700 pounds of principal foods consumed each year by the average American.

Farm Bureau For Support Prices

can Farm Bureau said October 1 that farm leaders will seek legislation in this Congress to ban food subsidies and authorize instead a system of sup- At the close of August 1,546 fam- the semi-permanent methyl-alcohol port prices. Under such a system mar- ilies in the Farm Bureau were assur- anti-freezes such as Norway. Also, the ket prices would prevail. The govern- ed the payment of a large proportion more expensive permanent ethylenement would announce support prices to of any hospital care they may require glycol anti-freezes. encourage production, and would step through their membership in the in as a purchaser only when prices fell Michigan Hospital Service. below the support level.

\$2,500 in War Bonds to Join Farm Bureau First

Five farmers of Bolivar county, Mississippi, paid a total of \$8,750 in war bonds for the privilege of being for rural people in Michigan. the earliest signatories to the Farm Bureau for 1943. Membership No. 1 went to J. C. Jones, when he invested lages in Michigan are members of the tainers. Tin is out, so the industry is ury dept.

Plant Farm Bureau seeds.



production is to keep pigs on concrete from farrowing to market time. One farmer who does this reports:

"My first crop is gone to market by the time the second is farrowed average weights around 275 pounds at six months ... 100 pounds of pork with 300 pounds of feed."

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your concrete contractor, readymixed concrete producer or building material dealer.

ages

1,526 FARM BUREAU Ban Some Anti-Freezes Pres. Edward O'Neal of the Ameri- FAMILIES ASSURED HOSPITAL CARE

Their membership in the hospital State Farm Bureau, their County Farm Bureau and Community Farm Bureau and the Michigan Hospital tarder. Service. The State Farm Bureau se-

and scores of cities, towns and vil- greases. The difficulty there is con-

\$2,500 in War Bonds during an "auc- Michigan Hospital Service. The ser- packing greases in fiber or cardboard tion sale," according to the U. S. treas- vice follows the assured wherever he containers. may go in the United States and will

give him the same financial assistance hat he would get in Michigan. In general, a Farm Bureau member HELP GRAPE that he would get in Michigan.

in return for monthly payments rangwife and all unmarried children up to 19 years. Hospital services which will be paid include:

Twenty-one days of hospital care the Michigan State Farm Bureau have reported missing. It was a sad day

Monthly payments from members of The growers committee and the a go-between for anxious families in

working on the project.

Barry (3) 42 Berrien (4) 59 Branch (12) 462 Clinton (1) 12 Gr. Traverse (3) 72 Gratiot (1) 18 Hillsdale (3) 53 Ingham (2) 22 Jackson (1) 15 Kalamazoo (7) 123 Livingston (2) 38

Oceana (3) Saginaw (2) St. Joseph (5) Van Buren (1) Washtenaw (5) 96

For Family Car It will be different for many of us this winter when we want anti-freeze. Recent federal orders assure that, Gone for the duration, perhaps, are

It will be illegal for civilians to use

them except for tractors and trucks. The Farm Bureau will continue to service is the result of a co-operative supply Super-Unico, a 200 proof ethyl we give them any consideration what-

cured the first group hospital service oil, from 40 up, are becoming scarce tion.

may assure himself and his family payment of certain hospital services GROWERS ON ing from 70c per month for one per-son to \$2.15 per month for man and PRICE CEILINGS

per person each year in a semi-pri- contributed to improvements in the for all of them when they received the vate or ward room. 90 days addition- price ceiling and shipping situation report. However, they appealed to al care each year at 50% discount for several thousand grape growers the Red Cross for aid in getting fur- for the farmer's use, and I firmly befrom regular hospital rates; meals in six southwestern Michigan coun- ther particulars. Time seemed endcare, use of operating room as often Immediate results the week of Sep- short time under the conditions when as necessary; anesthesia when admin- tember 20th were an increase in price they learned through the Red Cross istered by a salaried employe of the ceiling for Concord grapes from \$70 that he was wounded in action and hospital; routine clinical laboratory to \$75 per ton. The \$5 per ton in- was a prisoner in an enemy camp. service; drugs and dressings; obstet- crease is worth \$250,000 to Michigan She has learned what she should rical care, including maternity care, growers. Steps were taken to en- have known all these years that the

Farm Bureau members are enrolled move them for food and without de- in any country and minister to the for group hospitalization so far lay. The OPA opened an office at Ben- needs of those within and can de-

Community Farm Bureau groups are Farm Bureau next moved for a ceiling times such as these. the County Farm Bureau secretary. production costs, and OPA action at nation, no race, no policy but exists Other Community Farm Bureaus are assembly points for grapes to release to serve all humanity in times of dis-

Following are the number of fam- processors to other markets, including Things We Don't Understand ilies in 19 County Farm Bureaus who wineries. The growers committee are members of the group hospital ser- was headed by Carl Buskirk, vice-presvice. The figure in parenthesis shows ident of the State Farm Bureau, and the number of Community Farm Bur- Max Smith, manager of the Millburg eau hospital service groups:

Allegan (1) 13 Mason (8) 177 Newaygo (2) 88 62

New York and Ohio, but with higher judgment. ceilings for those states. 71 67 by October 20, and much of it should other side of the question.

Brody.

MICHIGAN FARM NEWS

Some Are Shocked Into Using Good Judgment

| different world, for regardless of the By MRS. EDITH M. WAGAR Briar Hill Farm, Carleton, Monroe Co. many rumors of extravagance and You know we too often criticize waste, there's too much permanency eaders and organizations and parties, being woven into it for changes to be reeds, opinions, and actions simply temporary.

All of these airports and flying because we want to criticize them rather than because we have a reason fields so wonderfully built up assure us that we're coming into a new

We are biased and prejudiced when world in transportation. The great housing projects springalcohol anti-freeze, which contains a ever. Naturally, our decision usually ing up all over the land tell me that rust inhibitor and an evaporation re- drops where we want it unless some it is expected folks are to occupy extreme shock suddenly brings our them for a long time to come and to The heavier grades of lubricating better judgment to master the situa- do so there must be work and materials for all.

The complete changes in all large A woman whom I have known for Hospitals in Detroit, Ann Arbor, armed forces. There is no shortage of years would have nothing to do with industrial plants convinces one that the Red Cross. She they never expect to resume old methods and old types. That's in the disrefused to contribcard and all of these newly created ute in money or techniques will be applied to peaceservice. But she time business for civilian use and enhas changed her joyment. opinion and is in-

Plastics will no doubt take the place deed very much of many old time materials. Much of humiliated conour farm production will be used in cerning her years many ways other than food.

of stubbornness. We cannot buy refrigerators now, Recently within but perhaps it's for our own good, for her family a young new ideas are being created on refrigman in service, of eration. whom she was very

Buildings and construction mater-MRS.WAGAR proud, piloted a jals are showing great changes in ers Action Committee and help from bomber over enemy territory and was these times.

In the line of medicine we hear of miraculous changes.

All of these great changes will be and dietary service, general nursing ties, the state's major producing area. less while waiting, yet it was only a hold of greater comfort and conveniences than our group has ever enjoyed.

Let's unite for a plan that will establish a future free of excessive governmental controls, so that we may after the certificate has been in effect able growers whose grapes might be Red Cross is the only agency that can ness the satisfaction and reward this rejected as No. 1 for processing to visit camps and prisons and hospitals new future portrays.

We must not lag or falter in our through 72 Community Farm Bureaus. ton Harbor to assist with the work. liver messages and mail and serve as guilty of letting anyone down so far immediate job. We must never be as necessary food is concerned, repaid to the hospital service through price of \$100 per ton, based on 1943 The Red Cross knows no creed, no plish in this battle for appreciation and justice. We all want to share the good things of life as they come along because we have earned them and for no other reason.

> Farmers in general don't understand the attitude of labor, especially ASSOCIATED when the leaders of labor groups scrap Fruit Exchange. The Farm Bureau is lost and property is destroyed. The WOMEN HAVE whole country seems helpless, and the cause of labor seems weakened thru THREE CONTESTS The same can be said of farm organizations when they fail to unite on

policies for agriculture. The onlookmembers to take part in three con- the same period in 1942. ers have always criticized farmers for not getting together and going tests being conducted by the Assomake jam, jelly, butter or juice. but again there's that stubbornness promote interest in the activities of after their desires with a united front, ciated Women of the Farm Bureau to that marks the human race. As yet the organization. Substantial prizes we haven't been shocked into good are offered in each contest. Scrap Book Contest

The Associated Women would like The consumer sees only the higher The growers committee estimated price that he pays for his living. The to have every County Farm Bureau that producers in the six Michigan producer sees the high wages of the represented in the Farm Bureau scrap counties would account for the major portion of a 50,000 ton crop. They said that the crop must be cared for other side of the question consumer and consoles himself with ed and helps us in preparing publicity for the organization. Completed scrap could all learn something. There are Prizes to be awarded in 1943; Best



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The number of passengers carried Railroads handle in and out of per train was the highest on record in army and navy camps nearly 10,000 the first six months of 1943, averag- cars of supplies daily, There is still time for Farm Bureau ing 174 persons compared with 99 in Potatoes were found in Peru in the time of the Incas.







grapes not wanted by jam or jelly tress.

spokesman was Secretary Clark L.

The grape situation was precipitat-

ed Sept. 21 when the War Food Ad-

ministration fixed the price to farm-

ers for Concord grapes in Allegan,

Berrien, Cass, Kalamazoo, Kent and

Van Buren counties at \$70 per ton.

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per ton on the fresh fruit market. The

order applied to the grape regions of

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Fair Enough In Chicago, Tomaso Ricardo, Italian, was being examined as an applicant for citizenship papers. "Can you tell me how many states

there are in the Union?" the examining judge asked. "Mr. Judge," answered Ricardo, "I

many bananas in a bunch?"

be handled within two weeks to avoid Be Open Minded and Learn loss. They said that local proces- We can't expect that folks even in books should be sent to the Michigan sors had a known plant capacity of 2 single group will think alike. They State Farm Bureau, Membership Re-24,000 tons provided they ran to full never have and perhaps never will, lations Dep't, 221 No. Cedar St., Lancapacity for the season. They ob. but we should aim to be open minded sing, not later than October 28. Mrs. served that the cold freezing capacity enough to be willing to let the other Clinton Ducker of Otter Lake, Lapeer of the area would not exceed 5% of fellow express himself and maybe we county, is chairman for the contest. the Michigan tonnage. Therefore, in addition to the higher many thousand religious creeds with book \$15, second \$10, third \$8, fourth talk to you. You know your business. ceiling, they asked removal of the the same goal ahead of them, yet it \$5, fifth \$3.

I know my business. You ask me how ban on selling grapes on the fresh will be a long long time before they Public Speaking Contest many states in Union. I ask you how fruit market. They said that 75% unite as one. of Michigan grapes normally market-I believe it is the same with other

ed as fresh fruit went to processors groups. Just now there's the subject outside the production area. Growers said that the winery out- who believe that more food must be 1943. Present plans call for holding

et is needed to prevent loss. produced if everybody eats and they They pointed out that not enough also know that it is unreasonable to shipping containers were available to expect the farmer to continue to promove the entire crop in the fresh fruit duce unless he is quite certain he will and processor channels. Above all, said not do so at a loss.

the growers, grapes must be handled On the other hand, they are deterand marketed in a short period of mined the consumers must not pay time if the crop is to be saved. any more for their food, and for Secretary Brody of the Farm Bur- some things they should pay less. eau telegraphed the situation to Judge We Need to Be Reasonable

their own actions.

Marvin Jones of the War Food Admin-Somewhere along the line there is istration and Judge Fred Vinson, ad- a happy medium where everybody ministrator of the Office of Economic should get just what he is entitled to Stabilization at Washington. and no more. There should be no Mr. Brody urged the establishment need for subsidies for anyone or any

of a universal price of not less than group. \$100 per ton for eastern Concord I am very much opposed to out and grapes of No. 1 quality and control- out subsidy for any one. It is a ling the price of other grades. He camouflage that is detrimental to all Mrs. William Sherman of Vernon is said that a price ceiling differential concerned. In this case, the consumer on grapes between Michigan and oth-er states was discriminatory and and in later years when times are **Named to Live Stock** could not be supported on the basis more normal, he will expect what he of quality or cost to produce. He ad- considers a comparable low price for Transportation Group vised the Washington officials that food. The producer may think he is C. L. Brody, sec'y of the Michigan unless the situation was remedied getting only what he is entitled to Farm Bureau, W. G. Armstrong, maspromptly, it threatened a disruption as a price. But, in fact, under sub- ter of the State Grange, and O. H. Stid of marketing activities that could re- sidies they will all have to pay con- of Lansing, a Michigan district mansult in widespread spoilage of the crop tinued taxes and be subjects of pub- ager for the ODT, are an advisory comand was an invitation to a black lic assistance at the same time.

market in grapes. able price for our production with Dep't of Agriculture **On Butter Situation**

it is my hope that all American farm- cilities. ers can and will support such a plan.

this confusion and actual conflict. There's a new trick in washing among our 'leaders and our several painted walls, say home economics exgroups. None of us can afford to let tension specialists at Michigan State sold as fluid milk (3) indication that our minds dwell on it so much that College. Try powdered glue solution, consumers have plenty of red points we begin to lag on our real war time prepared as follows: 1/2 cup powdered Many times of late I have caught water and apply to walls with a cloth, myself getting too upset and too dis-

has been reduced to 20% and the 30% couraged and too suspicious to be my best and then I begin to think of some

We may not see many of the used also on tile or brick. an output valued at 51/2 billion dol- changes while we are still at war lars-a vital backlog of production time production, but once it is over, I'm sure we will realize we're in a a black surface is reflected.

contest.

chairman.

Topic for the Farm Bureau women's speaking contest is "The Farm Woman Faces Up to Her Problems." of subsidizing foods. There are those There will be no national contest in the finals of the state contest at the annual meeting of the Associated Women at State College Union Memorial building Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 9. Copies of the rules and reference material may be had by writing the Michigan State Farm Bureau, attention of E. E. Ungren. Mrs. Pearl E. Myus of Lapeer is chairman for the

> Farm Bureau Song Contest The Farm Bureau is continuing its contest for an official song. The prize of \$35 for words and \$35 for the music. Entries in this contest must be received by the Michigan State Farm Bureau not later than October 15

mittee to the Michigan Live Stock No, we must be allowed a reason- Transportation committee.

The committee will assist the regu some assurance that the bottom will lar movement of live stock to market not be allowed to fall out as soon as by assisting the industry in making the crop is ready for market. And, the best use of all transportation fa-

just too bad that there must be all of Glue Solution for Walls

glue dissolved in 3 cups of hot water Add this solution to 3 quarts of tepid working from bottom to the top. No rinsing is necessary. When the soluof the advantages that will come out tion becomes dirty, it should be discarded. The glue solution may be

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FOUR THINGS YOU CAN DO TO HELP GET GOOD TRACTOR SERVICE

1. Tell your tractor dealer as far in advance as possible what implements need servicing, and when they will be avail-able, so he can plan his work ahead.

2. Tell him also what new parts you think will be needed so he can order them now.

3. Clean up your tractor and other ma-chines before you take them in. That will save valuable time in the shop.

4. Make minor repairs yourself, if you can, so your dealer's mechanics will have more time to devote to major work.

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The U. S. Dep't of Agriculture attributes the acute shortage of butter These are serious times, and it's to several factors: (1) diversion of 30% of butter made to the government

(2) less butter being made because of higher value of butterfat when milk is for butter whether it is 8 or 12 or 16 job. points per pound. The War Food ad- On the Optimistic Side ministration has notified creameries that the 30% set aside for September

for October has been eliminated. Milk, butter, cheese, ice cream and of this period.

other dairy products annually create for war.

FOUR

COUNTY FARM BUREAU LEADERS MEET IN OCTOBER

Leaders of County Farm Bureaus are meeting in a series of pre-convention meetings throughout Michigan during this month.

Meetings are scheduled as follows. October 19 at Saginaw with the following counties participating-Isabella, Bay, Midland, Huron, Tuscola, Saginaw and Gratiot

October 20 at Imlay City with the following counties participating-Genesce, Lapeer, St. Clair, Oakland and Macomb.

October 21 at Jackson with the following counties participating-Jackson, Branch, Washtenaw, Monroe, ROGER Lenawee, Hillsdale, and Calhoun.

October 26 at East Lansing with the following counties participating- NEW SECRETARY Ionia, Clinton, Shiawassee, Livingston, October 29 at Paw Paw with the fol-Ingham and Eaton.

lowing counties participating-Allegan, Barry, Kalamazoo, VanBuren, Berrien, Cass and St. Joseph.

Western and Northwestern Michigan, of Roger B. Corbett, director of the 186,000 farms in the state put into the Farm Bureau leaders for the counties Maryland Agr'l College experiment war food hopper? of Mason, Oceana, Newaygo, Mecosta, station, as secretary of the Federation, Muskegon, Kent, Montcalin, and Ot- to succeed R. W. Blackburn, who has tawa met at Fremont on September 27. resigned to return to California, where

stee, Northwest Michigan, and Tri- way Stores. County met at Traverse City on September 28.

Discussion will include legislation Cornell, later served as economist at and resolutions that are apt to be con- the Rhode Island Experiment Station sidered at the State convention, No- and as dean and director of Connectivember 10-11 at East Lansing.

Stanley Powell, legislative representative of the state organization is conducting this phase of the program. bett will make his headquarters in the Other topics to be discussed include: responsibility of County Farm Bureau leaders; planning County Farm tember. Bureau programs; servicing Farm Bureau members and public relations.

Others from state headquarters participating in the meetings include gore as assistant to President O'Neal. Eugene Smaltz, director of adult education, and J. F. Yaeger, director of field services.

Farm Bureau work in Kentucky Mr. One out of every 15 families in the U. S. is dependent on milk for a live- Kilgore served as editor of the Kenlihood.

Milk is the largest single source of farm cash income-bringing in widely among the 43 state Farm Bur-\$2,332,253,000 to farmers in 1942.





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WHAT IS **STATES CAPACITY** AFBF **FOR CROPS?**

Edward A. O'Neal, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, U. S. Department of Agriculture to division and to similar institutions in Leaders from the counties of Mani- he has accepted a position with Safe-

the other 47 states. Consistent with soils and based on adequate fertilizer Mr. Corbett is a graduate of Cornell supplies and the best cultural prac-University.' He taught economics at tices and farm efficiency, here are some of the results: Principal crops of corn and hay would not vary much from present

cut State College. He was appointed acreages, tonnages and bushels. Corn largely on milk and vegetables. director of the Maryland Agricultural could increase from the 1,530,000 Experiment Station in 1940. Dr. Cor. acres in 1943 to an estimated 1,551,000 changed to more of potatoes, grains, acres in 1944 and the same for max- and vegetables. There has been a great imum wartime capacity to produce, reduction in swine and poultry. As Chicago office of the Federation, and Bushel yields could increase from the a result, said Mr. Watson, farmers in assumed his new duties late in Sep-34.7 bushel average, 1937-41, to 40.2

bushels with the use of more hybrid Previously announced by the Federation was the appointment of Ben Kil-Principal increases could be possible in navy beans and potatoes, ac-Mr. Kilgore served for ten years as cording to a summarization by H. A. executive secretary of the Kentucky

Berg, farm management professor. Farm Bureau Federation, with head-Beans probably yielding 15.1 bushels quarters in Louisville. Previous to his an acre would be feasible on \$33,000 acres, as contrasted with the record between the ages of 14 and 17 are emacreage of 791,000 acres in 1943. Po- ployed. tatoes would be practical on 338,000 tucky-Tennessee edition of The Proacres with a yield of 103.5 bushels an a preponderance of bread, potatoes, gressive Farmer. He will make his quarters in Chicago but will travel

age of 227,000 and a yield in 1937-41 of fresh meat per week, 4 ounces of of 99 bushels an acre. eau in carrying out his new responsi-Some increase in alfalfa acreage to ,500,000 acres is seen possible in the Mr. O' Neal also announced appointsummary, with a reduction to approx-

imately 1,050,000 acres of clover and of agricultural economics at Purdue timothy, University, as chief economist for the In livestock, the horse population

Federation at Chicago. From 1931 to could decrease gradually to 255,000 mum rates for farm labor have been 1936, Mr. Cowden did marketing re- from the present number of 305,000. raised to a level in keeping with insearch at Pennsylvannia State College, Milk cows now numbering 1,008,000 dustrial wages. could increase slightly to 1,038,000 in Practically all feeds are rationed. 1944 and to a maximum of 1,101.000 Farmers are not required to sell oats, giving 5,600 pounds of milk in a year. feed beans, or fodder crops. In the ra-Hens and pullets now numbering 13,- tioning scheme milk cows, city and

171,000 could decrease to 12,500,000 in mine horses have priority. What is 1944 but increase to 13 million as a left goes to swine and poultry. The Montcalm-Mrs. Leroy Kelpein, Greenmaximum, laying an average of 116 farmer himself must provide for beef

spond with probable feed supplies.

MICHIGAN FARM NEWS

BRITISH FARMER WORKS UNDER **GOV'T ORDERS**

J. A. Scott Watson, agricultural attache for Great Britain gave American farmers some interesting information on the food problem in the British Isles when he spoke to the Mid-West Farm Bureau training school at Chicago in June,

When war was declared in September, 1939, Mr. Watson said, Great Britain was producing 40% of her food requirements. Food and feeds were being imported at the rate of 22 million tons annually.

Nearly all of the reasonably productive land had been farmed for 70 years or more, so increased self-help the member a card stating the amount but in growing more of needed crops. It may be deducted from the \$5 dues So emphasis was placed on bare nec essity foods. It was reckoned, said Mr. Watson,

that an average acre of sugar beets Farm Bureau brand products eligi-If Michigan's farmers could get all in Britain would produce enough food

necessary labor and some additional in terms of calories to feed an aver-Meetings have already been held for announced on Sept. 9, the appointment farm machinery, just what could the age person for 4 years; an acre of other feeds, seeds, fertilizers; Unico potatoes would feed him about 31/2 brand fence, roofing, petroleum prodyears; an acre of small grain for 2 ucts, binder twine, paints, insecti-That question was submitted by the years. But, an acre of pasture used for cides; Co-op brand farm machinery meat production would produce only Misnigan State College's agricultural enough food in terms of calories for

a month. Since it takes 700 to 800 lbs. of feed to produce 100 lbs. of bacon as bought at the grocers, it would be

against 40% before the war.

because they have to. They are work-

very bad shipping economy to import Bay-Waldo feed to raise pigs in Britain. The same was true of poultry and eggs. To get

balanced rations, we decided to rely Berrien-J. Burton Richards, Berrien Center, R-1.

The agriculture of Britain has been Branch-G. A. Himebaugh, Bronson, R-2.

Calhoun-Miss Margaret Beck, Battle

Cass-Mrs. J. C. Burgener, Cassopolis. Britain produced 67% of the food Eaton-Frank Pifer, Charlotte, R-6. requirements in terms of calories as Genesee-Fred Lang, Flint, R-3. Gratiot-Mrs. Arthur Ballinger, Breck-People in Britain are eating more

enridge, R-2. Hillsdale-Mrs. Earl Scholl, treasur-

ing much harder. Men and women over 18 may be drafted for war plants. Huron-Mrs. Hal Conkey, Caseville, More than 75% of the boys and girls

The diet is uninteresting. There is Ionia-Chas. Mattison, Ionia, Star

Jackson-Leland Cuff, Jackson, R-8. bacon, 3 ounces of cheese per person, Kalamazoo-Mrs. Helen Buckham, and so on, So onions and pickles are produced in quantity, not so much for

Lapeer-Mrs. Adolph Brocker, Goodrich

farm work without permission. Mini- Livingston-Gale Hoisington, Fowler-

Macomb-Jack Harvey, Utica.

Mason-Elmer Fredericks Scottville. Mecosta-Orville Miller, Morley, R. 2. Missaukee-B. E. Shetenhelm, Cour

Monroe-Laurence Wagar, Carleton,

ville, R-3.

R-2.

R-2.

R-4.

Huron.

· Rivers.

unna, R-1.

voix, R-1.

Paw, R-4.

R-3.

water, R-1.

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way, these men who are officials of the labor unions are all deferred from draft for being necessary to the maintainence of law and order. The rollback on butter was approxi-

Beginning October 3, the ration points for one pound of butter will be mately 10%, or 5c per pound on 16. One of the reasons for the in. butter. That is the amount the fed-Since September 1, 1940, the County crease is the difference in the amount eral government pays toward each Farm Bureaus have taken over col- of butter recived in the large citles,- pound of butter you buy. Now Washlection of Farm Bureau membership about 40% of their requirements ington is considering a 10% sales tax Payments should be made to against 70% of requirements received to get the money to pay the subsi-

Some Reasons For

Shortage of Butter

butter in the large cities.

out, or else-

Editor, Michigan Farm News:

your County Farm Bureau officer by small cities and rural communities. dies. The administration of the subsi-With our present union labor gov-Farm Bureau members should send ernment insisting that food prices dies and a sales tax to take care of their sales slips for purchases of must be rduced or the unions will the subsidies will require another Farm Bureau brand products to the strike for increased wages-with the large group of federal employees State Farm Bureau Membership Re- large cities distribution being union which just enlarges the endless

Lansing, about every 3 months, and ceiling prices, the tribute is deducted Do not blame the President for all the last of them not less than 20 days from the amount received for the but- of this-blame his advisors.

> C. S. COFFMAN G. S. COFFMAN

bute. The increased points per pound is an effort to force delivery of more

Thank You

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In Detroit, James Hoffa, business (You'll never know the love you shared manager of the A.F.L., informed the The day you called and said you cared.) manager of one farmer-owned cream-

ery that Detroit did not need the Thank you day for coming night That makes us grateful for our sight. farmers' butter, that the butter com-ing into Detroit, was going to be Strengthening faith to carry through. handled by union labor, and that the Thank you God for Good in man, farmers were not going to push the And all that motivates your plan.

-Esther Cushman Randall Coldwater, Michigan union around. He also told the drivers of the creamery trucks to keep

This is not a racket. It is just a Fix leaks in roofs and around chimpart of the New Deal; and, by the neys now.

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dues. who is listed below.

lations Dep't, 221 N. Cedar street, organized and demanding tribute with circle. before their membership falls due, ter. Naturally, the large cities get the Oct. 1, 1943 That provides time for checking and left-overs after the communities are issuance of the membership credit, if taken care of that do not collect tri-

one is declared. The State Farm Bureau will send to lay, not in expanding the farm area. of membership credit he has earned. payment, providing the card and the balance due in cash are sent to the County Farm Bureau secretary to-

gether.

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Clinton-Russel Bower, DeWitt, R-1.

er, 75 No. Howell St., Hillsdale.

R-1. Ingham-Mrs. George Frost, Williamston, R-1.

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acre, contrasted with the 1943 acre- vegetables and milk, 22 cents worth Isabella-Mrs. E. F. Block, Mt. Pleasant, R.-2.

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Hogs Dairy cows 26,000,000 27,000,000 creases.

Laying hens311,000,000 355,000,000

chickens610,000,000 729,000,000 Feed in tons155,000,000 130,000,000 These figures are from the Bureau of Agr'l Economics of the U.S. Dep't of Agriculture.

Gardens cleaned up now will have fewer insect pests in 1944.

...... 74,000,000 85,000,000 cultivate some of the field crop in- hogs up to July 1944. Beef cattle 49,000,000 51,000,000

Growing Children Need the Farm

By ESTHER CUSHMAN RANDALL Blest are little, country people Who learn to measure by The rule of God's true foot-mark

Beneath an arching sky; Who grow with wheat and clover, With barley, oats and corn; Blest indeed are people Who on a farm are born.

Blest are little, country people Who early learn to know Secrets of the seedlings And how they come to grow. Growing children need the farm To grow with growing things, And grown-up children need it For the growing peace it brings.

Where Armed Forces Stop at Washington

More than 100,000 members of the armed services monthly visit the lounge maintained jointly in the Presidential Reception Suite at the union station in Washington, D. C. by the railroads, the Travelers Aid Society and the United Service Organizations.

More accidents take place at highway-railroad grade crossings on Sat-

friend from the United States to the edge of a volcano. "That crater is 70,004 years old," he explained.

for four years, and that crater was

cattle and sheep. Prices for cattle are Muskegon-Harold Banta, 636 Orpoultry figures are adjusted to correset to discourage a high degree of

their food value, but as appetizers.

In machinery, farmers likely would finish. need \$8,500 tractors instead of the Farm prices are set to encourage production of what is wanted. They available for the October to September would be increased to 15,000 from the are published a long way ahead feeding season just ended, and the present \$,320; some 2,700 more corn The British farmer knew last Septempickers and 2,850 row crop planters ber what he would get for this year's

would be needed over those now in grain. He knew in May of 1943 what Ottawa-Gerrit Elzinga, Hudsonville, Sept. 30, '43 Sept. 30, '44 use, if farmers would be expected to he will get for fat cattle, sheep and

> In the last analysis, Mr. Watson said, the British farmer is working Sanilac-Marshall Miller, Sandusky. under Government orders. He is set acreages, of wheat, potatoes, sugar beets, etc. He is told how much land

he may have in pasture. In Great Britain the farmer's feed fertilizer and equipment are rationed. Food goals are sought through persuasion and price adjustments. Subsidies to farmers are employed when thought necessary to get special production. For example, said Mr. Wat-

son, the government wanted to grow as many potatoes as it seemed people could eat in order to make bread go

farther and to save on wheat ships. All Half a Pint Per Cow farmers were asked to grow potatoes Less than half a pint extra daily including those who had never grown from each of Michigan's 980,000 dairy them on a field scale. Some were withcows would provide Michigan's share out equipment. Their soil might be of the extra volume of milk needed far from ideal. We had to pay those from this state in 1943 for war and farmers enough to cover costs. But we civilian needs, according to A. C. Baltwanted the potatoes to be cheap so zer, extension dairyman at Michigan that consumers would be encouraged State College. Production for 1942 to buy them. In that instance, we totaled five and one-third billion therefore pay the farmer \$40 on every pounds in the state. acre of potatoes and set the consumer price correspondingly low. Fifty million quarts of fresh milk

Food subsidies in Great Britain daily reach consumers through stores are said to run nearly 400 million or home deliveries alone. dollars a year, or about \$7.80 per person. Mr. Watson said that he did not methods that had served in Great wish to suggest that the British had Britain would be appropriate in the

LIVE STOCK

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Sensible prices. A. A. tha. (14 miles northwest of Kalamazoo). (7-3-tf-22b)

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handled their food problem with 100% United States because of considerable efficiency, nor did he wish to suggest differences in the problems.

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0,000 years old when I allowMichigan's fate onion crop is estimated to by \$48,000 hundred poundsacks, a million under 1942.There are more than 26 millioncows on three quarters of the nation'sis willion farms.

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urday than any other day of the week.

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A sugar-planter in Hawaii took a

"How do you get the exact age?" asked the newcomer. "I can understand the 70,000, but how do you cal-

"Well, I've been here in the islands

70,000 years old when I arrived." POULTRY MEDICATION AT PRICES

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WALDENWOODS TRAINING CAMP

Two hundred and seventy-four young people-ages 16 to 28-from 46 counties, attended the eighth leadership training camps a' Waldenwoods in the period, August 22 to Sept. 4.

Sponsored by the commodity exchanges, the camp laid emphasis on developing a program in the counties that would adequately service the many rural young people not constructively engaged in group activity.

Classes of an unusual nature served to focus the interest of the campers on community problems. Eugene Smaltz of the membership relations department of the Farm Bureau, and Mrs. Alway of the state library staff, conducted a seminar for a part of the camp. In this class the campers ex. ride, September 18. New officers for plored thoroughly the attitudes and re. the coming year are Frank Borgert, lationship of various individual and group interests as between adult ac. Helen Bruecks, secretary-treasurer, tivities and youth. Newspaper policy, Senior Farm Bureau program, local and state activities came in for par. ber 13th meeting. The campers reportticular attention.

Mrs. Frank Gingrich of River Forest, woods. a class conducted by Ben Hennink, and Max Keirman attended the 31/2 program now on test throughout the at the first September meeting, at state.

Several guest speakers appeared on Herman Pedersen is the new presithe program from time to time dent; Tony Marfia, vice president; throughout the week. They were- Helen Lundquist, secretary-treasurer: Harold Simmons, Michigan Milk Pro- Virginia Gretzinger, publicity chairducers Association, James Bliss, Mich- man, and Leon Reimink, camp chairigan Elevator Exchange, Clarence Bo. man. At the September 27th meeting lander, Deputy Commissioner of Agriculture, Mr. John O'Mealy of the Live. | camp committee of the eight counties | stock Exchange, M. J. Buschlen of the of southwestern Michigan. Farmers & Mfgrs. Beet Sugar Ass'n. and C. L. Brody and Boyd Rainey of the Farm Bureau.

JUNIORS START A RECORD **OF PERFORMANCE**

At the State Council meeting held at assistant sec'y: Katie Koenigshof, as- Mrs. Howard Hile are acting as coun-Aaldenwoods, the counties adopted a sistant publicity chairman, and Harry sellors to the young people. the performance of their respective the retiring counselor. organizations. The program began period.

the program has three commitments for each. Junior Farm Bureau:

Junior Farm Bureau

Mason-New officers took over at Sept. Sth. Their county officers are the first September meeting, with Rob- John Kohler, pres.; Robert Lucas, been reported missing in the European ports show that much thought has ert Hasenbank entertaining at his vice-pres.; Margaret Williams, sec'y. area.

the week end camp at Arcadia Resort man; John Beattie, recreational lead- Mrs. Andy Christenson, was the pilot While some groups took advantage on Upper Hamlin Lake on September er. George Greenely, County Farm in command of a flying fortress. He of good weather in the forepart of the 23 and 24. The group turned the \$13.00 Bureau president, was elected adult was reported missing on his tenth month to hold picnics and joint meet earned at the city-farmers picnic into counselor. The membership contest mission, Dick rose rapidly in the Jun- ings, most of them have completed the State War Bond fund.

Montcalm-Seventeen members at- inate with the last October meeting, the Newaygo Juniors, was president program for the year, and selected tended a week end camp at East Town and the county officers are to be in- of the State College Junior Farm Bur- their meeting places. Line Lake during August. The new stalled.

officers are president, Lena Rader; vice-pres., Arnold Kohler; secretary, counselor. The program for the coming year has been completed.

St Joseph-Julia and Roger Yeatters entertained 39 members on a hay Jr., president, Joe Rocklein, vice-pres., left for the Navy and Army, respectively. Jane Yearling, publicity chairman. The officers were installed at the Septemlor Farm Bureau is holding its meeted on their experiences at Walden-Reed and Mr. Wesley Hawley attended

its meeting, Sept. 14th. Gladys Deters, Illinois, directed the development of West Allegan-During July and a Newaygo member for six years, has recreational leadership. Mrs. Gingrich August the group had a beach party been appointed state secretary to fill feels confident that there is now a and a river trip. Sanford Plummer the vacancy Jeft when Clarice Brand group of trained recreational leaders and Virginia Gretzinger attended the left for the west coast. The Septemin each county. The officers of the full week camp at Waldenwoods, and ber 28th meeting of their Fremont various Junior Farm Bureaus met in Jacqueline Collins, Richard Reimink group was an ice-cream social at the home of Marge Witteveen, new public This group developed the three months days. Virginia Gretzinger entertained ity chairman. which time the new officers took over.

Junior community picnic held August 22nd at Fallasburg Park. The new officers were installed at the Sept. 9th meeting held at the Vergennes Grange hall, and the campers reported on their the group played host to the winter held netted \$33. lonia-Ionia young people started

Berrien-Robert Koenigshof and their county on its way to a Junior Claire Benson recently entered the Farm Bureau organization by having armed forces, bringing the Berrien a harvest party at the LeValley Church

Junior Farm Bureau total up to 29. on September 22nd. Preceding this Roy DeWitt has developed into an ex- event, the rural youth of LeValley and cellent song leader. Josephine Taylor Berlin Center districts had a hay ride entertained 60 members at a lawn on Sept. 9, with Wayne Chamberlain party held at her home on August 16th. and Bill Larson in charge. Marion The new officers are June Norris, pres- Smith did some excellent song leading, ident, Dean Hewitt, vice-pres. Barbara and Ben was there to talk to the group. Preston, secretary; Helen Preston, Watermelon was served by John Benepublicity chairman; Evelyn Barkman, dict, and Bob and Bill Larson. Mr. and

program by which they can measure Nye, counselor. Burton Richards is Kalamazoo-Robert Brown install- state reach its \$10,000 quota by con-Sept 1 for its first three months ed our new officers September 17th. vention time. Marjorie and Clayton Kalamazoo Juniors are meeting as a Klein are calling a committee meeting

According to Norris Young, state county group one month and a com- of Juniors from northwest Livingston president of the Junior Farm Bureau, munity group the next month for the with the hopes of starting a Junior remainder of the year. The campers Community Farm Bureau in that sec-First, each Junior Farm Bureau: First, each Junior Farm Bureau is first October meeting. Everyone turn-candlelight installation service at the are bound to encourage black markets and another in the September issue on

MICHIGAN FARM NEWS

We are hoping for a favorable re- Membership Relations and Education thrift to prepare for the end of the

Christenson of Fremont, and Lieut, has been reorganizing month for Arthur Runzel of Montague, who have Community Farm Bureau groups. Re

home. Mason Juniors also attended treas.; Charles Myers, publicity chair- Lieut. Christenson, son of Mr. and discussion year 1943-1944. between the three groups is to term- jor Farm Bureau. He was president of their election of officers, outlined their

eau during his third year at State. recreational chairman. Bob Ruhstor- paratroopers into Sicily and was re- elected representative. fer and Richard McCullough, recently ported missing in the first days of that Much interest is being shown by dis-

> formerly state secretary for the Jun- made in the meantime. for organization.



Waldo E. Phillips of Decatur, a director of the Michigan State Farm Bureau, and W. G. Armstrong, Master of the State Grange, represented their activities at the Leadership Training organizations at the National Food BURLINGTON-RICH-Lapeer

Camp. The group is starting its mem- Conference held at Chicago, Sept. 16hership drive, and a box social recently 17. They were also members of the per hundred for our 1943 crop of

ence.

The conference was called by Frank will start about Nov. 1. E. Gannett, eastern newspaper pub- SUPERIOR-Washtenaw isher, at the request of commissioners of agriculture in 16 states. Five ise the public concerning the food completely. situation.

The resolutions declared that, "A Mr. John Ziegler was delegated to Livingston-The Juniors are out serious food situation confronts us write our senators and representatives after more wheat money to help the because of bungling, complicated, and in Congress about certain deplorable unworkable regulations by bureau- conditions existing in our beloved Unicrats, and misunderstanding between ted States, over which our Farm Burproducers and non-producing consum- eau members are deeply concerned.

are in charge of the recreation for the tion. Ardis Clark had charge of the prices which discourage production "Boon-Doggling on a Global Basis," attempts to hold down consumer in the August issue, bearing the title

Community **Farm Bureau**

Activities By EUGENE A. SMALTZ

been given to a local program for the

Many groups have taken the Con-Bay-The organization of commun- He served a term as vice-president of gressional vacation as an opportunity ity Junior groups is the goal for the the State Junior Farm Bureau. Mrs. to have a report from their Congress-Herman Rader; treasurer, Charles next few meetings; Mr. William Bate- Christenson, the former Ruth Schull- men on Washington activities. Too Johnson, and Madeline Mosier, public- son, Jr., Junior counsellor, and senior er, and their daughter have been many good meetings resulted to inity chairman. Perry Rossman is the board member, recently installed as making their home at Mt. Pleasant. clude them all in this column. Reports the new county officers Herbert Lieut. Runzel, son of Arthur Run- show this was doubly advantageous Schmidt as president; Joe Pajot as zel, a flying fortress pilot, flew the since the group members not only got vice president, Alvera Neumeyer as first paratroopers into North Africa. a first-hand report from their Consec'y-treasurer,: Elaine Bathe as pub- Later he flew personnel and cargo be- gressmen, but also had the opportunlicity chairman, and Fay Goulet as tween Tunisia and Cairo. He flew ity of relating their opinions to their

> campaign. Lieut. Runzel was a form- cussion groups in group hospitalizaer president of the Muskegon Junior tion. Many of them are making it ef Newaygo-A newly organized Jun- Farm Bureau and of the College Jun- fective November 1. The next effecfor Farm Bureau. He was not married tive date for groups and individuals ings at Grant. Richard Nelson, Mr. Dan His sister, Miss Margaret Runzel, was is February 1. Applications may be

WHEATFIELD-Ingham

Mrs. Frost reported on the county meeting where Burton Richards, secretary of Berrien county, told of their success in getting members. Under "What should be the aims of our community discussion groups?" the following was brought out-

Increase membership, improve discussion, visit other Farm Bureaus, invite in consumers, discuss prices with consumer, get more information among your members, and discussion of local social, school, and church problems.

Motion was made that we ask \$8,50 resolutions committee of eight which beans. Mrs. Clothier spoke to us on summed up the views of the confer- the extension group stating that Mr. Lott suggested we form a group which

Mr. Clyde Breining of the Augusta United States senators and 24 auth- group is trying to organize new groups orities from the food industry dis- and to make more people interested in cussed the food situation and nation- the old groups; said sometimes he has al food policies. A permanent com- his mind made up about some issue mittee of-34, including the commis- and then goes to a Farm Bureau distioners of agriculture, was named to cussion meeting and after hearing arrange future conferences and to ad. other viewpoints, changes his mind

FRANKLUST-Bay

Namely, referring to the articles ap-"Consumers must recognize that any pearing in the "Reader's Digest"-one

Poor Richard Speaks About War Bonds

not worth a groat at last."

"A man may, if he knows not how to save as he gets it, keep his nose

Bonds and Stamps every market day. -U. S. Treasury Department.

16% of Michigan apples are the all his life to the grindstone, and die summer varieties, 22% fall, and 62% winter.

to save your country, But U. S. War

America must become a nation of Many a man keeps harmony at port soon on Lieutenant Richard NOTE-The month of September War. Save for your family by helping home by playing second fiddle.

Farm Organizations

If farm organizations were to disappear tomorrow, it is certain that within a very short time their praises would be sung by even those who have never supported them.

Acting as individuals, farmers have comparatively little influence. Acting together in the best interests of the nation, they are a powerful force.

Like the school and the church, farm organizations are an accepted part of our way of living. We take them very much for granted.

They have been elevated to the position of a commonplace institution. Commonplace institutions are likely to be our most important, and at the same time the least impressive. One seldom misses them until they fail to function properly or are gone.

Farmers can only be served by organizations which are made up of farm people, led by farm leaders, financed entirely by farmers and run in the interests of the men and women on the farm who appreciate that the farmers' interests are best served only when society as a whole is best served.

> CHRIS L. CHRISTENSEN, Dean, College of Agriculture, University of Wisconsin.



... BEFORE IT STARTS

This year more than ever before, it is your patriotic duty to prevent a fire on your premises. Buildings, tools, and equipment are ammunition in our fight to maintain our freedom, that cannot be replaced.

A few minutes time now and then will keep fire hazards at a minimum.

mimeographed a program of work for the members in the county.

Second, each county Junior Farm Bureau is to hold community meetings for the purpose of distributing leader. ship training and interesting more CHESTER CLARK'S young people in Junior Farm Bureau. Third, each Junior Farm Bureau is

to conclude Nov. 1. According to President Young, considerable time is to be devoted to a study of accomplishments at the state convention.

Already encouraging reports are reaching the state officers as the result of this "record of performance" program. Many counties are crowding the 100 mark in membership. There are at least 60 community Junior Farm Bureau groups. The state committee on program has an outline prepared for the publishing of a complete Junior here: Farm Bureau manual. Albert Goll of Washtenaw county is chairman of this committee.

The record of performance is showing results in other directions. Meetings are being conducted with greater smoothness, counselors assisting the winter camp committee say it is ready thanks for pulling away from your Average American with their project. New Junior Farm farming operations and other war time Bereft of gas, I will not squawk istee, Leelanau, and Oakland counties.

Young declares that by convention time he hopes to hand over to the new President, "The strongest state Junior now as never before for leaders on the Farm Bureau this state and country farm, in the farm home, rural schools, I will not crab when I can't have

COMING EVENTS THIS FALL

The fall months are busy ones for the Junior Farm Bureau. Listed as coming events are:

Lansing.

Oct. 10-Start week of regional determination, and hard daily tasks, meetings. Oct. 23-State council meeting at

Lansing.

Nov. 20-Tentative date for state at camp think hard, work hard, play convention.

In addition, several state commit-mond, and worship and pray hard in tees are busy on special projects. Wm. the Council Circle. Then take up your Fischer of Richland has called the war time duties with a brighter outwinter camp committee together to look at the close of camp. You'll never arrange a five day winter camp. A regret living the four-fold way. committee is working on a trip to northwestern Michigan to direct an only good fortune. We've been living

special events to raise an additional | trust fund.

maria Harran

Early. tiring officers. As a result of camp

Lapeer-The three Junior Farm training, Burr Clark, Jr., has develop- duction of food for the successful pro- MAYFIELD-Lapeer Bureaus united for a county meeting ed into an excellent song leader.

Third, each Junior Farm Bureau is asked to conduct a membership drive WALDENWOODS

Chester Clark, former editor of the carry our few letters miles along the Junior Farm Bureau section of this trail. Aussies will see that they con- financed out of government funds and page, is with the army medical corps tinue on and eventually they may no subsidies either direct or by subin New Guinea. He wrote Junior Farm reach a postoffice. We have seen ac- terfuge be paid. Bureau friends March 23 that he had tion. It isn't fun. Personally, I'm still campers. His letter arrived after the camps had closed, so we present it In another letter dated August 28,

camp that it will be worth it, and no

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Chester said he was still on duty in Dear Fellow Members and Campers: the jungle and far from any base or May an absent member take the anything civilized. His mail address May an absent memoer take the anything CI. C. F. Clark, 36129170, labor, necessary machinery, supplies, sidies to farmers. We voted to do all wishes for a successful camping ex- Med. Det. 162 Infantry, APO 41, U. S. and equipment must be made. perience during your stay at Walden- Army, % Postmaster, San Francisco, woods? Those of you at Waldenwoods Calif. camp this year deserve a big vote of

jobs to spend a few days at camp.

Although I often have to walk. You will find out by the end of (The walking's worse along the strange doubt you will realize the dire need Paths of the Owen-Stanley range.)

deep jungles in the mud and red clay tives:

tions. A native (black angel) will eaucratic control.

CHESTER CLARK

churches and communities. The right Second cup of steaming Java. kind of leadership. That responsibility (How good that brackish water tastes Along the vast Tunisian wastes.)

Those of us in uniform from the rural communities will be ready to help No one will ever hear me blat you when we return,-But we aren't About my lowered thermostat. home yet and the war isn't won yet, (It's colder on a sinking craft and I know of several who will not re- Or even on a rubber raft.)

Is is asking too much of you to car- I doubt if I will even cuss ry on there on the home front so that About the overcrowded bus. Oct. 2—State board meeting at the farm life that we knew will not (It's pretty crowded in the clean be lost? But with your seriousness, Interior of a submarine.)

be sure to include in your daily liv- This is the least that I can do ing time enough for play, worship, Who owe so much to such a few! -Grand Rapids Press. At Random Column

Wood a Critical Material

As many of us have found out, Farm Bureau Directory sales of lumber and wood in general have been restricted for the duration. published and distributed to its 332 If this letter reaches you it will be In peace time Americans use nearly member families a pocket-size direcreaus. Another committee is working \$45 per county for the war bond. Her- 40% of the wood in all forms used in also lists the names and addresses of on a Junior Farm Bureau manual. bert Fierke of Saginaw heads a com- the world. We have more wooden the officers and directors of the Amer-

excepting probably Japan.

ed out to help dig the acre of potatoes Sept. 20th meeting when the new of-and must ultimately lead to dangerous page 48 entitled "Unskilled Workers: at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert ficers took over the duties of the re- shortages and perhaps actual famine. \$214 a Month." "In order to insure an adequate pro-

those assuming such war risk.

government agency."

secution of the war and properly feed Resolution passed that on all war

our civilian population, we urge that boards and ration boards, there away from our postoffice for weeks. Congress enact such legislation as should be equal representation by agri-Have lived during that time in these will accomplish the following objec- culture, labor, commerce, and indus-

try, and that the Farm Bureau make with only a raincoat for shelter, and "1-Fair prices at the market place special effort to see this is done. Mr. the clothes we were wearing when we instead of the present system of sub- Beauchamp was present and explained left our base. Very few personal be- sidies which tend to place food pro- how the Soil Conservation program longings and limited tin cans of ra- duction and distribution under bur- can help in planning our farms to the

"2-That no roll back of prices be IRA-St. Clair

Secretary read a letter from Michigan Elevator Exchange in reply to our "3-Obtain maximum production as request for oats from Canada, Motion been on the island for some time. well, very busy and rather thin from the best means to halt inflation, pro-August 7 he wrote from somewhere in New Guinea to the Waldenwoods this jungle living. Will carry on here. Gratefully tect consumers, and militate against the further growth of black markets. "4-When increased production is cided that several take the orders for requested by the government, floor oats from their neighbors who are prices must be guaranteed on all such Farm Bureau members and report to commodities to insure against loss to the secretary.

we can to prevent 33% sugar beet "6-Unification of the whole food production, processing, and distribu-be placed on raw and refined imported ment by an act of Congress of one commodities.

Labor has said "we can't afford an Undoubtedly, Mr. Phillips and Mr. unorganized laborer," and if this is Armstrong were named to the resolutrue, we can not afford an unorganized tions committee in recognition of the farmer in the state or nation.

work that the national and state Farm A general discussion followed on the Bureaus and Granges have been doing relationship of farmers and city on the food program. The Nat'l Food dwellers. It is true farmers or ranch-Conference recommendations agree ers are more highly regarded in the with those for which the farm organ- western half of our country. But with izations have been working. the higher standards of living, better The Michigan Farm Bureau, thru education and more cooperation beits secretary, Clark L. Brody, has tween farmers, we are gaining our been outspoken in discussing the rightful place in the social scale of a confusion caused in farm production true democracy.

by bureaucratic regulations. Several months ago the Michigan Farm Bur- VICKSBURG-Kalamazoo

eau joined with food manufacturers, Our discussion leader, Merritt Hardistributors and retailers and with per, asked the group to sponsor the the Grange to form the Michigan Food Third war loan drive for Brady town-Conference. It has told the public ship rural. The organization voted to what unworkable regulations have co-operate, and after an explanation been doing to the food supply. The of the work by Mr. Harper, assisted by conference has made recommenda- our banker, Donald Richardson, and tions to Michigan members of Con- others, the group was divided into gress.

two sides, with the center road as the dividing line. Walter Weinberg is leader for south side, and Edwin Southworth for the north side. The losers are to have charge of the Christ-

Orchards, vineyards, and small fruit

worms.

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Macomb Publishes

Macomb County Farm Bureau has mas party.

one-half the lumber, nearly one-half tory of the membership and their plantations cultivated during summer of all the paper made from wood, and postoffice addresses. The directory should be sown to a cover crop soon.

Several counties are conducting mittee to arrange for the war bond homes than any nation in the world, ican Farm Bureau Federation and the treatment or in their salt to control Michigan State Farm Bureau.

An Inventory of **Our Organization**

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

By EUGENE A. SMALTZ Membership Relations and Education

ROLL CALL QUESTION- Of the services provided farmers by their Farm Bureau, which one benefits me 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 17 member board of directors. The following departments provide ways and means for concerted action:

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 legislators, both state and national, in an effective and unified manner. (2) Keeps farm folks informed as to proposed legislation, the progress of legislation of interest to farmers, 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 Bureaus-Local groups of farm families meeting together once a month to discuss local, state and national problems.

The Junior Farm Bureau-Was started in 1935 and now has a membership of about 2,000. The Junior groups concentrate on leadership training and developing poise and confidence in their members.

Publications Department-activities include: PRESS -Publishes monthly "Michigan Farm News" prepares news articles and advertisements for Michigan newspapers and the Michigan Farmer; assists Membership Relations and other departments with publicity for their activities.

Michigan State Farm Bureau Insurance Dep't-The Michigan State Farm Bureau is providing automobile, life, and fire insurance service as the state agent for State Farm Mutual Auto, State Farm Fire, and State 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 farm women in the general Farm Bureau program. (2) Participation in a broad program looking to the improvement and enrichment of rural life.



LAND BANKS NOT

FARM LOAN VALUES

"Other institutional lenders-insur

anies and bankers-are quite largely

following the same course," he says.

'The one place where the solid front

against inflation is in danger of be-

and taking mortgages for unpaid bal-

ances often equal and sometimes actu-

ally exceeding the normal value of

the property. Others, seeking employ-

ment of funds at better interest rates

than government bonds return, are

competing with other lenders by offer-

than sound judgment dictates."

ed on normal agricultural walues-

"A farm has to pay its way from

the returns of the things is produces,'

he declares. "Loans made on the bas-

is of today's prices are going to have

to be repaid from tomorrow's prices

We saw in 1932 and 1933 what happen-

ed to loans made on the basis of 1918

not going to have any part in causing

ing to decline at a rapid rate. Repay-

"These farmers, particularly if

a repetition of that disaster.'

estate situation today.

of new loans made.

mal" prices of farm products.

TO INCREASE

Credit Administration.

individuals.



Inc., been to the Farm Bureau member? To the nonmember? What additional services could be offered in your community?

9. Of what importance is the publicity issued by the Michigan State Farm Bureau?

10. What value is there in having a Michigan State Farm Bureau act as agent for insurance?

11. What role is the Junior Farm Bureau playing in building a farm organization?

of insurance

Senators Arthur Vandenberg and

Homer Ferguson, and our Congress-

man, Paul W. Shafer, to introduce leg-

islation to restore federal crop insur-

ance and extend its provisions to all

major farm crops as quickly and as

economically as good business meth-

ods are devised and demonstrated in

he administration of the mutual form

And be it further resolved that we

PROSPECTS FOR NEAR RECORD **U.S. CROP YIELDS**

In mid-September the United States had prospects for near record crop yields from the largest acreage planted n ten years. In Michigan, largely because of an unfavorable planting season, field crop prospects were at the lowest point since 1936, which was a drought year.

The foregoing information was taken from the September 11 report issued by the Michigan Crop Reporting Service and the U. S. and Michigan Departments of Agriculture.

Nationally, the second-largest corn crop in 23 years was indicated. There will be record crops of beans, peas, soybeans, peanuts, rice, potatoes, flaxseed and grapes.

There will be large crops of hay, pats, barley and grain sorghums and about average crops of wheat, rye, cotton, tobacco, sweet potatoes, sugar ane and sugar beets.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1943

While the average tractive power

ocomotive fuel consumption per unit

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or, direct from

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of traffic is about one-third less.

up its price on the theory that they | pounds of 32 per cent protein commer

health.

To any of these grain mixes should badly hurt if they come out of this be added salt, one pound to 100 pounds war with heavier burdens of debt than of grain. Another addition should be they can carry when prices of farm deflorinated phosphate rock mineral feed, one pound to 200 pounds of products return to normal.

"This is not to say that a farmer "The Federal Land Banks are not should not buy land now, if he needs going to follow inflationary land prices it or if he can buy it advantageously.

with higher loan values that can only But if he has to pay a premium for it, lead to agricultural distress at some he should pay that premium in cash later date," according to W. E. Rhea, or liquidate it just as soon as possible land bank commissioner of the Farm so his debt balance does not exceed the normal carrying capacity of the farm.'

ance companies, mortgage loan comp- Small Dairy Herds **Can Give More Milk**

More than 60% of all cows milked in this country are in herds of 10 ing broken is in loans being made by cows or fewer and are owned and milk ed by 90% of the farmers who milk cows. Normally they produce 55% "Many individuals are selling farms of the total milk supply according to Dr. O. E. Reed of the U. S. Dept. of

Agriculture. Conditions are favorable for pushing these herds to the limit. There is a market outlet at good prices for every pound of milk.

ing larger loans on farm properties **COW'S RATIONS** Since 1934, Commissioner Rhea ex-**DEPEND ON HAY** plains, land bank loans have been basgenerally speaking, values which re-How to doctor up dairy rations to flect the earning power of farms on fit the kind of hay stored in the haythe basis of average yields and "normow has been reduced to six simple

> specialist at Michigan State College. Three of the grain mixes are suggested for use with the best quality alfalfa hay, the kind that was early cut, has good green color and is leafy For this quality hay, according to A. C. Baltzer, dairy extension special-

of wheat, 100 pounds of light oats and There are, the land bank chief says, 100 pounds of dry cull beans.

two opposite trends in the farm real "The bulk of farmers," he says, "are 200 pounds oats ant 200 pounds 16 per reducing their real estate indebtedness. cent protein commercial feed. The It is, now lower than at any time since World War I and it is continuments to the land banks, for instance, are running nearly \$5 for every \$1 cut, brown in color and without many leaves

they invest part of their incomes in Such hay goes best with the follow-War Bonds are going to be in the ing grain mixes: 300 pounds corn irge our local, county, state and na- strongest position after the war that and cob meal, 100 pounds of oats, 100 pounds soybeans. Another mix contains 300 pounds ground corn or barley, 200 pounds wheat, 200 pounds oats, 200 pounds dry cull beans and 100 pounds linseed meal. Dow Hoopingarner, President, with city people who are able to pay suggested mix would consist of 600

are hedging against inflation. Some cial feed. farmers are going to find themselves

> grain. In many sections of the state, according to Baltzer, one ounce of cobalt sulphate to 100 pounds of salt has aided dairy cattle nutrition and

of locomotives is now more than onethird greater than twenty years ago





grain rations by a dairy extension

and 1919 prices. The land banks are ist, one mix could contain 500 pounds of ground corn or barley, 100 pounds

> Another mix could be 400 pounds of corn and cob meal, 200 pounds wheat. third of the mixes to go with high quality hay could be 200 pounds corn or barley, 200 pounds oats and 200 pounds of the 16 per cent protein feed. Some farmers will have quantities of coarse quality alfalfa, stemmy, late

> > The third



ional Farm Bureaus to send like res. farmers have been in for many years. olutions to all members of Congress, "A small minority of farmers, how that this resolution be published in ever, are using their better incomes to the Michigan Farm News, and the buy land at inflated prices. In many Branch County Farm Bureau Booster. sections they are having to compete

Herman R. Taylor, Secretary. | cash for farm land, and who have bid | pounds ground corn or barley and 200



Michigan Public and Labor Relations Service-Sponsored by farmer-co-operatives, to represent the farmers and their institutions in working with all legally and democratically constituted groups toward a better mutual understanding of their respective problems to the end that the varied interests may better 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 139 stock-holding member co-operatives. 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 Livestock Exchange, Michigan Elevator Exchange, Farm Bureau Fruit Products Company, Inc., Michigan Co-operative Wool Marketing Association, Mid-West Co-operative 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) co-operate effectively on matters of common interest, (2) to prevent conflict of interest, 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.?

What part should the Community Farm Bureau 3. play in the processes of keeping members informed on their organization's activities?

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. How is the legislative program carried out?

7. Of what value is organization in promoting a legislative program?

8. Of what value has the Farm Bureau Services,

Nationally, the feed supply is large out it is not well distributed. The farm supply of feed grains and hay are each larger than in any recent year excepting 1942, according to the nation's crop reporting service. But the great increase in live stock presents a real problem to feeders. Other factors that will press each area to adjust the live stock to the feed supply are the transportation problems disappearance of the surplus of hay and grain.

In Michigan corn prospects had improved considerably. The crop was poorest near Lake Huron and in the southeastern corner of the state where plantings were latest.

Oats and barley crops were the smallest in many years. Buckwheat was planted on much of the acreage normally seeded to oats and barley. This year the buckwheat crop was expected to top 952,000 bushels, the largest ever and nearly twice the average production.

Michigan expected a potato crop a third larger than 1942 and the largest in 5 years. Sugar beet production was the smallest since 1929 and about onethird the average production. An increase of 500,000 bags was expected in the Michigan bean crop. Dry weather in August reduced the second cutting of alfalfa hay. Milk production was slightly under 1942. Egg production of 113,000,000 dozens for August was the largest for that month in 19 years.

BRANCH GROUP FOR CROP INSURANCE

Gilead Township Farm Bureau of Branch county has asked for the restoration of federal crop insurance in the following resolution: "Since crop failure from causes be-

yond control of the farmer,-drouth and floods, ice and hail, hoppers, flies, and borers are a continual menace

and annually impoverish not only the farmers of all sections, but also bank rupt merchants because of lessened buying power of all,

And since the federal crop insurance administered by the AAA for five years has been generously supported, and a life saver for many sections and farmers,

And federal crop insurance is not one of political party, section or class, but is one of general welfare, and act of Congress, and since the present Congress has refused to coninue crop insurance,

Therefore, be it resolved by Gilead Township Farm Bureau that we most respectfully petition United States

for POULTRYMEN

1-Watch for Winter Colds and Outbreaks of Any Epidemic. 2-Keep the Litter Dry and Clean. 3-Watch the Water Fountains. Hens Need a Lot of Water Each Day. -Watch the Ventilation. Poor Ventilation **Induces Many Respiratory Diseases.**



Watch the vitamin content of mashes. Vitamins in feeds are vital for health and production. Farm Bureau Mermash and laying mash are largely 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 while gestating and while nursing young a 14% to 16% protein feed. See that ample minerals and vitamins are present in the feed. Farm Bureau Porkmaker 33% protein has no superior as a hog concentrate.

For DAIRYMEN

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

For good legume hay (clover, alfalfa or soy bean hay) fed liberally at the rate of 11/2 to 2 lbs. per 100 lbs. of live weight when silage is fed, a grain ration with 14 to 15% protein is sufficient when fed according to milk production. Water cows at least twice a day. See that salt is available or provide it occasionally.

Farm Bureau Milkmaker 32% protein is still the feed to get production and maintain health. It is fortified with irradiated yeast (Vitamin D) and with manganese sulphate.



FARM BUREAU BRAND SUPPLIES AT 300 FARMERS' ELEVATORS