EDITORIAL

Now is the Time!

Congressman Albert J. Engel of Muskegon is consid­ered one of the ablest and best informed men in Con­gress. His long and effective service on the armed forces of this country, in which he has worked as a member of the National Security Board, make him a man of great experience in the field of military affairs.

In his assessment of the present situation, he says that there is a great demand for military supplies, and that it will take a long time to produce enough of them.

"The time is ripe for the government to take strong action," he said. "We have a large number of factories and industries capable of producing military supplies, but they need the government's help to do so."

J. H. breed: The Michigan State Farm Bureau is one of the largest in the country, with 52,000 members. It is led by J. H. Breed, who has been president for the past five years.

The Farm Bureau is working to obtain more support for the government's efforts in World War II.

"We must have the support of the farmers," said J. H. Breed. "They are the backbone of our country, and we must have their help in this time of crisis."

Accept Prizes for Michigan at AFBF Convention

When Congress reconvenes Jan. 18, it is expected that the legislation to renew the farm income subsidy will be one of the major measures to be taken. The legislation will provide for a 50% subsidy of the cost of farm commodities sold at a specified price.

The legislation has the support of the American Farm Bureau Federation and the National Grange, and is expected to pass with little opposition.

Agriculture

MASON FIRST TO NEAR GOAL WITH 630 MEMBERS

St. Joseph County Farm Bureau, first in the 14 county membership campaign (December), reported Jan. 5, 1945, that they had 63 members in the county. This is the greatest number of members in the county since the organization was started.

Fox Squirrels like White Oak Trees

Farmers who have squirrels on their land can do as the farmers do, and plant as many white oak trees as they can. White oak trees are the favorite food of the fox squirrel, and by planting them on their property, farmers can help to control the population of the animal.

FARM BUREAU BUYS INTO FARM MACHINERY PLANT

Michigan's largest farm machinery plant, the Blackhawk Corn Planter, has been purchased by the Michigan Farm Bureau, for a cash price of $250,000.

FARM BUREAU SPEAKS ON NATIONAL PROBLEMS

Nearly 700,000 Farm Families Were Represented At 25th Annual Convention of the American Farm Bureau

The American Farm Bureau Federation at its 25th annual convention, Chicago, December 13-15, 1944, passed a resolution that 700,000 farm family members in 42 states recommend for maximum farm production, controls for inflation, farm supplies, relations with labor, and what they think our post-war domestic and foreign policies should include.

The meeting was one of the Federation's largest, it reflected an increase of more than 100,000 members the past year. The organization has set 1,000,000 members as a goal to be reached as soon as possible.

...adoption of the American Farm Bureau resolutions presented in separate articles in this edition, in full or in a summary.

... on the war's front, it was observed by the Farm Bureau, that for the fourth consecutive year the American farmer has been asked to increase production. It said that for some time after hostilities cease, the ability to produce will be a major post-war problem. Therefore, said the Farm Bureau, all government policies should give full consideration to the ability of farmers to produce at the amounts desired. It is vitally necessary that prices for farm products at the farm should have an equitable relationship with prices received by other groups. Furthermore, no government agency, should be permitted to lower a support price announced to farmers or to use a breach of faith, said the Farm Bureau, will break down confidence in all government guarantees and assurances respecting farm production.

Control of Inflation—The American Farm Bureau urged control of inflation by the establishment of equitable price controls and by the maintenance of a stable currency. It urged government to withdraw excess purchasing power through tax, by increasing the sale of bonds, and by discouraging the purchase of farm food subsidies. The Farm Bureau said the Farm Bureau, are not only unnecessary, but they are a threat to the currency. The Farm Bureau, once established, will be hard to eliminate. Consumers will call for more of these and more. Under a system of food subsidies, farmers will be subject to the whims of a food bureaucracy.

Farm Supplies—The Farm Bureau resolutions said that a minimum of regulation and restriction would help obtain maximum production. That applies particularly to farm supplies. The nation was warned that large amounts of farm machinery and tractors will be required in 1945 to replace machines worn out the past four years.

Price relationships should be as such to bring about economic production. For the period of the war, we should encourage imports of grain from Canada, importation of meat scraps, encourage our fishing industries. Labor Relations—The Farm Bureau said that it held government, as well as wage and labor relations, responsible for the stabilization of wage structures in industry and on the farm. When unionization is forced and forced upon workers through undemocratic means, and ruthlessly used to break the public but against its own members, communism cannot be said to be in the public interest....

... demand legislation to end these abuses and restore collective bargaining to a voluntary basis....

... vigorously disapprove a government policy that does not require comparable sacrifices on the part of all groups involved. We believe a government policy that does not require comparable sacrifices is unfair to the farmers...

... leading to the use of the machinery and implements of the farm. Only in this way can we make maximum production possible. This requires legislation to end these abuses and restore collective bargaining to a voluntary basis.

... if we do not do these things, farmers will lose their economic, political, and social status, and the government will be unable to produce the needed supplies.
Co-ops Are Becoming Manufacturers

The experience of the Ohio, Michigan, and Indiana Farm Bureau organizations in establishing a plant for blinding motor oil demonstrated also what the combined volume of the three states could do for the business earnings of each of them. The Michigan State Farm Bureau has observed that farm co-operatives can be as successful as manufacturers, as any one else. Perhaps, more so, since the established distribution of several to a dozen state and regional farm co-operatives provides the plant with an assured outlet for a rather large volume.

It has happened that the success in one manufacturing field has enabled farm co-operatives to start in another field. Such ventures have been brought together with the financial assets, business experience, and merchandising volume of powerful farmer-owned co-operative groups in many parts of the United States for their mutual benefit in a common cause.

Farm Bureau Services of Michigan is now a partner with the state and regional farm co-operative in these various operations.

United Co-operatives—Plants for manufacture of motor oils, fly spray, and anti-freeze at Indianapolis and Washington; paints and farm equipment plant at Alabaster, Ohio.

Farmer Milling Co.—Feed manufacturing mill at Farmington, Indiana.

National Co-operatives, Inc.—Milking machine plant at Waukesha, Wis.

National Farm Machinery Co.—Plant for manufacture of farm trucks, corn pickers, and manure spreaders at Shelbyville, Ind.; Ohio Co-operative Company, general farm machinery manufacturing plant at Bellows, Ohio.

Where S5 Farm Bureau Dues Goes

Eugene Smults of the Farm Bureau membership relations division gives this general picture of the investment of the Farm Bureau member’s S5 annual dues.

In the County . . . Your $2.40 (average for state) makes possible the carrying out of a Roll Call (to tell the Farm Bureau story to more farmers each year), promotional hospital and educational services in clubs, fosters County Farm Bureaus, (giving members a better understanding of their problems), a month of expression in the country, and the development of leadership training through Junior Farm Bureau, and many other services on a county level in these lines of educational, rural, farm production, and farm problems, etc.

In the State . . . Your $2.10 which goes to the State Farm Bureau office is supplemented with money from the insurance department and Farm Bureau Services. Money from all these sources pays for State Farm Bureau expenses relative to membership acquisition and maintenance, Junior Farm Bureau, Community Farm Bureaus, for presenting the views of farmers on public affairs to the legislature, to Congress, government officials, and everyone else who has to do with farm problems. It also provides for other State Farm Bureau activities. Out of it comes also the indemnity’s subscription to the Michigan Farm Bureau’s magazine, 

In The A. F. B., Your 50 cents maintains an aggressive, militant representation in Washington, D.C. to Congress, senators, and representatives, and work with local groups.

Associated Women of the Farm Bureau

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For more information, contact your local Farm Bureau office.

Make Sure of Farm Bureau FERTILIZER For Spring!

Order Now and Take Delivery During Winter

WAR FOOD ADMINISTRATION and all fertilizer manufacturers are making new fertilizer at the lowest possible prices and taking delivery during the winter.

FARM STORAGE of FERTILIZER should be kept in a dry, covered storage building where fertilizer is kept in a dry, covered storage building where fertilizer is kept. Use the words "FARM STORAGE" in the address of the building in which fertilizer is kept.

CO-OPE FARM CREDIT IS ESSENTIAL

Resolution adopted by American Farm Bureau Federation at Chicago, Dec. 23, 1943, this resolution has been adopted by the states.

This resolution is intended to establish a national cooperative system in the United States whereby farmers will have access to needed capital with the support of the federal government.

It is necessary that farmers be able to get credit for the purchase of farm equipment and supplies, and that credit be available at rural credit institutions.

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A POWER BOOSTER OVERHAUL NOW will equip your tractor to do more work and do it easier!

Concrete Dairy Improvements can help America meet new wartime production goals

The Department of Agriculture has urged greatly increased production of milk, eggs, meats, and other dairy products for the nation’s war economy.

The few farm improvements mentioned here will help you do your part in this effort.

One easy way to increase your dairy production is to use a Radium Prover.

Radium Proves Age and War for Quality!
American Farm Bureau On Post-War World

Resolution Adopted at 35th Annual Meeting

At a meeting of the American Farm Bureau Federation

The United States of America, citizen of human liberty and individual rights, will face grave duties and responsibilities in and to the post-war world. We can discharge these solemn obligations only through policies based on our ideals of Christian democracy. It would be a tragedy of world-wide proportions were we to fail to grasp our opportunity for creating a world based on individual freedom and the realization of a world of peace on a just and permanent basis.

Actuated by the principles proclaimed in the Sermon on the Mount, we as a nation must dedicate our national energies to the building of a new society in which the achievements of the ages will be protected and fostered, but in which the faith and fortitude that are a part of our Christian heritage which has lifted human hopes and aspirations to levels never before attained in the history of civilization.

1. International Affairs—We favor the United States of America as assuming its rightful place in the responsibility for international freedom.

2. World Rehabilitation—We favor extending aid to the people of the war-ravaged nations to relieve human suffering, but in every case, in order to avoid misunderstanding and to avoid our engaging in a world-wide war, we should do so under the leadership of the United Nations.

3. Price and Wage Policies—We favor policies that will assure full production and full employment, which will result in constantly rising standards for all groups. To obtain this objective it will be necessary to purchase in purchasing power all groups must be maintained.

We believe that this can best be accomplished by industry, labor, and agriculture working in cooperation with the executive and legislative branches of government and wage policies based on a philosophy of abundance. Only if each group will do its part to formulate and carry out such a program can this be accomplished. In order to achieve the general welfare against the development of excesses we must maintain a proper balance between the cost of living and the cost of production.

4. Constitutional Government—We recognize that as civilization becomes more complex, government must assume new functions, but we insist—

That our constitutional form of government with its balance of powers among the Legislative, Executive, and Judicial branches be severely observed and jealously guarded.

That the continuation of successful democracy demands that individuals and organizations take an active part in providing the necessary support for the solution of social, political and economic problems.

That the extent to which governmental aid is necessary, it should be carried on as far as possible by governmental units closest to the people, and where federal action is required, such powers should be exercised by those governmental units responsible for the general welfare of the people, and not through governmental agencies locally responsible and which can adapt such programs to local conditions.

We give greater reliance upon governmental action alone will inevitably destroy the principle of local control and in some form of stateism, the accompanying loss of our freedom. Government should be the servant and not the master of the people.

5. Economic and Social Policies—We favor all international policies that will encourage and facilitate maximum production, distribution, and consumption of agricultural products, but such production, distribution, and consumption shall be directed toward the achievement of full employment and elimination of economic waste.

6. Post-War Employment—We favor maximum employment and maximum pay for all workers and maximum production and maximum efficiency for all.

7. Foreign and domestic trade—We favor the replacement of tariffs, embargo, and other restrictions on the export and import of foreign and domestic commodities as an essential step in cooperation with other nations.

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Women’s Forum Started By Huron Farm Bureau

A Women’s Forum started by Huron Farm Bureau, with Mrs. H. W. Beatty, Huron County Farm Bureau, presiding, held its regular meeting in the Huron County Farm Bureau office, July 27, with Mrs. H. W. Beatty, Huron County Farm Bureau, presiding. The program included a discussion of the Four P’s and a report of the Ohio Women’s Forum held in Columbus, Ohio.

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Regional Women’s Forums are being formed by representatives of the various counties of Michigan. The Forum which serves as a unit for the women of the various counties of Michigan, is composed of representatives of the women of the various counties of Michigan. The Forum holds regular meetings to work for the good of their counties and the State, and to further the aims of the women of Michigan. The Forum is composed of representatives of the women of the various counties of Michigan. The Forum holds regular meetings to work for the good of their counties and the State, and to further the aims of the women of Michigan.

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MARKET INFORMATION

As of noon today, July 27th, the porker feeder is quoted $1.75 per hundredweight, as compared to $1.70 yesterday. The meat price, as of noon, is $2.75 per hundredweight, as compared to $2.70 yesterday.

The supplementary feed is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday. The corn price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday.

The wheat price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday. The soybeans price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday.

The cotton price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday. The rice price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday.

The sugar price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday. The coffee price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday.

The tea price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday. The cocoa price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday.

The rubber price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday. The wool price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday.

The leather price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday. The fur price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday.

The paper price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday. The wood price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday.

The coal price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday. The oil price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday.

The natural gas price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday. The electricity price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday.

The water price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday. The telephone price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday.

The transportation price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday. The insurance price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday.

The education price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday. The recreation price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday.

The medical price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday. The charitable price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday.

The government price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday. The military price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday.

The agriculture price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday. The forestry price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday.

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The construction price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday. The transportation price is quoted at $0.50 per hundredweight, as compared to $0.50 yesterday.
Junior Farm Bureau

WILL PURCHASE $13,500 IN WAR BONDS JAN. 8

After a year's liaison work, the Michigan State Junior Farm Bureau has arranged to purchase a $13,500 bond for the Michigan Farm Bureau. The Junior Farm Bureau will be the first for the Michigan Farm Bureau, which has agreed not to engage in this form of promotion. In other states, the Junior Farm Bureau will be the first to promote bonds. The amount of the bond is one of the largest in the country, according to the Michigan Farm Bureau.

PUBLISh JUNIOR FARM BUREAU MANUAL

Chairman Carl Leach of the Junior Farm Bureau committee for both Michigan and Indiana has just been appointed to the Michigan Farm Bureau committee. The appointment was made during the winter meeting of the Michigan Farm Bureau. The committee is composed of Dr. Carl Leach, Dr. John S. M. Ritchie, and Dr. John B. M. Ritchie.

1944 Community Farm Bureau

In the present day economy of the Junior Farm Bureau, the Michigan Farm Bureau is a member of the Michigan Farm Bureau. The state convention of the Junior Farm Bureau was held at Grand Rapids, Michigan, on February 14, 1944. It was decided to increase the membership of the Junior Farm Bureau to 2,000 and the Michigan Farm Bureau to 1,000.

Shoes for Soldiers

In addition to the pairs of shoes that have been donated to the Michigan Farm Bureau, the Michigan Farm Bureau has also donated shoes to the Michigan Farm Bureau. The shoes are to be sold by the Michigan Farm Bureau.

STATE COUNCIL MEETS JAN. 8

The first State Council meeting of the Junior Farm Bureau for the new year will be held at Grand Rapids, Michigan, on January 8, 1944.

Richard Nelson, president of the Junior Farm Bureau, said that the council will be held on January 8, 1944, at the Michigan Farm Bureau building, Grand Rapids, Michigan. The meeting will be held at 9:00 a.m.

TOMORROW

This could happen to you!

If you are looking for a job, you may be interested in the following opportunity:

The World's News Seen Through

You can learn about the world's news by reading the Michigan Farm News, a weekly newspaper published in Lansing, Michigan. The newspaper covers a wide range of topics, including news from around the world, local news, and the world of agriculture.

The Michigan Farm News is a great resource for anyone interested in learning about the world's news. If you are interested in learning more about the Michigan Farm News, you can visit their website or purchase a subscription.
STATE FARM BUREAU WINS 4 FIRSTS AT CHICAGO

Michigan Farm Bureau organizers won four first places and a grand championship at the annual convention of the American Farm Bureau Federation held in Chicago during its 12th annual convention Dec. 6-9.

The contests were intended to stimulate interest and strengthen Community Farm Bureau groups in their own states or districts. The captains of the Michigan Farm Bureau Federation which enters in 25 states and foreign countries from 2,000 to 29,999, Michigan, were: Group A—Heidelberg, 1,140. Group B—Detroit, 3,060,115. Group C—East Lansing, 13,169. Group D—Ann Arbor, 14,231.

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