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WE'RE BRINGING IN A BUMPER CROP .....!

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## EDITORIAL

### Victory Lays New Responsibilities

Victory is ours. The fighting is ended on the fields of battle, in the air, and on the seas in World War II.

Thus ends the greatest military struggle in world history between free men and the forces of aggression. To have lost this war would have been the end of life as we know it.

We have won the struggle through the combined efforts of the United Nations. At home we owe an overwhelming and lasting debtof gratitude to the 12 million Americans in the services. We have to remember that a quarter of a million of them died in the winning of the war. Five hundred thousand or more were wounded. Many will be handicapped more or less for the remainder of their lives.

We have talked to a number of returned soldiers who were in Europe or in the Pacific. What they have experienced makes our best efforts very small indeed.

Now we are faced with making a just and enduring peace. That peace should include the elimination if possible of the causes of war. In our opinion the causes of war are very largely economic, such as access to markets and raw materials. In the past the world has been inclined to cover up such sore spots, while permitting them to get worse.

At home we must be ready with opportunities for the men and women of the armed forces as they return to us. That means an expanding national economy.

When we consider even a few of the world and domestic situations calling for a fair answer, this is going to be a challenging and interesting life in these United States for some years to come.

### Post War Days Are Here

Post war days are here for all practical purposes. Even before President Truman announced the Japanese acceptance of surrender terms, the navy stopped work on a gigantic shipbuildng program. Within a few days Washington had cancelled 93,000 war contracts.

This suggests considering the position of industry and agriculture on V-J day and what provisions have been made for transferring labor and agriculture from war time to peace time production.

July 1 Fred M. Vinson, then director of war mobilization and reconversion, made a report to the President. He said that 45% of American energies were then directed to the war effort. About 8,750,000 were employed in the manufacture of munitions. Mr. Vinson said that reconversion was under way and should be so well along by the end of the year so that should the Japanese war end then the remaining transition period should not be noticeable. He pointed out that the shorter the war, the greater the dislocations upon V-J day. V-J day came August 14.

Since V-J day some of the largest automobile factories have announced that they are almost reconverted and soon will be ready to go. In the meantime some 30,000,000 workers are entitled to unemployment insurance up to six menths at rates ranging from \$15 a week in some states to \$25 in Michigan.

July 1 Gov. I. W. Duggan of the Farm Credit Administration said that agriculture is producing one-third more food and fiber than -we did before the war. With adequate fertilizer, farm machinery and labor becoming available that production could go higher.

Government agencies calculate that present day at-the-farm prices for farm products are 115 per cent of parity.

By act of Congress farm prices are to be supported at 90% of parity for two years after the war. The Emergency Price Control Act sets the time as "the expiration of the two year period beginning with the first day of January immediately following the date upon which the President by proclamation declares that hostilities in the present war have terminated."

That could be quite a long time. President Truman has not proclaimed that hostilities are at an end. In World War I, fighting ceased on Nov. 11, 1918, but it was not until July 2, 1921 that Congress adopted a joint resolution which said that war no longer existed between the United States and Germany.

In the meantime the parity price provisions obtain. They apply to a list of basic farm commodities including: Wheat, cotton, corn, rice, tobacco, milk, butter, and hogs.

The farm public is being prepared now by adminstration statements for price support at 90% of parity. Lawyers in the U. S. Dep't. of Agriculture say that the price support law includes ample authority for control of crop acreages. They say acreage quotas may be set and other reductions may be called for. Farmers will be asked to sign agreements to comply and only those farmers, say the attorneys, will be eligible for post-war support prices.

The price support act was designed to reduce war time production towards peace time requirements within a two year limit. A tight system of crop control may be the answer.

At any rate farmers will have a voice in the matter. Nearly one million of them are now members of the American Farm Bureau

### First Live Stock in America

The first arrival of cattle, sheep and hogs in America and the westward movement of those industries is discussed interestingly in several agricultural bulletins published by Swift & Company.

The first cattle brought to the American colonies on the Atlantic seaboard reached Jamestown, Virginia, in 1611. Later small herds were landed at Plymouth, Massachusetts, and other colonies. Early colonial laws prohibited slaughter. A single cow was often so valuable to the community that ownership was held by several persons.

The movement of eastern cattle to new farm lands in the west began shortly after the Revolutionary war. About 1800 there began a movement of cattle from Mexico into our western plains country. These cattle were "longhorns," animals descended from Spanish cattle brought to the West Indies by early Spanish explorers. By 1870 cattle were being produced quite generally throughout the United

The first sheep were landed in Jamestown in 1609. Forty-five years later colonial governments sought to encourage the woolen industry by forbidding the importation of wool from England. President Washington imported the best breeds of sheep, and arranged to bring to this country the most experienced spinners and weavers from abroad. Pioneers pressed westward with the opening of the Erie canal in 1825. Great areas marvelously suited to sheep raising were

opened up and the American sheep industry expanded accordingly. Hog production on the North American continent began with the early explorers and colonists. The Spanish explorer, DeSoto, brought hogs into Florida in 1538. Some years later other shipments arrived at Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and the colonies along the Atlantic

Two centuries ago most of the people and the hog production were located on the eastern seaboard. If pork was not consumed at home, it was prepared in barrels of brine for the West Indies. As the first settlers moved into the Ohio valley to begin farming and live stock raising there, hog production began to move westward, too. As rapidly as the pioneers opened up new corn lands, they produced more hogs. The best way to sell corn was to feed it to hogs and sell the hogs when they were fat. As one writer of early days put it, the system was to "pack 15 bushels of corn into a pig. pack the pig (pork) into a barrel, and ship the barrel to the eastern seaboard." In time the greatest concentration of hog production centered in the corn belt states of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Iowa, and Nebraska. Iowa became the leading hog-producing state in 1880 and has always ranked first since that date.

### Under Foreign Rule

The territories which comprise our 48 states were once ruled by one or more of six foreign countries, all or France, 19 under Spain, 8 under Mex- that move.-Arabian Proverb.

under Sweden.

All mankind is divided into three part of the areas of 30 states having classes: Those that are immovable, this gate?" been under Great Britain, 25 under those that are movable, and those "I guess" went through."

slightly greater than that of the state ico. 4 under the Netherlands, and 2

# POSTWAR DEPRESSION IN LEGISLATIVE HALLS

OPA DID

shortages. Such changes include:

new secretary of agriculture.

STATE ANNUAL

MEETING CERTAIN

The Michigan Farm Bureau an-

nual meeting will be held, Nov. 8-9

at Michigan State College. August

31 the ODT at Washington lifted

the ban on state conventions

where not more than twenty-five

At its August 13 meeting the Michi-

gan Farm Bureau board of directors

said that unless federal restrictions

on conventions are lifted or modified

considerably it will be impossible to

hold the 1945 annual meeting in

November. At that time conventions

of the Farm Bureau would bring 381

members, on the basis of one delegate

per 100 members. Usually several

hundred visitors attend. In 1944 when

the delegate basis was one for each

50 members, the total attendance was

The responsibilities of young people

from rural areas in conserving Amer-

ica's soil resources, if this country is

to maintain a high standard of living

was stressed recently in a talk by James McKittrick of the Soil Conser-

vation Service, Benton Harbor, to the

Settlement of Berrien county began

in earnest about 1845-and most of

the land had been taken up by the

time of the Civil War. Yet by 1870

navigation of the St. Joseph river by

large boats was stopped due to a

Native forests had been removed

and the land was being plowed for wheat to be exported. The land was

being denuded of its native vegeta-

McKittrick said that everyone recognizes gully erosion but few

realize the extent of sheet erosion

which attacks the land like an in-

sidious disease. Just as the physician

applies preventive medicine, the

farm operator can apply soil and

Modern Italy has an area only

water conservation measures to pre-

vent soil erosion, McKittrick said.

tion and erosion was on its way.

large sawmill operations

West Berrien Junior Farm Bureau.

**EROSION MAKES** 

**BIG CHANGES** 

out-of-state persons attended.

reling about food.

amendment eliminates a dozen or

Congressman William W. Blackney of Michigan said in July that it was Bureau of Elkton, has called on Govsurprising that those in control of ernor Harry F. Kelly to take steps to OPA did not recommend nor did they end the inequitable spread between endorse a single amendment to im- the price allowed on the city retail prove the price control law when it was extended for one year by Congress. On the contrary, they insisted farmers. The Farm Bureau stated that that no changes be made in the law, while it realized this is a federal matregradless of the shortages and dister, it believed that if the governor were to take a stand in the matter it tribution troubles charged to it.

Nevertheless, said Mr. Blackney, might bring better results. Congress adopted several amendments which it believes will correct some injustices and thereby relieve the food as high as 60c a dozen, while the OPA holds the farmer down to 30c a dozen 1—Amendment to take all quotas This price is not cost of production off small slaughter plants, and to permit meat from these plants to farmers are culling their flocks to a move across state lines and supply minimum and that chicks bought last spring will be used for meat rather surrounding communities. Many

than egg production. slaughter plants had been closed because of the quotas imposed by OPA. 2-Amendment to centralize the food production and distribution prothe home of Alan Stauffer the sceond gram under Clinton Anderson, the Thursday in September at which offi-He must work with OPA on prices. The more agencies which have been quar-

# Propose Liberty Bell

proposal is this description:

# HURON GROUP ASKS **GOVERNOR'S AID TO** RAISE EGG PRICES

The Elk-Riverside Community Farm

Walter Schuette, president, declared

The meeting at which action was taken was held at the home of Ernest Fluegge. The next meeting will be at cers will be elected for the year, At the meeting last Thursday evening. Al Bailey was chosen to represent the Sales Cultivator, a house organ for com-

# Repair by Welding

Lincoln Electric Company of Cleveland has proposed to Congress that the crack in the Liberty Bell be repaired by welding so that the bell may be rung again. A method of procedure has been outlined. Included in the

"The Liberty Bell weighs just over one ton, is 12 feet in circumference over the crown is 2 feet 3 inches."

# **38,066 MEMBERS** AS FARM BUREAU FISCAL YEAR ENDS

The Michigan Farm Bureau made a net gain of 9,023 familes in the membership campaigns of Jan.-Feb.-March. 1945, together with those enrolled in

succeeding months.

The Michigan Farm Bureau fiscal year ends August 31, but the memberships are on a calendar year basis. County Farm Bureaus have been setting their membership goals for 1946. Preliminary figures indicate that the state goal for 1946 will be around 46,500. The following figures show the County Farm Bureau memberships today and where they stood before the 1945 membership campaign. Paid-up Paid-up

	Members Aug. 31, 1945	Dec. 31, 1944
Allegan	1.204	800
Antrim	299	266
Barry	1.057	815
Bay	742	476
Benzie	258	179
Berrien	2.740	2.369
Branch	1,331	1,357
Calhoun	1,111	1.024
Cass	814	498
Charlevoix	162	126
Clinton	955	718
Eaton	1,076	845
Genesee		649
Gratiot		706
Hillsdale	643	597
Huron	792	676
Ingham	947	636
ionia		699
Isabella		550
Jackson		401
Kalamazoo	899	687
Kent	502	325
Lapeer		233
Lenawee		162
Livingston)		517
Macomb		431
Manistee		213
Mason		6.48
Mecosta		282
Midland		136
Missaukee		7.4
Montealm		246
Monroe		1.2
Muskegon		286

Manistee	0.24	
Mason	665	
Mecosta		
Midland		
Missaukee		
Montealm		
Monroe	53	
Monroe		
Muskegon		
Newaygo	517	
NW Michigan		
Grand Traverse and		
Leelanau'		
Oakland	667	
Oceana	582	
Osceola	97	
Ottawa	1,279	1
Saginaw		1
Sanilae	1.115	
Shiawassee		
St. Clair		
St. Joseph		
Tuscola		
Van Buren	1,001	
Washtenaw		
Wexford	89	
TOTAL	38,066	29
LULAH monimum	001000	

### Fighting Farm Co-ops "There is nothing to be gained by

fighting farmer cooperatives." says the S. Rubber Co., in a recent bulletin to its dealers throughout the country. Business cannot prosper by so doing. Their principles should be understood and then methods of competing with them can be devised.

Appearing in a recent issue of its Elk-Riverside Community Farm Bu- pany salesmen, the statement explains leau on the County Action Committee. what the co-ops are, why they exist and how they function. Significantly, dealers are told that "Any corporation that same basis."

### Keep Going

Everyone has his superstitutions. around the 3-inch thick lip, 7 feet 6 One of mine has always been that inches around the crown where the thickness is 11/4 inches. The height up do anything, never to turn back or to to the crown is three feet while that stop until the thing intended was ac-, complished.-Ulysses S. Grant.

### Farm Bureau Helps Rebuild Repair Shop

were limited to 50 persons from out of occasion when fire, set by lightning, town. Recently the figure has been destroyed the community garage and has sent us two pictures. The picture increased to 150. A delegate meeting farm machinery repair shop operated at the top was taken last winter and by Frank Schmucker, He is a mem-shows Mr. Schmucker (left) standing voting delegates to represent 38,066

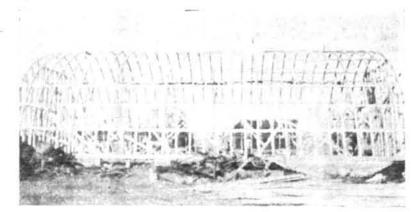
Last year the Chief Community Farm | and broke the news to Mr. Schmucker. Bureau of Manistee county rose to the He decided to stay in such a community.

Mrs. Richard Eckman, secretary,



ber of the group. factory job. Chief Community Farm raised. sand bar forming at Berrien Springs. Bureau quietly raised \$700 for mater. The shop is a very busy place. Re-

in front of his new garage and farm The shop was a complete loss except machinery repair shop. Extension for a little insurance. Mr. Schmuck- classes in repairing farm machinery er was unable to get materials for rebuilding and considered leaving for a was taken when the frame had been



Said the stout lady to the little lals. Members and other farmers pair work ranges from trucks, tract- ing that time cuts the yield. boy: "Can I get into the park through gave cash, agreed to donate logs, help ors, automobiles, and farm machinery saw them into lumber and help re to washing machines. He does acety "I guess so, lady, A load of hay just build the shop. When everything lene and electric welding, and builds was set, they called another meeting trailers.

# What's New in the Farm Bureau

Membership Starting Program Meetings for 1945-46; Service Departments at Work On Seeds, Feeds, Machinery

September 1 these developments were under way as the Michigan Farm Bureau goes into the fall and winter

Membership—38,066 members in 50 County Farm Bureaus could look forward to county meetings at which recommendations will be made for state and local Farm Bureau programs. Delegates will be named to the Michigan Farm Bureau annual meeting in November, should federal restrictions on conventions be modified so as to permit a state meeting.

County Farm Bureau leaders are making plans and securing workers for the 1946 membership campaigns. These start in northern counties in December. Most of them are held in January, February and some in March. An effort will be made to increase the state membership to 46,500 or more. In early July County Farm Bureau leaders held regional meetings at which the counties set their membership goals for 1946.

State office employes are developing over-all plans for the campaigns, supplies for workers, and a newspaper advertising campaign, available to County Farm Bureaus for publication in advance of their membership campaigns. Last year 48 County Farm Bureaus published a total of 397 such advertisements ahead of their campaigns. They enrolled 12,000 new members for a net gain of 9,023 families.

During September nearly 600 Community Farm Bureaus will have completed their elections and will have held their first program meeting of the year.

Legislation-The Michigan Farm Buand means for support of farm prices at 90% of parity for two years after the official end of the war when that time comes. Also registly to the comes also registly to the comes. time comes. Also, agriculture's interest in rationing, price ceilings and other controls, crop control, farm machinery and farm supplies. Michigan Farm Bureau legislative dep't is prepared to represent the members' interest in the state. Many new laws enacted by the 1945 legistime state laws and regulations affecting agriculture will soon be up for re-

Farm Bureau Services-The farm supplies section of the Farm Bureau working fast and hard to service he membership with all possible supplies this fall and winter and for next

Seed Dep't-The seed dep't has completed extensive additions to its plant at Lansing. Nearly 14,000 square feet of floor space have been added. pasis (as a co-operative) by refunding ities have been installed. At present its profits to its patrons. Many mutual the dep't is shipping a large volume insurance companies, savings banks, of certified and uncertified seed credit associations etc., operate on this wheat. Yorkwin soft white wheat is in great demand because of its higher rust and smut. Rye has moved in

large volume. So has vetch, The seed dep't has been buying and buy, clean and process alfalfa, clover and other seeds for next season. The Farm Bureau is one of the largest distributors of field seeds in Michigan.

ontinues to present difficulties. The shortage of feed is due to the tremenlous numbers of live stock and poultry, together with shortages of grains and shortages of concentrates which are by-products of other industries. Soybean meal is hard to keep in meal for poultry feeds. Corn is short and that scarcity is reflected in the supply of mixed feeds and scratch

fair share of available feeds. It is working to improve the situation. he meantime Farm Bureau feed dealers have been allocated their share for coming months, based on previous Eighty dealers are using Farm Bur-

au Mermade Balancer as a base for nanufacturing poultry feeds.

dep't is preparing for a great post-war program. As controls are eased and naterials become available, you will code a township board may adopt. hear considerable from this dep't machinery, tools and electrical appli-

prospects for a larger and better paper in the near future. Restrictions have been modified for newsprint. We are permitted to use more paper if we can get it.

### Keep Spraying Potatoes of rural property values by unsigntly and poor construction. Something Until Harvest Time

The last two weeks to a month of growth are the most important to potato vines in developing a crop, experiments at Michigan State college reveal. Tests show that an average inrease of 81 bushels to the acre takes place during the last 12 days of rowth of the potato vines. This is the period when the tubers stage their most rapid increase in size. Hence, anything that damages the vines dur- Acres in Crops

against one-third 35 years ago.

# reau is co-operating with the American Farm Bureau at Washington on all reconversion problems of interest to agriculture. This includes ways FARM BUREAU

Stanley Powell has advised Farm Bureau action committeemen that he is representing the Farm Bureau on a subcommittee of the Michigan Planning Commission, which is charged nature have just gone into effect. War with preparing a township building

> The code is to be recommended as a model code to the various townships for the control of building and re modeling of one and two family dwell ings, in accordance with Act No. 185 of the Public Acts of 1943 govern ing the establishment of minimum construction codes for townships,

Mr. Powell has asked the action committeemen to assist him in presenting the farmers' point of view to the subcommittee. He has received his first report on the announced purpose of the subcommittee and the progress it has made so far.

The members of the committee, said Mr. Powell, say their principal proyield of a superior milling grain, and olem is to cope with the mushroom because of its greater resistance to growth of shoddy construction which occurs in unincorporated sections of townships outside the larger cities of the state. They are interested in regwill continue for several months to ulations which will assure sound construction and will improve rather chan destroy property values,

The committee members have been outspoken, said Mr. Powell, in declar-The garden seed dep't will occupy ing that they have no intention of immuch larger space in accordance with posing restrictions or regulations on the construction of farm homes or ten-Feed Dep't-The business of sup- ant houses. On the other hand, they plying mixed feeds and concentrates say that a home is one of the largest investments the average man makes in a lifetime, and that he might appreciate a guide to minimum standards for good construction.

The kind of helter skelter construction going on in rural areas near cities prompted the adoption in 1943 supply. So are meat scraps and fish of Act 185 to provide a legal foundation for township building codes Since the act became effective 22 townships have adopted codes. They vary considerably. The Nevertheless, Farm Bureau Services planning commission seeks to provide ees to it that our people get their an acceptable model code to promote generally good and uniform codes wherever adopted. The Act provides for dividing the

unincorporated areas of a township into districts. Code requirements may differ for the several districts. It is assumed that no building code would be adopted until the township had been zoned, and that the code restric-Machinery & Electrical Dep't-This tions would not apply to strictly rural

The model code still under consithrough the Farm News. Farm Bur- deration sets minimum standards for eau dealers will have tractors, farm materials and construction to assure permanency and service. It provides minimum standards for light and ven-Michigan Farm News-We have tilation of various rooms, minimum room sizes and ceiling heights, minimum plumbing requirements, including proper disposal of sewage.

Letters to Mr. Powell from action committeemen agree that something is needed to prevent the destruction needs to be done to curb contractors whose specialty is flimsy buildings. The farm people want to be certain that any proposed building code is not compulsory but is subject to approval and common sense application by rural and other groups within the township.

# 48 Million More

The war years since 1940 have ex-One-sixth of the United States panded by over 48 million acres the population now resides on farms as farm lands in 2,000 countles, according to the 1945 Census of Agriculture,

# MICHIGAN

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(Continued from page 1.) prices on the lumber market are sawed from rare large veterans of unbelievable age. If man would continue to use this class of timber he must devise means of growing it in less than half the time nature has taken to grow it.

ASSOCIATED WOMEN

# SCRAP BOOK CONTEST FOR 1944

to \$3, will be given in November by by the use of pictures, eartoons, and the Associated Women of the Farm other material from state and nat'l Bureau for the best five scrap books Farm Bureau and other papers, but of newspaper articles regarding the they will be judged on the volume of Farm Bureau in Michigan.

Prizes to be awarded in 1944: Best your county. book, \$15, second \$10, third, \$8, fourth \$5, and fifth \$3,

compiled by individuals or representatives of Community or County Farm Does Record Business Bureaus. Generally, the books have The Michigan Potato Growers Ex-The books are judged in advance of the annual meeting of the Associated which will be the morning of Nov. 9, at the Michigan State Farm Bureau, worth; Membership Relations department, 221 No. Cedar St., Lansing, not later than November 1.

The scrap books are intended to record Farm Bureau articles printed asparagus.

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Shouldn't

Buy

level?

in the newpapers and magazines with in the county, including of course, the County Farm Bureau publication, Clippings may include County Farm Bureau, Community Farm Bureau, Junior Farm Bureau, Associated Women and general Farm Bureau items from your own county papers. The Five prizes, ranging from \$15 down books may be made more attractive Farm Bureau articles published in

# Farm Bureau scrap books may be Mich. Potato Exchange

compiled in 12 monthly sections. In change marketed last season the other years most scrap books have largest potato tonnage in 10 years. It come in the name of a Community did a gross business of \$2,046,900 and Farm Bureau and the compiler. The distributed \$23,175 in patronage diviprize is awarded to the compiler, dends after setting aside postwar re-The Farm Bureau scrap book contest serves. The report was made to rpreis conducted annually by the Associa-sentatives of 197 locals at the 26th anted Women of the Farm Bureau, nual meeting at Cadillac, August 24. Joseph T. Bussey of Provement was re-elected president. Other officers are Women at the Fairchild Theatre Bldg., Charles Cummings, Barryton, vice State College, East Lansing. Prize pres.; L. G. VanLiew, Bellaire, secrewinners are announced at the meeting. tary; E. A. Rasmussen, Sheridan, treasurer. Directors elected: Albert protest, for we need slow time in farm the first day of the State Farm Kipfer, Stephenson; Albert Dietz, Bureau meeting. Scrap books are due Rogers City; Peter .Weiland, Ells-William Wisti, Chassell; Thomas Berghouse, Falmouth.

Early Romans were the first to eat



## Lost Articles-And Stuff

So often I wonder what happens To various goods I possess, wonder in wistful bemusement; I ponder in pensive distress.

Whence vanish the tools and equipment That baffle my searches, and then After minutes or months of oblivion Just how do they turn up again?

At work by the bench in the tool house I busily hammer and pound, When suddenly, all in an instant, The hammer nowhere around.

glance here and there with a grumble; The world is infested with puzzles I search all the drawers in the bench; madly ransack through the shavings-And then drive my nails with the

omes Thursday; I go to the tool house To hunt for a bolt like enough And there on the bench lies the hammer. I wonder what happens to stuff!

Cold comfort she offers, and small. "Most likely it's just where you left it." Unquote, Which is no help at all, Sometimes I suspect that she uses

It is fruitless to go and ask Marthy.

My screwdriver, oil can and pliers, But, when I accuse her forthrightly. "Why not?" she succinctly inquires

"I know where my things are" says Marthy, "So don't go and get in a huff."

Thus shedding no light whatsoever On what it is happens to stuff.

Not given to mortals to know. Dark mysteries lurk to confound us As onward we gropingly go.

And many's the time that old Hiram Has paused, when the going was rough And mused, with his hands full of whiskers,

Oh! I wonder what happens to stuff!

### Community Farm Bureau Activities

By EUGENE A. SMALTZ Membership Relations & Education

SAGINAW-KOCHVILLE, Saginaw-Unfairness in administering \$5 Use Stamp for cars was discussed. We should repeal or rectify the Use Stamp Act in such a manner as to necessitate the purchasing of the stamp by all owners of motor vehicles.

SWAN CREEK-JAMES, Saginaw-The city of Saginaw in the coming election will vote on the time question. We ask, "Where does the farmer come in on that question when we have to abide by their decision?" We

WEST COLUMBIA, Ingham-Program planning for 1944-45 was topic. Each one was asked to write most important matters to be included in our program. Many suggestions were made They pertained to post-war markets, rural schools, rural youth ecreation, rural health, fuller use of Lou Moon of the Rosebush Chamber

NORTHEAST, St. Clair-Mr. Doty, of Port Huron expressed a keen de-sire to bring about a closer relation-formation concerning some projects ship between urban and rural people. that could be studied now for devel-He asked for suggestions concerning opment after the war. It was suggesta farmer's community market and a ed that 1/2 mill be set aside as a "sink meeting place when they came into ing fund" for a period of five or the city. He also asked to be taken more years. This amount to be matchinto the Farm Bureau family. Our ed by the State and Federal Governclub is talking of purchasing some ment. new chairs. It was also decided to purchase a book with funds on hand of the planning committee of Rose-to be presented to the Public Library bush Chamber of Commerce, and a of the County in memory of the late committee from our group consisting

George Lockwood WEST SALINE, Washtenaw-Resolve that farm families receive extra sugar allotment due to the fact that they bake and can a large portion of their supplies, whereas city families

hall at Forrest Hill redecorated for supply of repair parts be made available in each community. operated by the Red Cross. This is a project of the Associated Women of

tion of the rural people VOLNEY-WEST DENVER, Newaygo Discussed rationing of farm machinery. Most members did not approve Jones was chosen to represent this of the present system. It was suggest- group as a candidate for Harvest ed: first, that the County Rationing Queen Board should work with 1 or 2 farmers Branch County Annual 4-H Fair. This from all parts of the county to get group is helping three other groups a better idea of the local needs; and from the north side of the county to second, speed up the delivery of decorate and display a float for the machinery so applicant can have the parade, machinery for the season.

study consolidation of schools this candidates running for public office summer. We plan to discuss matters in the county. Some time was given pertaining to legislation and election to discussing the local drainage and at our meetings, so we can vote more intelligently. Group protests the low asked to find out about our local Gas ceiling price fixed on poultry. Memhers urge that the matter of the consolidation of the County Health Department be brought back to the vote of the people, instead of the vote of the Supervisors.

NORTHEAST BURNSIDE, Lapeer Two problems for Community Farm Bureau discussion next year were: (1) Better opportunities for young people in our community along lines of education, and recreation, (2) Organize groups for the purpose of handling our produce more efficiently for the farmer.

For the County- (1) Better health program for our county, (2) Co-operation between Supervisors and Community Farm Bureau Groups.

COUNTY LINE, Leelanau-William Ansorge, who had been appointed to investigate the possibilities of improving our highway M-72 which is in a deplorable condition for traffic, responded by reading the petition he had prepared and the plans he has of obtaining signatures on the petition which will be sent to the State Highway Department to persuade the De partment to include this road project as part of their post-war planning. Many members offered to assist Mr. Ansorge in circulating the petition.

SOUTH LEROY, Calhoun-Plans for county program for 1945. For the community-1. Recreation: (a) playground activitites for younger children. (b) movies and pictures for rural areas. (c) More socialibility and neighborliness. 2. More information and understanding of farm problems. For the county-1. More delegates to large farm meetings. 2. Time change from fast time (E.W.T.) to slow time (C.W.T.)

For the state-1. Removal of 3c highway tax on tractor fuel. 2. Elect farmers to state offices so that they will know something about farm problems. 3. O.P.A. personnel to know something about the farmer and his needs. 4. Give information to farmers on records and qualifications of political candidates.

CRYSTAL, Oceana-Federal superrised, uniform education was suggested as one thing that should be done to help families in our community. More time is to be spent on this topic at our September meeting. Our group asks our County and State Farm Bureau to keep us informed on the stands our office-seekers take on laws affecting farmers.

SUPERIOR, Washtenaw - Group agreed that the collection and subsequent refunding of the 3% tax on gas used for agricultural purposes be eliminated and replaced by signed affidavits similiar to sales tax exemptions. It was decided that this would eliminate the expense of collecting and refunding this money as well as lessening the inconvenience to the

WALTON-WHITEVILLE, Isabella-Services, and bringing of Commerce explained how money rural and urban groups together, might be raised to provide a commun ity recreational center; 1/2 mill tax cretary of Chamber of Commerce to be levied on the township or coun-

> It was decided to have a meeting of Evart Bowerman, Preston Johnson, Ed Lewis and Henry Funnell.

CRYSTAL, Oceana-Members felt that one of the most serious problems facing the farmers of this community was the difficulty in obtaining farm buy at stores, yet they receive the machinery and repair parts. Motion same amount of sugar as farmers. was carried to petition our County (Note - Similar resolutions have been and State Farm Bureau to do all in passed by many other groups all over their power to obtain a higser allot-PINE RIVER, Gratiot-Walter Fer- fied way of obtaining the same. Also ris will act for group in getting the it is recommended that a complete

SHELBY, Oceana-Group gave \$5.00 to the War Service League. It was the American Farm Bureau. The decided to ask the Oceana Farm members extended a vote of apprecia- Bureau to co-operate with us and sponsor the Oceana "News Letter" tion to the business people of the local towns who keep their places of business open all week for accomoda.

The Farm Bureau might also write a special letter in the "News Letter" a special letter in the "News Letter". to the Oceana farm boys in the armed services.

SHERWOOD, Branch - Valdene

PARK TOWNSHIP, St. Joseph-NEWTON, Calhoun-We decided to brief report was given on some of the ditch problems. The secretary was Rationing Board and what they know about the farmer's problems.

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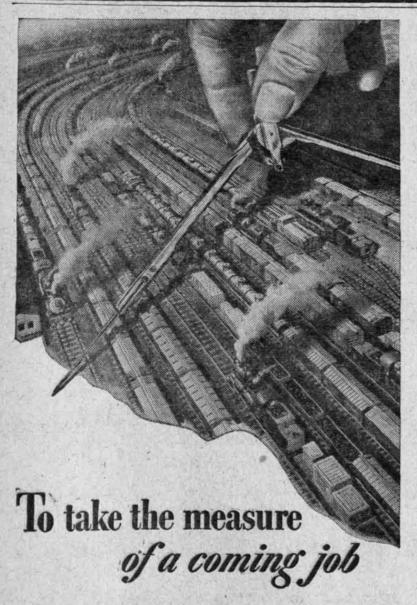
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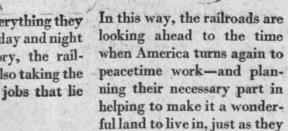


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# Many a flag that flies over the War Time Changes On Farms Will Stay

By MRS. EDITH M. WAGAR

Briar Hill Farm, Carleton, Monroe Co. That old adage, "don't-cross the bridge until you come to it" is something more of us should keep in mind. Many of our worries are uncalled for. There's always some way to meet the situation . Quite often too that bridge never shows up and the fretting has all been for naught.

Folks find they can get along with-

joy convincing ourus would have be of the enclosure.

than we dared

dream they would. Then, there's been that great shortge of manpower that everybody talks about! I'll admit it has been some problem, and a little help would seem at times like a bit of heaven brought to one; but, not being available, it has made us resort to emergency methods that have proved invaluable.

Our folks gathered together old and new material and had made what is called a buckrake. Haying was done much easier and a little quicker and without the extra help that was always considered necessary before.

The grain is now cut with a combine. The straw is baled with a pickup baler. Baled oat straw is hauled into the barn and is always available whenever needed. The long tedious job of exchange work in threshing is eliminated, and the other work is not neglected as it would be if harvesting country, but, even at that, there's was done in the old way.

We find we can farm without a straw stack in the barnyard. The we want it to be. That goal can be manure is hauled direct from the reached only through united effort on stables as a part of the daily chores. New fencing has been out of the best.

patched up the old and turned to the electric one wire system as the old gives out. What a blessing it has come to be! It's gratifying to know that when the juice is on the cows stay in.

There was no one here who had time to run the lawn mower last spring. We have a large yard and when it rains as often as it did for so many weks it meant many hours of out many things these days. We find manpower that just wasn't available. we can use the old So, the yard was fenced off with one even if it is out of strand of tied-together wire and the date or partly worn horses turned in every few days. out. We rather en- Really, the yard has been very respectable all summer. No juice was conselves that we have nected with this wire, but the horses overcome a bad were so used to fences that are chargsituation. None of ed that they make no effort to get out

> lieved we would or I hope some other way of mowing could run the old the lawn can be devised, for the time car all of this is coming soon when horses will be time. We admit out of date here. In fact, sentiment those old tires have plays a big part in an excuse for done far better keeping them at all. The general farm work is all done with the tractor.

Now, this is not the way we farmed in the past. Perhaps, it is not the way we would farm now if conditions were different, and again perhaps we might go a whole lot more modern than we have if we could get all that we wanted.

It's a good plan not to discard the old until we are convinced there's something better. But, it is foolhardy not to accept the makeshift when the regular is not available.

I feel that out of all of these neces sary curtailments there will come to our use new methods, new materials, new inventions, and new appliances These should eliminate much of the hard manual labor in farming and as sure the farm family its just share of comforts and leisure.

We all know American agriculture is way ahead of that of any other much improvement to be made right here before it will be the ideal life the part of those who know farming

### Junior Farm Bureau Activities

By MISS MARGARET PEASE State Publicity Chairman

Allegan, Overisel-Officers elected for the coming year are: President, Harvard Hoekje; Vice Pres., Carl Immink; Sec'y, Ethel Vande Piet; Treas., Esther Lampen; Publicity Chairman,

year are: President, Norman Behmlander; Vice Pres., John Arnold; Sec-y and Treas., Doris Birch; Pub. Chairman, Hildegarde Ziegler; Rec. Chair- early potato ceiling prices to farmers man, Stella Schmidt and Elmer Lisius. at \$3.60 per cwt., but reduced the then Delegates were chosen to attend the Michigan ceiling from \$2.85 to \$2.60. Elsie Lisius, chairman of the program committee presented it to the ducers at its plant near Bay City. Mr.

by the Berrien organization. Follow- pensate for short crops. ing the afternoon cruise on the S. S. Dick Koenigshof of Buchanan was for District No. 1 for the coming year. The evening ended with an interesting than they would have been. talk by the Rev. F. M. Barden of the Sodus Charge who stressed the importance of setting a goal, and then attaining that goal through proper use of leadership.

cers elected for the coming year are: Pres., Dean Hewitt; Vice Pres., Joe Simko; Sec'y-Treas., Josephine Medo; Ass't Sec'y-Treas., Wilma Schaenefield; Pub. Chairman, Jeanne Bittner; door ice cream party was held at the home of J. Burton Richards on August

Branch County-We were hosts at a district week end camp at Corey Lake near Three Rivers on August 12 and 13. About 67 young people from Calhoun, Kalamazoo and Branch counties were present. A group of about 20 from St. Joseph county came for Saturday evening's dance. State Junior Farm Bureau President Richard Nelson came down from the State Board Meeting in Lansing. The "Fair Planning" committee is laying plans for our participation in the Branch County Fair, September 13 to 16.

Kalamazoo County - Twelve menbers attended the week and three day camp at Waldenwoods. The program dinner at noon. for the coming year was planned by fifteen members and the counselor John Foster, at the home of Esther and Robert Brown. It was ready and presented for mimeographing at the 3-day camp. About 30 members and prospective members attended the week end camp at Corey Lake at which Branch county was host.

ty Co-ops and Farm Bureau sent 10 attend the 3-day camp.

drive which netted \$137 for the or-Over 27,000 lbs. of scrap iron, paper and rags were collected.

Plans were made at a recent meet ing to have a tent at the St. Joe County Fair furnished by the Junior One of the few Farm Bureau as a place for farm have never been found growing outvisitors to meet, talk and rest. A side of the human body is the bacter-committee was appointed to furnish tum of leprosy, and all attempts to the recreational part of the annual develop it in a wide variety of an-Junior-Senior County Farm Bureau imals have failed to give conclusive Picnic held Aug. 24 at Sand Lake.

# FARM BUREAU HELPS GET \$3.50 POTATO CEILING

August 21 the War Food Administration increased the price ceiling to Michigan farmers for early potatoes from \$2.60 to \$3.50 per cwt., for August, an increase of 90c. This was done in response to representations made by Farm Bureau Fruit Products Bay-Officers elected for the next Co. and Charles Figy, state commissioner of agriculture, August 2, regarding the short Michigan crop.

July 31 the WFA set eastern states annual summer camp at Waldenwoods. Farm Bureau Fruit Products Company called a meeting of early pro-Figy attended and led in negotiations Berrien County-350 members and with WFA thereafter. This was one guests of the Cass, Van Buren and of the first actions taken by WFA Berrien County J. F. B. enjoyed the under new legislation permitting the annual Tri-county Boat Trip sponsored adjustment of price ceilings to com-

As marketing agent for the Saginaw City of Grand Rapids, 150 members of Valley Potato Growers Ass'n, Farm met at Camp Warren, north Bureau Fruit Products' car-lot ship of Benton Harbor to participate in soft ments in late August brought the proball, swimming and a pot luck supper, ducers an additional \$300 or more per car. Potato price ceilings to Michigan elected to serve as district director farmers for September and succeeding months undoubtedly will be higher

## PROMOTES SHOW Central Berrien Community—Offiers elected for the coming year are: OF LABOR SAVERS

St. Joseph County Farm Bureau will offer prizes for the two simplest and most handy small labor savings Ass't Publicity, Elaine Dickey; Camp devices developed by farmers at the Chairman, Harold Steinke. An out. St. Joseph county fair on Farmers Day, September 22. All farmers have been invited to show large and small labor savings devices they have built The larger devices will be shown in a parade in front of the grandstand. Charles Beal of Three Rivers, G. W. Copenhafer of Mendon, and Walter A. Hall of Centerville are the Farm

Bureau committee in charge. The County Farm Bureau will have booth at the fair. Plat books and Farm Bureau membership signs will be given to members. The County Farm Bureau is working on the farm organization day program to be given before the grandstand from 10:30 a. m. until noon.

St. Joseph County Farm Bureau picnic will be at Sand Lake, Thursday, August 24 with a potlack picnic

### Contribute to Red Cross Clubmobile

Victor Community Farm Bureau of Clinton county has contributed \$2, and Pine River Community Group of Gra-St. Joseph County-St. Joseph Coun- Red Cross Clubmobile fund of the Astiot county has contributed \$10 to the sociated Women of the American Farm to the Leadership Camp at Walden- Bureau. The money has been added to woods near Hartland, Mich. Six mem- \$82.30 given by other Michigan combers attended the one week camp munity groups. The clubmobile given starting August 20 and four more will by the Associated Women is operating in Italy, serving soldiers behind the Hard working members of the St. lines with doughnuts, coffee, U. S. Joe J.F.B. recently completed a scrap newspapers and magazines, writing materials, movies, etc. Three Red Cross ganization. Each township had a girls are in charge. Michigan contri committee of juniors. The quota of butions for its upkeep should be made scrap was set at 250 lbs. per person. to Mrs. Ray Neikirk, director of Associated Women of the Farm Bureau, St. Louis R-1, Mich.

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Shiawassee Board Names Committees

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Ivan Kurrle and Frank Pasco of

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Each community group is represented to the resolutions committee: Alva baira R-1, Michigan.

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Baird, Durand, chairman; Charles Warren, Ovid; Cliff Hallock, Perry; Howard Tobey and Howard Conklin, Corunna; Harold Benson, Elsie; Harold Beemer, Henderson. A county meeting will be held in October. poard has appointed a committee to Resolutions adopted by community groups will be discussed and county resolutions will be sent to the State

A military tank uses more electric matters, these board members were lights for its size than any other war ramed to the school committee: Roy machine. An American M-4 medium Preston, Durand, chairman: Clyde Al- tank employs 27, or about the number en and Clarence Kirkman, Corunna; found in most homes.

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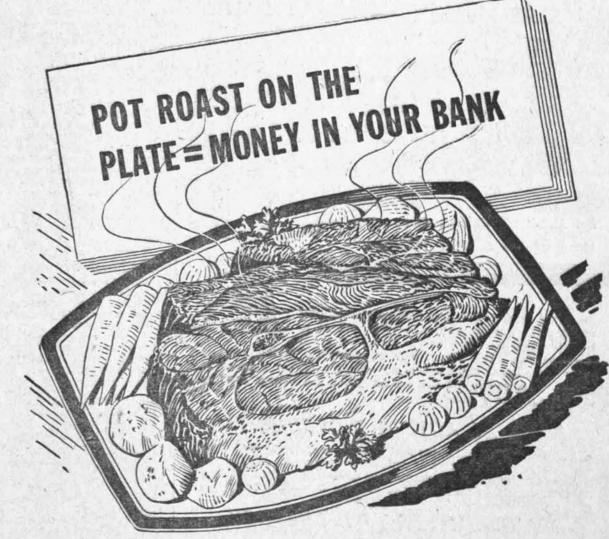
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# September is Organization Month

Background Material for Discussion in September by Our Community Farm Bureau Discussion Groups

> By EUGENE A. SMALTZ Membership Relations & Education

ROLL CALL QUESTION-Name one thing you believe we could do to improve our Community Farm Bureau meetings.

September is organization month for the Community Discussion Groups. Establishment of goals is most important in laying the foundation for a year's program. They represent the aim or objective of the group. Goals are the end which the program is designed to accomplish.

Organization of the Community Farm Bureau for another year should start by setting up definite goals, agreeing upon a wellbalanced program to attain these goals, and making plans for effectively carrying out this program.

The July and August meetings of the year just ended have provided a good background for sound program planning. A host of groups have made plans for a local program. These plans, as reported to the state office, cover those fields in which farmers are most interested. To obtain the latest, authoritative information on which to base their local program, farmers called in such informed persons as the county road commissioner, school commissioner, county agricultural agent, AAA chairman, etc. The most important source of information for deciding goals and planning a program that is going to be of major concern to the farmer is the farmer himself.

Program planning should be complete. The fields of economics, education, health, cultural foundation, morals, recreation, citizenship, and any others which affect the life of farmers in your community should be included in the program.

Farm people have a vital interest in all those matters mentioned above. As an example, then, of how we could meet our responsibilities with respect to them, let us consider the field of health.

Certainly, good health is everyone's desire. Yet a survey of most any community will show that not all our neighbors (and many times ourselves) have realized that goal. Few enjoy the best of health. Why not, then, some planning for better health in our community? The health situation can be analyzed locally. The fields of preventative and curative medicines and practices can be explored.

Members of the group decide the goal they want. Such steps as are necessary for reaching this goal are planned. Responsibility for carrying out the plan is fixed. Individual members understand their responsibilities, and we're ready to do our best to lick the health problems in our community.

Similar planning can be carried on for the other interest areas mentioned. Some call for action. Some for study. Some for educational program. Some will require the combined action of many groups and people. But the important thing is, we are doing something to make things better in our community.

Responsibility and authority for carrying out the program is that of the person or committee designated by the group. One point to remember is that everyone's responsibility becomes no one's responsibility. Consequently, very seldom is anything accomplished if responsibility is not definitely fixed on one person or committee. Frequent reports on the progress of the program should be made to the members. This will keep them informed, so that they may fully appreciate the program being carried out by the group.

Many worthwhile goals have been set by Community Farm Bureau groups, and the resulting programs that were developed have contributed much to the community. The personal growth of those who participated in the programs has been one of the important results.

Examples of local programs include the eradication of Bang's disease by compulsory testing, establishment of soil conservation districts, farm home beautification, improving road sides, building of road side parks, sponsorship of rural-urban meetings, patriotic observances, conducting bond sales and scrap drives, etc. Many of

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HOLDS 'EM ON!

these projects called for the united strength of many co-operating

It is truly a stimulating sight to view the special patriotic project which the Reeman Community Farm Bureau in Newaygo county carried out. On the morning of May 27, fifty-two farmer-members of the group raised the American Flag on poles at their farms in honor of the young men and women in the service of our country.

Those flags fly oday, an inspiring tribute to the boys who are fighting for those principles which the folks on those farms are making function. This flag raising (setting the poles and securing flags) was the 1944 project of this group. This same group raised \$278 last year for the War Fund Drive.

The Ingham County groups-16 of them-co-operated in carrying out the Red Cross drive last spring. They took a goal of \$10,000 on the basis of \$6,000 total contribution in 1943. Net result-a total contribution of \$16,000.

These, and the many other fine projects carried out during the past year set a fast pace for Community Farm Bureau groups in

program planning It is hoped that Community Farm Bureaus will not underestimate the effectiveness and possibilities of a local program.

Special emphasis will be placed during the coming year on four phases of Community Farm Bureau work that will be of value in more effectively carrying out local programs. These four services are: (1) Leadership training-for the chairman, secretary, discussion leader, recreation leader, publicity chairman, etc.; (2) Preparation of special resource materials and providing specialists-on current matters which people may wish to take action on locally; (3) Program planning-which will bring together local and statewide authorities on matters concerning farmers, to outline problems which exist in any or all interest areas, that farmers may intelligently work out solutions to their problems, and (4) Participation in intereconomic group meetings-which enables representative farmers. urban laborers, business men, and others to sit around the table and disuse their common problems. This develops an understanding of the other fellow's program, and a degree of tolerance for an opinion that may not agree with one's own.

Special services will be available to local groups through the experimental program in adult education being administered by the Michigan Department of Public Instruction, Public supported colleges and the University of Michigan are co-operating in making these services available. Group members and leaders should contact the Director of Community Farm Bureaus in his county or the County Board of Directors for further information.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

1. What can be done in this Community by this group to make for better health? Farm Income? Education? Citizenship? Youth? Cultural Foundation?

2. What is our responsibility in carrying out this program as individuals?

3. What resources do we have in our community to help in carrying out a program? Other organizations? Service Agencies? Interested people?

## 6,000 AT IONIA FARMERS' OUTING

About 6,000 filled the grandstand at Ionia Free Fair grounds August 19 for the annual farm organization program presented by the Farm Bureau and Grange in Ionia county. This year and last it was part of the 4-H rural areas registration is with the and FFA fair which has replaced the township clerk. Applicants for regis Free Fair for the duration.

Brandt, general manager of the co- the township or voting district at least operative Land O' Lakes creameries 20 days. War workers and other ciof Minnesota, for his vigorous cham- vilians who must be absent November pionship of free enterprise and his 7 may vote on absent voters ballots denunciation of government food sub- which are in the hands of township sidies for consumers.

to the usual high calibre of the programs. As usual, the calf scramble was a high spot. Annualy the fair provides 10 to 15 calves. About twice as many selected 4-H club boys paries a calf has it to feed for one year and to show and auction at the next the war's wonders. This year the champion steer nearly 1,000 lbs., brought 50c a pound rom a packer. Other steers sold well, too. So, after the boys return \$50 to the fair to keep the thing going, they have a good return for their work. Other events included a parade of live stock and floats, a fine program of music by the Grange. Jay Chamberlain of Ionia was awarded a State Farm Bureau prize for ranking third in the state in the number of new Farm Bureau members enrolled by an individual in the 1944 membership campaign. Most of the 700 families in the Ionia County Farm Bureau, members of the Grange, and guests enjoyed

### Odd Church Window

Probably the only church window in the world that shows a man smoking a cigar is that at Cransley, England, which contains a stained-glass portrait of Winston Churchill.

picnic dinner together before the pro-

A very good substitute for cork is being made from peanut shells, once mostly wasted.

### November 7 Election One of Most Important

should be given registration. Persons who will become 21 on or before November 7, and those who have moved into the community but are not regis-October 18, twenty days before the tration as voters must be residents Farmers applauded speaker John of the state at least 6 months and of clerks now The size of the crowd was tribute MICHIGAN STATE FARM BUREAU

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Board of Directors: C. J. Reid, President, C. L. Brody, Secretary.

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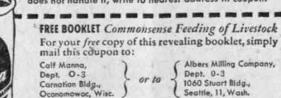
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A National agricultural magazine, a few weeks ago, asked one of its writers to prepare an article on the most valuable beef and dairy animals sold in 1943. The writer thought it would be interesting to know how such animals were fed, so he wrote each of the breeders. Upon receiving several dozen replies, he was amazed to discover that (while a great variety of feeds had been used), with only one exception, all of these animals got some Calf Manna. The great animal above is one of them.

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### Lets all KEEP BACKING THE ATTACK!

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MICH. STATE FARM BUREAU

# New Cleaner Saves

Owners of an estimated 35,000 milking machines and 50,000 cream separators are learning a new chore time ted in many Michigan counties by J. Jensen, dairy extension specialist at Michigan State College.

Cleaner utensils and longer life for he equipment are results claimed in he use of a wetting type of cleaning compound which is combined with a eutral softener.

In scores of demonstrations, Jensen as cleaned either milking machines Office Department. or cream separators in five minutes. Thirty pounds of the powder, sold in most dairy supply stores or by dairy processing plants, should last the average farmer a year, Jensen 1943.

claims. The cost would be about 20 cents a pound, or an annual cost about equal to that spent for washing powders usually used.

Equipment shines, since the new method removes the natural deposits of milk stone. On result of this is labor-saver that is being demonstra- fewer bacteria and better quality milk of milk stone. One result of this is agent is not alkaline, the equipment should last longer than when a strong washing powder is used, according to tests conducted by Jensen.

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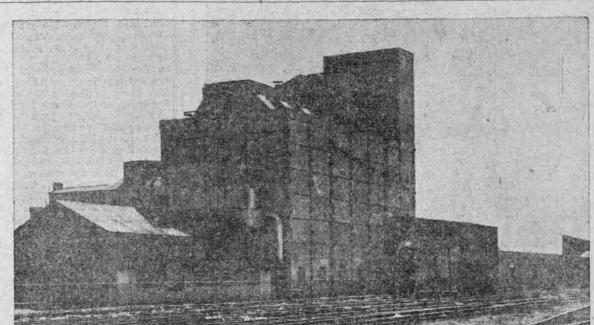
Better handling qualities.—Experience has proved that potatoes are more resistant to skin damage in handling, storing and shipping when the crop has been defoliated.

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