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## EDITORIAL

### How Would You Vote?

Great Britain's postwar program for aid from the United States, so far as it has been revealed, is causing increasing anxiety in Congress, according to Congressman William W. Blackney of Michigan.

How to meet the demands of the British without crippling American trade and further impoverishing the American people already shouldering a 275 billion dollar debt for the war, is the question before the house. Some of the principal items of the British program are:

1. A gift of 6 billion dollars by the United States to put the British on their feet financially and restore their foreign trade potential, incidentally in competition with the United States.

2. Loan of 1,000 liberty ships by the United States to the British to enable them to regain their ocean trade on profitable terms.

3. Repeal by the United States of the provision of American law requiring the export in American bottoms of American products purchased with the proceeds of American foreign loans.

4. Devaluation of world currencies, including the American dollar, in order to make the 6 billion dollar gift more palatable to the American people.

These are stupendous demands that the British are making of the United States, and while our country is naturally interested in the welfare of the world at large, it behooves us to devote considerable attention to our own country, the payment of our national debt, and the welfare of our people.

### Universal Military Training

What does the Farm Bureau think of the universal military training proposal now before Congress?

Undoubtedly, we shall get an answer next week at the annual meeting of the Michigan Farm Bureau. The American Farm Bureau went on record at its December, 1944, convention as being opposed to any type of compulsory military training for American youth in times of peace. The Michigan State Grange in convention at Bay City, October 25, voted against peace time conscription for military training.

It appears that Congress was surprised when President Truman reversed himself on peace time compulsory conscription and became an advocate for universal military training for all boys between 18 and 20 for one year. One Congressman said that the President endeavored to show that there would be no compulsion about it, but the question arises as to how millions of boys can be brought into military training for a year unless it is made compulsory.

In taking a stand against peace time compulsory training in December of 1944 the American Farm Bureau was looking ahead. It said that the system is foreign to the American way of life; its adoption may be a matter of far-reaching consequence. The relative merits and disadvantages of such procedure should be carefully studied and freely discussed. The American Farm Bureau said:

"We favor the continuation and expansion of the military training program as a part of our educational system; we aggressively oppose the national program of compulsory military training now being publicly advocated as leading inevitably into some form of militarism."

### Women Have First Annual Meeting

The Michigan Farm Bureau Women's Program got under way as a state organization last March. The first annual meet at Michigan State College, Wednesday, November 7, may bring 500 women together. The women's delegate system parallels that of the Michigan Farm Bureau,—one delegate for each 100 families in the County Farm Bureau. If the counties have full representation, 382 women will vote on the program to be developed.

The women have 39 county organizations,—since March!

We predict that the women are going to show us a superlative convention November 7. Many of them have had experience on Michigan Farm Bureau committees. Their convention will function with the aid of these committees: registration, hospitality, credentials, rules, resolutions, and nominating. Some of the committees are now at work. The women will hear Mrs. Raymond Sayre of Iowa, vice-president of the Associated Women of the American Farm Bureau. They will elect a state chairman who will become their representative on the Michigan Farm Bureau board of directors. The women have a one day meeting, opening at 9:30 a. m. at Fairchild theatre, luncheon together at noon, and closing about 4:00 o'clock.

### Consumer Subsidies On Way Out

Effective November 1 the government cancelled the consumer food subsidy on peanut butter and upon dairy butter. The retail price of these commodities stood to rise six cents a pound. Other consumer food subsidies are to be removed later.

We can't see that the food subsidies did any lasting good at any time. They didn't save anything, for they merely transferred the cost of the subsidy to an account to be retired later by taxation, and with interest. They were given to hold the line against wage increases. Organized labor accepted the subsidies and asked for more together with wage increases. Now they are being taken off at a time when consumers as a whole have less of take home wages than they had while war industries were booming. It will be interesting to note the reaction to the new retail prices by organized groups among consumers. What do you suppose they may suggest, or demand?

### Farm Price Battle In The Making

The nation's parity price formula for agricultural products is apparently headed for another battle. The American Farm Economic Association recently awarded three top prizes in a \$12,500 contest for the best solution to post war farm price policies to economists who urged abandonment of the parity system. In its place, they proposed a program of prices by which the farmer would be told in advance what price to expect for his products. If prices fall below these levels, farmers will be compensated with government subsidies.

The prize winning economists are travelling with powerful company. No less than Secretary of State James Byrnes and Secretary of the Treasury Fred M. Vinson. Mr. Byrnes was director for war mobilization and reconversion. He was succeeded in that post by Mr. Vinson. While occupying that office both of them recommended that after the war farm prices be permitted to seek their lowest levels. They said the farmer should be assured parity income through a system of subsidies.

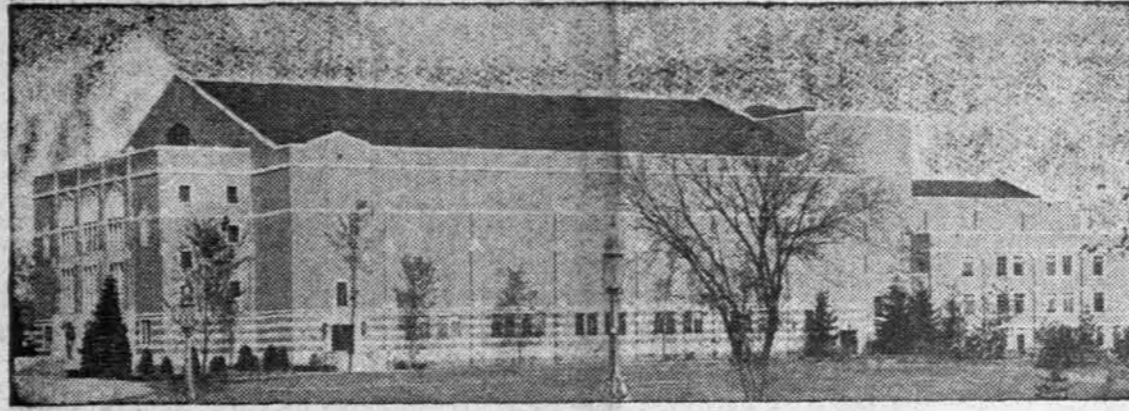
Their suggestions were given another airing in September by government agencies at Washington. The American Farm Economic Association awarded its prizes in early October. In our October edition we said that the Farm Bureau would oppose subsidies. We shall insist upon payment of parity prices IN THE MARKET PLACE. The Steagall amendment providing for postwar support of farm prices at 90% of parity for two years after the end of the war intends that such prices shall be those arrived at in the market place.

The argument for the subsidy idea is that our surpluses could be sold abroad at world price levels. The use of subsidies would give the farmer 90% of parity for two years after the war as per the promise in the Steagall amendment.

The argument against the subsidy plan has numerous points. Among them (1) The farmer would be holding the bag at all times (2) Public reaction to low level farm prices would be good, but could be expected to be very bad as far as subsidies to farmers are concerned (3) Farmers would have to defend an unwanted system of subsidies (4) The public could be expected to move for the repeal of the subsidies at any time (5) It is proposed to treat no other economic group to prompt postwar deflation; on the contrary, President Truman has suggested 40 hours work for 48 hours pay; business and industry are going to get some price increases.

# Farm Bureau's 26th Annual Meeting

Place of Farm Bureau Annual Meeting, Nov. 8 and 9



MICHIGAN STATE COLLEGE AUDITORIUM and FAIRCHILD THEATRE

## At State College November 8 and 9

More than 38,000 members of the Michigan Farm Bureau in 51 counties will send some 380 voting delegates to the 26th annual meeting of the organization at Michigan State College, Thursday and Friday, November 8 and 9.

The resolutions committee will convene Tuesday, Nov. 6, at Lansing to draft a set of Michigan Farm Bureau resolutions. They will have those presented by Community and County Farm Bureaus, co-operatives, the pre-convention conferences of the co-operative commodity groups, and the Women of the Farm Bureau.

A Membership Conference of County Farm Bureau people interested in building membership heads the pre-convention sessions scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 7. Final over-all plans will be laid for 50 County Farm Bureaus for Roll Calls for membership. The campaigns start in the northern counties in December and continue through January and February in lower Michigan. Each county will put on its membership campaign in a one week period.

Six Co-operative Commodity Conferences will be held Wednesday for the dairy, farm crops, fruit and vegetable and potato, livestock and wool, muck and truck crops, poultry and eggs groups. They will discuss matters of interest in the production and marketing of those commodities. They will ask the Farm Bureau convention to support resolutions adopted for the advancement of these commodity interests. See page 2 for location of Pre-Convention meetings.

Women of the Farm Bureau will hold their first annual convention under their new type of organization at Fairchild Theatre, Wednesday from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. with luncheon together at noon.

Hon. Fred L. Crawford of Saginaw, member of Congress from the 8th district of Michigan, will speak to the Farm Bureau convention Thursday evening. Mr. Crawford has had a lifetime interest in agriculture. Born in Texas, he worked on ranches as a youth. Eventually he became a certified public accountant. After experience in the fields of insurance, the petroleum industry, and the automotive industry, he entered the beet sugar business. He acquired a broad experience in assisting with the financing, construction and operation of plants Michigan, Ohio and 7 states in the west. He became interested in the farm production and marketing tasks associated with the crop. In Congress he has stood out as an authority on agricultural matters. Mr. Crawford sees eye to eye with the Farm Bureau and farm co-operatives on many matters. He backs up his views with action on the floor of the House. He considers the future of agriculture bound up with the kind of world relationships we are making.

Matters to Come Before the 26th Annual Convention

1. Directors. An entire board of directors will be elected in accordance with action taken by the 1944 annual convention when it adopted a new system for electing state directors. Ten directors will be chosen by districts. County Farm Bureau delegates belonging to those districts will caucus at the convention Thursday afternoon to name district nominees. They will be elected by the convention. County Farm Bureaus will nominate and the delegates will elect three delegates at large. The by-laws provide that the president of the Junior Farm Bureau for 1946 and the chairman of the Associated Women for 1946 are automatically nominated as directors of the Michigan Farm Bureau.

2. Resolutions. The resolutions adopted will set the pattern of Farm Bureau work for 1946. Postwar farm prices, universal military training and taxes are a sample of what the delegates will consider for the first year to follow World War II.

### The Record for 1945

Prominent in the work done by the Farm Bureau during the past year were these accomplishments:

Membership—Increased from 29,029 to 38,081. Goal for 1946 set at 46,500. New County Farm Bureaus were organized in Osceola and Wexford to bring the total to 51. Community Farm Bureaus meeting monthly total some 500. Junior Farm Bureau has grown to 102 groups and 2,610 members. The number of families subscribing to the Michigan Hospital Service has continued to grow. The Associated Women of the Farm Bureau, with the aid of a full time director, have developed organizations and programs in 39 counties.

Legislation—The Farm Bureau interpreted the members' interests in connection with 69 bills before the 1945 session of the legislature. We assisted in changing the government of the state department of agriculture to a bi-partisan state commission. We helped protect the 15 mill amendment, retain the sales tax exemption for farm production supplies, we supported the distribution of \$56,800,000 of state aid to local schools on substantially the old formula, which was regarded as desirable from the rural point of view. Opposition was registered successfully to bills designed to make life a little more expensive and less convenient for farm people by providing fees for them to pay and special places to go for certain services and products.

Insurance—The Farm Bureau Insurance Dept., as state agent for the State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Agency of Bloomington, Ill., reported 95,326 cars and trucks insured as of Aug. 31. This is an increase of 4,656 for the year. As state agent for the State Farm Life Company of Bloomington, it reported \$15,614,000 of life insurance in force, most of it on Michigan farm families.

Farm Bureau Service, Inc.—The past year was the largest in the history of Farm Bureau Services, with the total of patron's purchases amounting to \$6,863,156.33, an increase over last year of \$654,445.35, or 10 1/2%. The greater part of this increase was due to greater tonnage and more units handled. With war time conditions prevailing throughout the year, most of the problems lay in procurement and service. An increase in service opportunities is anticipated for 1946.

Farm Bureau Fruit Products Co.—The 1944 pack, which ended officially April 30, 1945, was all that was predicted in the 1944 Farm Bureau annual report. Patronage savings to the growers' co-operative with the Coloma Co-op Canning Co., the Oceana Fruit Growers Association, and the Bay Co-operative Canneries totalled \$100,049. The current year has been one of those that comes every so often in the hazardous business of processing and marketing fruits and vegetables,—early warm weather and late frosts, then too much rain combined to produce one of the shortest cherry crops in years. Apple, pear, tomato, grape and berry crops were short. The largest and most successful crop was peaches which were packed at all three plants. We are looking forward to a more normal volume in 1946 which will enable us to again progress at a swifter and more satisfactory pace.

## ARMY-NAVY PLAN FOR U.S. YOUTH

In his weekly news letter, Congressman William W. Blackney of Michigan makes these comments on the proposal for military training for all youths beginning at the age of 18: "October 29, I called your attention to the fact that President Truman favored peace-time compulsory conscription which he called universal training. In following out the President's suggestions, Army and Navy planners expect to train a net total of about 975,000 reserves annually; of that number the Army would obtain about 700,000 and the Navy 275,000. It is estimated that the total number of 18 year olds and high school gradu-

ates would aggregate 1,200,000 annually, so, after deducting therefrom 975,000 reserves to be used annually, the balance would include the physically, mentally and morally unfit. "The War Department is desirous of using its larger war-time installations for training. These installations, capable of housing 20,000 to 40,000 trainees, are preferred because it is desired to get unit training in numbers up to a division. "Of course it is well to remember that the Committee which will conduct hearings on the Universal Training Bill has not as yet prepared a proper bill. The universal training proposition is highly controversial and Congress will want to know before they vote for such a bill that it is fair, equitable, and beneficial, not only to the boys themselves, but to the country at large.

## PROGRAM

### 26th Annual Meeting

## Michigan Farm Bureau

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8

9:00 a. m. Farm Bureau business meeting convenes at Fairchild theatre, New Auditorium. Ample parking facilities nearby.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.....CLARENCE J. REID

REPORT OF SEC'Y-TREAS.....CLARK L. BRODY

12:30 p. m. Adjourn for lunch

2:00 p. m. Business session

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Nomination of directors

### THURSDAY EVENING

8:00 p. m. Program at Fairchild Theatre

MUSIC.....MISS HARRIETT GRAHAM

Member of Detroit Civic Opera Company

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS for Membership Work

ADDRESS.....HON. FRED L. CRAWFORD

Member of Congress from 8th Michigan District

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9

9:00 a. m. Farm Bureau business meeting at Fairchild theatre

Consideration of Resolutions

Election of directors

New business

Adjournment

PRE-CONVENTION MEETINGS, Wednesday, November 7—See complete information published on page 2.

ROOMS—See room clerks at convention. Also information on page 4.

### On the Program



FRED L. CRAWFORD  
Member of Congress from the 8th District of Michigan  
Thursday Evening



CLARENCE J. REID  
President, Michigan Farm Bureau  
Thursday Morning



CLARK L. BRODY  
Secretary, Michigan Farm Bureau  
Thursday Morning

## COUNTY FARM BUREAUS DID THESE THINGS

Branch County—At a recent meeting of the Roll Call committee, the objective of contacting every farmer in the county was agreed upon. The Roll Call is set for the first week in January, 1946.

Lenawee—Farm Bureau is promoting a soil conservation district to include the entire county. The committee recently visited the Livingston County Soil Conservation District and came back much impressed.

Northwest Michigan — The annual meeting was held October 24, with several hundred members in attendance. The program included the usual order of business, election of delegates to the State Convention, and election of directors. Most of the evening was taken up with the discussion of resolutions and instructions of delegates. There were no speakers.

Barry—The annual meeting was held at the Hastings high school October 25, with several hundred in attendance. George Schultz, district representative of the Michigan Farm Bureau in southwestern Michigan, gave the address.

St. Joseph — The annual meeting was held October 24 in the Centerville auditorium. A potluck supper, musical program, election of directors and delegates to the state convention, a report of the officers and consideration of their resolutions occupied the evening.

Hillsdale—The annual meeting was held October 25, at the Hillsdale high school. Bill Otto of the Lansing Chamber of Commerce was the speaker. The usual business was transacted.

Barry—The October 29th issue of the "Barry County Farm Bureau Friend" contained a complete calendar of Farm Bureau events for 1946 and a financial statement for the year ending September 30, 1945. The statement showed a gross income of \$8,000,

## GOV. KELLY TO ADDRESS JUNIOR ANNUAL

Governor Kelly has accepted an invitation to address the 10th annual dinner of the Michigan Junior Farm Bureau at Michigan State College, Saturday evening, Nov. 3.

About 1,200 Juniors and guests will attend the dinner, which will be served in the college auditorium. The evening program includes a 45 minute pageant presenting development of the Junior Farm Bureau. Special scenery, stage lighting, music and group dances feature the pageant. The evening program closes with a dancing party.

In the neighborhood of 500 Juniors, representing 102 local chapters, will conduct their annual business meeting during the day in Fairchild theatre. Officers and directors will be elected. A program will be agreed upon for 1946.

## Livingston Women Call Meeting Nov. 14

Associated Women of the Farm Bureau in Livingston county have called a meeting for all members at the court house at Howell, Wednesday, Nov. 14 at 2:30 p. m. A representative of the state board of health will present the county health unit.

with expenditures of \$7,455. Included in the income was the State Farm Bureau's share of the membership dues. This was charged as an expense later on. The paper goes to every Farm Bureau member in the county.

St. Joseph—Farm Bureau is investigating the possibility of marketing eggs co-operatively. A committee has been appointed to meet with the Constantine Co-operative Creamery to discuss the matter. Members of the committee are Messrs. Copenhafer, Watkins, and Krul.

## No More Hotel Rooms For Annual Meeting

The Olds, Roosevelt and Porter hotels of Lansing notified the Michigan Farm Bureau Friday, November 2, that they had accepted all the reservations they could accept for the Michigan Farm Bureau annual meeting, November 8-9. The Farm Bureau membership relations dept. has a small remaining list of rooms in private homes in East Lansing and Lansing and is trying to get more. At this time most of the delegates have made their room reservations. Try to have a room before you arrive. If not, see Farm Bureau room service immediately on arrival in Lansing and early in the day. For further information, see Room Rate Schedule on page 4.

## Live Stock Exchange Reports Over WJIM

Central Michigan livestock producers are advised that WJIM at Lansing has joined other stations of the Michigan radio network in carrying the markets report of the Michigan Live Stock Exchange at 12:15 noon, daily, Monday through Friday.

There is no better ballast for keeping the mind steady on its keel, and saving it from all risk of crankiness, than business.—Lowell.



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**HIRAM and MARTHA**  
 BY R. S. CLARK

**Return**

Back, at last, from the Wars they come;  
 Back to the farms they have defended;  
 Glad to resume the joys of home  
 Glad, just glad that the war is ended.

Greeting the horses in their stalls;  
 Greeting the cows in the stanchion row;  
 Greeting the dawn in overalls;  
 Thanking God, who has made it so.

They want to get out and mingle now  
 With friends and neighbors and former pals;  
 They want to recapture the thrills, somehow,  
 Of the old-time bunch of guys and gals.

They want to polish that little old car  
 And call for their Date as they used to do  
 And drive like mad as fast and far  
 As long and long they have hankered to.

They want to park along lonely drives  
 And cuddle their sweetheart long and tight;  
 They want to get married and live their lives  
 And not have to camp in the cold all night.

They want to be citizens on their own  
 (As Heaven knows they have right to be)  
 They want to go on like men full grown  
 Here in the land of the brave and free.

They want to make good in their own sweet way,  
 For they have been trained to do or die,  
 And curs'd be he who would say them nay  
 Their ears are deaf and their heads are high.

Back to the Hicks Street farms they come;  
 Back to be wed and work their will;  
 Back to establish each his home—  
 Thanks be to God, who has spared them still.

R. S. Clark  
 315 North Grinnell St.  
 Jackson, Michigan

**Community Farm Bureau Activities**

**By MRS. MARJORIE KARKER**  
 Membership Relations and Education

**Morse Lake, Kent—14.** In answering the roll call question of how the County Farm Bureau could be improved, this group thought that Community groups within one or two townships should meet together occasionally for a dinner and some kind of a program.

**South Delhi, Ingham—17.** This group decided in their discussion that the Community Farm Bureau program is the most important part of the Farm Bureau.

**Mendon, St. Joseph—10.** Group resolved that the Constituents Creamery make a thorough investigation regarding the co-operative handling of eggs and poultry and present a report of their investigation to their patrons as soon as completed.

**Dowagiac, Cass—10.** The women presented the resolution for the consideration of the group that the highway commission clear all road corners of trees and weeds to stop hazardous traffic accidents.

**Bell Oak, Ingham.** Group has decided to hold some day time meetings during the winter months.

**Riverside, Missaukee—15.** Group unanimously opposed to peace-time military training. Report of our opinion sent Representative Engle.

**Swan Creek and James, Saginaw—22.** A committee of six men was appointed from group to hold a meeting with six men from the CIO to discuss our mutual problems.

**West Jefferson, Hillsdale—17.** A study of the strikes in Detroit thoroughly convinced the group that labor unions stand very closely together and that farmers can gain their goals only through working together.

**N. W. Oakland, Oakland—10.** Group decided that local meetings of Farm Bureau groups should be given wider publicity so that the general public would have a more comprehensive understanding of farmers' problems.

**Burlington, Leelanau—15.** Group approved plan of County Farm Bureau to give \$50 scholarships to short course at Michigan State College to an outstanding 4-H boy and girl, one to an FFA boy and one to a Home Economics girl.

**West Augusta, Washtenaw—19.** Group decided the aims of the Community Farm Bureau should be: 1. Give families in the community better acquainted with the Farm Bureau and its services. 2. To submit resolutions to the county committee that will enable farm families to express their opinions on community welfare. 3. To encourage constructive thinking on the part of individuals. 4. To educate the city people with the problems of the farmer.

**Snow, Kent—22.** Group voted to attend the annual meeting of County Farm Bureau in a body rather than holding their regular meeting.

**Tri-Township, Kalamazoo—24.** Although members of this group do not live in isolated areas they are unable to get telephones, electricity and rural surfacings. They feel that by working together in groups that these advantages could be easier to get. They are also interested in seeing that the Farmers' Market in Kalamazoo is made more desirable and that better inspection service be had.

**Sharon, Washtenaw—28.** Group favors compulsory immunization of all children.

**Albion No. 1, Calhoun—22.** Group feels that the 15 mill tax limitation should be on the assessed value rather than the equalized value and that this will be brought to the attention of the County Farm Bureau resolution committee.

**Grant Center, Mecosta—9.** Resolution sent to County Farm Bureau by group stating that a differential be set between members and non-member in the cost of farm supplies when purchased from the Farm Bureau.

**Grass Lake, Jackson—15.** Group will have an auction at their next meeting for entertainment and also to raise money to pay expenses of the perso they sent to Junior Farm Bureau camp this year.

**Arcadia, Manistee—22.** Bangs disease control was discussed. Group found they were not well informed on laws covering control of Bangs and Mr. Finch was asked to look up on the law and report at the next meeting.

**Lyndon, Washtenaw—20.** Secretary of group was instructed to contact the local telephone company to get information on the extension of telephone lines to this part of the county.

**Reeman, Newaygo—35.** Discussion took place on the co-operative buying of farm supplies. The group decided

to buy fertilizer in this way next spring.

**Beulah, Benzie—10.** Group passed a resolution to be sent to County Farm Bureau which would require organized labor to incorporate.

**South Leroy, Calhoun—24.** In discussing the problem of making the Community Farm Bureau more effective, the group decided they could develop more local interest by making their meetings more interesting and by inviting new members into the group.

**Alganssee, Branch—33.** Voted to give \$5 each to the Brick Sunday School and the Fisher Church.

**Noble, Branch—20.** Group decided it was very important for individual voters to know of the ability and qualifications of people running for public office. In accordance with this thought they passed a resolution asking that the County Farm Bureau hold a clinic before public elections so that office seekers would have an opportunity to state their qualifications for such and to answer questions.

**Volinia, Cass—41.** Group voted to spend ten minutes of each meeting in the study of parliamentary law. This group also carries on the drawing of a door prize at 8:00 o'clock the night of their meeting to encourage folks to be on time.

**Shafter, Kalamazoo—22.** In discussing attendance at Community Farm Bureau it was decided that each member be personally responsible for contacting families they knew personally and asking them to come to meetings.

**Bingham, Huron—12.** Discussion plus action is stated as an aim of this group.

**Holton, Muskegon—11.** Group voted to go on record as opposing the law which went into effect September 6th changing the qualifications of voters at school elections, saying it was unfair and unjust to the taxpayer and permanent resident.

**Walton-Whiteville, Isabella—25.** Group voted to write letter to supervisors urging that money be appropriated for a veterans counselling service in Isabella county.

**Kearney, Antrim—9.** Group decided that they would like to have the County Farm Bureau Board of directors publish notices of their monthly meetings.

**Cat Creek, Osceola—19.** Resolution passed by group that factory workers be permitted to work on farms during the time they are drawing unemployment benefits.

**Ingersoll, Midland—20.** Recommendation made by the group that the County Farm Bureau Board of directors purchase a movie projector to be used by the various Community Farm Bureaus in the county.

**Bell, Barry—9.** Resolution passed by group asking that more free immunization service for communicable diseases in children be made possible.

**Clinton, New group organized during October.**

**Elmer, Sanilac—30.** Group are presenting a resolution at the State Farm Bureau meeting requesting the proper authorities to see that noxious weeds are cut along the highways.

**Marengo, Calhoun—14.** Group thinks that a well-run county Farm Bureau publication would be of great help to Community Farm Bureaus within the county.

**Reading, Southwest, Hillsdale.** We met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Spron, October 22 for a Halloween party. All dressed in costume. Prizes were won by Leon Kulow, Mrs. Luella Kinney, Henry Bronse, Mrs. Duryea, our new chairman, presided at the business meeting. The next meeting will be at the home of Leon Kulow.

**Juice Has The Vitamins**

Use the juice out of the can. That's the sure way for the family to absorb a lot of vitamins when using canned fruits or vegetables, says Miss Pauline C. Paul, of the foods and nutrition department of Michigan State college. Most persons do eat the juices of canned fruits along with the solids. The liquid portion of the contents of a can contains 32 to 64 per cent of the vitamin C, 28 to 38 per cent of the vitamin B1, and 20 to 30 per cent of the riboflavin.

Fair are the fields of Kalamazoo county Acres of ripening golden grain Rich in color and vegetation Marking progress and fame. Building farm opinion Understanding its purposes and aims Respecting the rights of others Endeavoring to share equally in its gains Accepting all helpful suggestions Until united we stand.

Ann treat Shafter Farm Bureau Group

Growing sumac in the United States, to produce tannin needed to tan hides to obtain good leather, may greatly increase with mechanical harvesting, drying and baling processes recently perfected.

**Classified Ads**

Classified advertisements are cash with order at the following rates:  
 4 cents per word for one edition. Ads to appear in two or more editions take the rate of 3 cents per word per edition.

**ELECTRIC MOTORS**  
 NEW ELECTRIC MOTORS FOR Farmers, 1/20th H. P. to 7 1/2 H. P. Mail orders to Gulf Service Station, Lawrence, Mich. (4-121-17P)

**POULTRY SUPPLIES**  
 POULTRY MEDICATION AT PRICES farmers can afford. The modern, scientific new in poultry preparations. Dosage one ounce per day for 100 chickens or turkeys. Produces 10% better growth in broilers or turkeys. Helps hens through the moult. Increases egg production. Aids in prevention of scoldosis and black head. Used in drinking water or wet mash. No danger of an overdose, is not harmful in any way. Quarts \$1.25. Gallon \$3.50. Available at Farm Bureau Services Co-ops and stores, at hatcheries and feed stores. Mail orders to Central Laboratories, 10000 Rogers Road, Holland, Mich. (10-21-91b)

**FARMS WANTED**  
 WANTED—TO HEAR FROM OWNER of farm or unimproved land for sale. Mrs. Holly, Baldwin, Wis. (11-11-10P)

**HOME FOR SALE**  
 FOR SALE — TO BUSINESS MAN wishing to educate his family, a colonial home between Western Michigan college and Kalamazoo business district. Large yard, trees, shrubbery, six rooms for owner plus five separate apartments averaging for five years built \$2,200 income; mahogany and modern furniture, six baths, six General Electric stoves and six refrigerators; heavily insulated roof, walls, floors (golden oak); oil heat-thermostat chronotherm controls, humidifiers, Clarage fan, permanent air filters; year round tenants, professional people. \$8,000 cash, balance liberal terms. Shown by appointment. Private parties only. Write owner, P. O. Box 625, Kalamazoo, Mich. (11-21-91P)

**WOOL GROWERS**  
 ATTENTION—WOOL GROWERS, WE handle wool for the C.C.C. and offer you other marketing services. All wool graded at our warehouse, 506 N. Mechanic St., Jackson, Michigan. Ceiling prices guaranteed. Michigan Co-operative Wool Marketing Association. (1-15-50)

**MODERN WATER SOFTENER NOW AVAILABLE**

Until you've enjoyed really clean, soft water, you can't know what you are missing.

The good looking unit here is the famous Do-All Valv-O-Matic softener. It will deliver near zero softness water for many years, as well as removing objectionable quantities of iron from water at the same time.

Requires only regular salt regeneration. No special handling or chemicals. The exclusive "candy ball" inserted in the Valv-O-Matic time saver valve takes the work and guess out of regenerating. Pour in salt charge, replace lid, set valve, and softener returns itself to service moment regeneration is complete.

For information on hardness of your water supply, send pint sample in clean, sealed container, labeled with your name, address to Farm Bureau Services Machinery Dept., 728 East Shilwaukee, Lansing 4, Mich. Write and attach letter telling how many in family and whether you wish to soften hot and cold water, or hot only.

BUY THIS SOFTENER AT FARM BUREAU STORES & CO-OPS

**MICHIGAN FARM BUREAU ANNUAL MEETING**

**Pre-Convention Meetings**  
 At Michigan State College, Wednesday, November 7

These meetings from 10:00 a. m. to 4:00 p. m.

Membership Relations Group.....Union Bldg., Spartan Room, 4th floor

**COMMODITY CONFERENCES**

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 Farm Crops.....Peoples Church, Room 302  
 Fruit, Vegetables, Potatoes.....Peoples Church, 2nd floor  
 Livestock and Wool.....Union Bldg., Organization Room 2, 3rd floor  
 Muck and Truck Crops.....Peoples Church, Basement  
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**JUNIOR FARM BUREAU ACTIVITIES**  
 By MISS GLENNA LOOMAN  
 State Publicity Chairman, Juniors,  
 Holland R-2, Michigan

Livingston, Southwest—September 27, the Junior Farm Bureau saw the picture "No Hit" Lydia Bowers entertained the group after the show. Bob and Frank Rutmans were hosts for the October 11 meeting. Mr. Bowditch and his assistant, Mr. Wiserman showed movies to the group on "Wild Life" and Commercial Fishing".

Washtenaw—The Junior Farm Bureau held its installation of officers, September 25. Ben Hennik was in charge of a very impressive candle-light service. The officers for the new year are: President, Victor Haussler; vice-president, Emerso Haussler; secretary, Arlene Feldkamp; corresponding secretary, Wilma Stenke; treasurer, Marian Feldkamp; publicity chairman, Sylvia Feldkamp; camp chairman, Mary Leser; counselor, Bob Gilbert. The group looks forward to the new year with new hopes and big plans.

North Berrien—"Why You Are 'What You Are'" was the theme for a discussion led by G. L. Durlinger from the Berrien county detention home. He spoke on the causes of juvenile delinquency. Committee in charge for this meeting were: Richard Zuhl, Frank Stanton and Allen Schultz. A group Halloween party was planned. Joe Galpa is chairman.

Ann Arbor, Washtenaw—Many young people were present to enjoy the entertainment and business meeting, September 11. The membership drive contest was discussed. As money making project, we had a box social and dance September 19 as a money making project.

Berrien—The tri-county week end camp was held October 19-21 at Camp Warren north of Benton Harbor. Members were in attendance from Buren Cass and VanBuren counties. Don Dolan, a member of the Adult Education Department of Western Michigan College spoke Friday evening on the topic, "What Are Our Problems as Rural Young People?" Mrs. Kerri Washburn of Paw Paw led recreation.

West Berrien—Future plans hold the spotlight in this month's news. October 29, the group will enjoy a Halloween party with Dorothy and Violet Hosnedl and Doris Gench in charge. November 9, the Bureau is sponsoring a combination box social and square dance to be held in the Stevensville hall. Lee Lausman as the "Merry Makers" will furnish the music. The public is invited. A auction sale will take place on December 8, beginning at 10 a. m. Eddie Gasts' new cement building in Baroda. Anything from household articles to farm machinery and livestock will be sold. Anyone with a saleable article should contact Junior Farm Bureau member. On October 25 and 27 the scrap pick-ups will be made in Royalton, Lake Oranoko, Lincoln Baroda, and St. Joseph townships.

North Ottawa—The group had a novel change in refreshments at the last meeting. The boys served a pan cake supper. Approximately 20 members attended the demonstration night at the Y. M. C. A. in Grand Rapids. North Ottawa was chosen to compete with other counties at the convention in discussion on the "Explanation of Junior Farm Bureau".

West Huron—Members enjoyed a pheasant hunt and supper on October 17. Ann Bradley, assistant to Beth Cummings of the "Farm Journal" was guest. The supper was held in the Hayes church in Pigeon. Photographer Elmer Plimco of the "Bay City Times" was present to take pictures.

Cass—October 2, twenty members braved the cold weather for a hay ride at Stan Rice's. The Cassopolis group were invited to share the "ups and downs" of the Dowagiac group at the roller rink on October 18. A special business meeting will be held October 30 to make final arrangements for attending the convention, November 3. At the same time a report will be made regarding the tri-county Sadie Hawkins' Day Dance to take place, November 9 at Rokagoga town hall.

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Sept. 5 at the Exchange annual meeting nine managers were honored for 25 or more years of service. They are:

30 years—Bard Pomeroy, Middleton Farmers Elevator.  
 27—Milt Burkholder, Mariette Farmers Co-op Elevator.  
 26—Howell Sandford, Battle Creek Farm Bureau Ass'n.  
 26—Joe Glazier, Producers Elevator, Williamston.  
 25 1/2—John Rinke, Warren Co-operative Co.  
 25—Lou Kaechele, Caledonia Farmers Elevator.  
 25—Roy Doty, Grand Ledge Produce Co.  
 25—George Brooks, St. Johns Co-operative Co.  
 25—Waldo E. Phillips of Decatur shared honors with this group for 25 years service as a director of the Exchange.

**Mason Considers Fire Protection**

Mason County Farm Bureau, with a membership of 875 families, is studying ways and means for fire protection for the rural areas.

The County Farm Bureau includes 9 Community Farm Bureaus. Some 400 persons in the Farm Bureau have become members of the Michigan Hospital Service and are entitled to hospital care when needed, in accordance with the terms of the contract. There are two junior Farm Bureau groups. Three co-operatives provide the members with Farm Bureau supplies: Ludington Fruit Exchange, and the Mason County Co-operative Ass'n, and the Mason County Farm Bureau Oil Company at Scottville.

**First Game Law In Michigan**

Michigan's first game protection law, enacted in 1940, prohibited the killing of woodcock, grouse, and quail during certain seasons in Wayne county, and assessed fines for the illegal killing or possession of such game.

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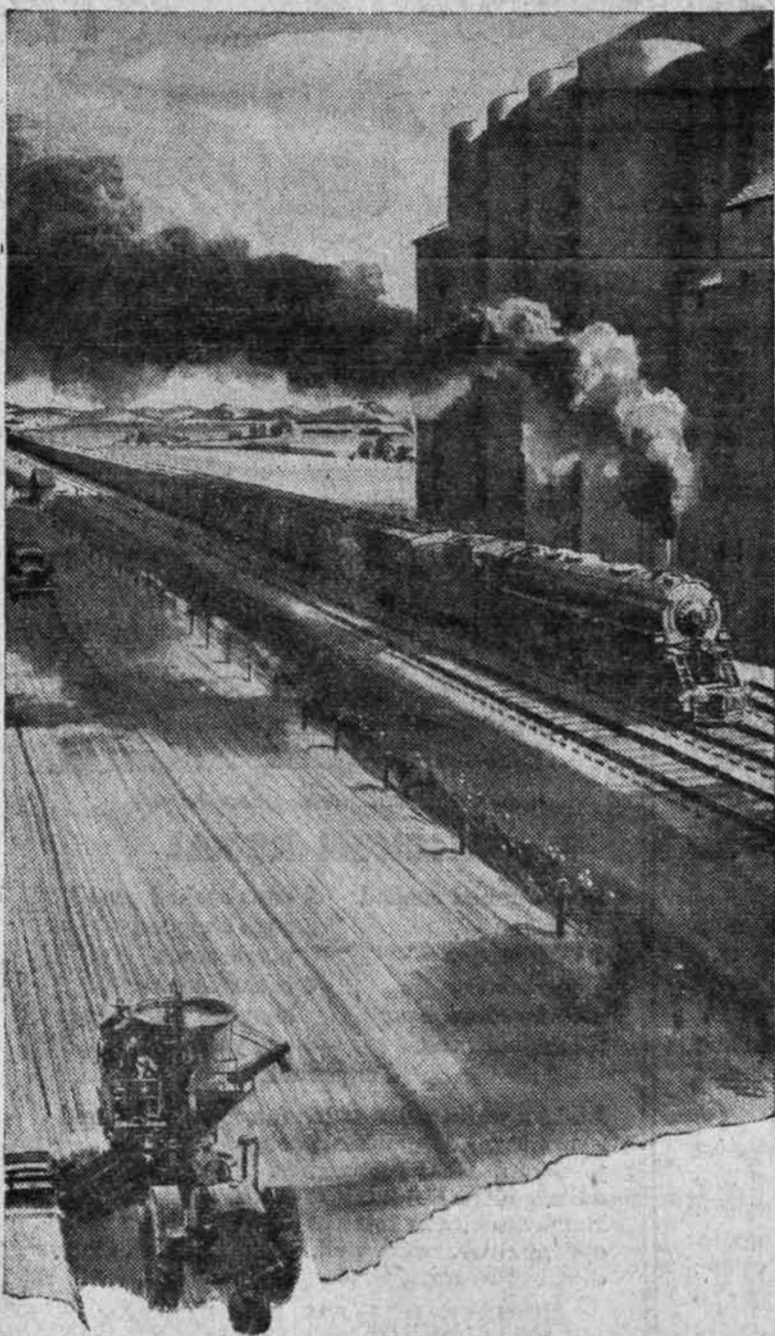
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It was done under the handicaps and restrictions of war. It was done while unprecedented numbers of troops and quantities of war freight were being handled.

Now with peace and the chance to get long-denied material for building new locomotives and new freight cars to replace equipment worn by war service, railroads look forward to the time when they can serve you better than ever before - but with the same responsibility and faithfulness upon which America has learned, both in war and in peace, that it can rely

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## NICE HAVING A COP AROUND....!



## There Is a Challenge In the Times

By MRS. EDITH M. WAGAR  
Briar Hill Farm, Carleton, Monroe Co.

I wonder if everyone has the feeling of groping that I seem to be experiencing these days. There appears to be so much confusion in our every day life. No one is satisfied.

We've just ended a war such as has never been so far flung, so devastating, so cruel in all history. There was no part of the world but what was touched in some way. Many of our boys are now coming back to take up life again in their own way. They are coming from countries where people were undernourished, unclothed, without homes and underpaid for what they do, but what do they find here? People who grumble because they are asked to buy bonds, people who strike for more money, people living on unemployment compensation while jobs go unfilled, people who resent rationing of any sort even if it keeps the less fortunate from actual starvation.

Here we are the richest nation in the world having the highest standard of living anywhere. We enjoy as every day necessities what others deem out-right luxuries. We have a job for everyone who wants to work. We are untouched by enemy invasion, fortified by vast surpluses of commodities of various kinds, with universal opportunities for culture and education. We are a country that's prosperous, indulgent and lenient yet with the most dissatisfied people of the world.

Why is it? Have we had too much that now nothing seems enough? Are we the spoiled children of an over-indulgent parental government? Has our escape of degradation and privations that's been inflicted upon all other countries been detrimental to us?

How long will this continue? Will we ever again settle down to be a peace loving, law abiding, energetic, self-supporting, self-respecting and appreciative people of a wonderful country?

All this has the tendency to make me feel a lack of security, a crumbling of the very foundation of American life, for a country can be no stronger than the people who make it.

## CONGRESSMAN CRAWFORD SAYS FARM BUREAU DOES GOOD JOB AT WASHINGTON

Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, D. C. August 28, 1945

C. F. Openlander  
Route No. 3  
Grand Ledge, Michigan.

Dear Mr. Openlander:  
Let me at this time emphatically say that it is my firm opinion the Farm Bureau Federation through its local activities and Organization and Action Committees is rendering to the people of this country some of the most constructive service that has ever existed in the United States. I say this because of the highly technical and complicated Federal Legislation that is acted upon at Washington from time to time as it directly and intimately applies to the daily lives of all our people.

The forums and general discussions among your members and all of which develops public opinion and thus enables your action committees to pass their reactions on to State Headquarters and from there to the National Headquarters and on into the Congresses Committees where your Washington spokesmen present their views is all of great value to the members of Congress who are particularly interested in the farm phase of all legislation that comes before the committee in question.

For years, as a member of the House Banking & Currency Committee it has been my duty to give much attention to specific farm legislation connected with the operation of the Commodity Credit Corporation which is the agency that makes loans on farm crops, the activities of O. P. A. as related to pricing, rationing and

transportation system that will move agricultural production to every corner needed to prevent hunger among all peoples?

Are we going to preserve the traits that have made agricultural people a type of citizenship of its own—a group that wants to be self-sufficient and independent, that wants to link its existence with no other class, that hopes to keep the fine qualities of rural living heretofore so outstanding in American history?

All the materials of this earth come from the soil in some form. It should be our aim to so guard these great store houses of undeveloped wealth that they will continue to bless and supply the needs of the world's people for all time.

And for this stewardship, the farmer should be so compensated that he receives his rightful share of the world's income to warrant him the same privileges and opportunities granted to others.

It will be no easy job to adjust the many problems touching farm living that face us right now. It will take patience and loyalty towards our leaders and co-operation among ourselves and a willingness to do our part every mile of the way.

As a class we must keep ourselves free from the unrest, free from the desire for that which we have not earned, free from the things that destroy rather than build. By so doing, we will be one group, perhaps the one group that will be the balance wheel of our nation, regardless of the riotous clamor from other groups.

We must always remember that when a man gets a dollar he doesn't earn, some other man has to work for a dollar he doesn't get.

We must be in on the planning or find ourselves out in the division of returns. We must not rush into action too fast, we must do straight thinking and be firm in our convictions, and we must be so in earnest that other groups will be sympathetic.

I see no other way to keep the gains we have made and to make additional gains we need other than thru such representation as the Farm Bureau offers.

It behooves everyone of us who depends upon the farm for his income to not only continue his membership but to see to it that other farmers add to our strength.

There's work for us all, everyone of us. The Farm Bureau's similar to a farm in many respects, for it needs the whole family if it does its best.

For that very reason alone, I am anxious to have our Farm Bureau women find their place in the organization.

A well balanced farm or organization is one where each individual bears their share of the work and responsibility—all different yet radiating from the same center.

other types of control, and to many other proposals in which farmers are interested. Permit me to say that to my certain knowledge Messrs. Edward O'Neil, Mr. Osg and other Farm Bureau spokesmen are constantly in touch with members of my Committee and the views which they give to us have great influence on the Committee because we do know that their information comes directly from your local organizations and it represents the views of the membership back home.

I congratulate you upon the fine work which you are carrying on. Respectfully submitted,  
Fred L. Crawford,  
Saginaw, Michigan.  
(Congressman from 8th District)

## Selzer Manager of Farm Machinery Co-op

National Farm Machinery Co-operative purchases and manufacturers farm machinery and tractors for Farm Bureau Services of Michigan and nearly a score of large farm supplies co-operatives throughout the nation. It operates plants at Shelbyville, Ind., and Bellevue, Ohio. The directors have announced that Dan Selzer, manager of the Bellevue plant, is now manager of both plants. He was a principal owner and a very successful manager of the Bellevue plant when it was known as the Ohio Cultivator Company. Michigan is represented on the board of directors and the executive committee by C. L. Brody, executive secretary of Farm Bureau Services.

## Barnacles on Ships

In war or peace, the tiny barnacles always are enemies to ships. Layers of them, weighing as much as 30 tons may attach themselves to a 10,000-ton vessel and reduce its speed by 25 per cent. They also cause such vibration that certain instruments become useless. A new product keeps the anti-fouling paints loose from the body of ships so the animals cannot fasten themselves to the metal.

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## Let's Get Down to Earth



The feed situation on the high protein ingredients, such as soy bean oil meal, meat scrap, and cottonseed meal, is very bad. Whether this condition improves or not is difficult to judge at this early date.

## Here Are the Things the Feeder Can Do POULTRY

- 1 Cull and sell the poor producing hens and undeveloped pullets. A fair demand for meat will let you out better than putting scarce, high priced feed into them.
- 2 Urge your co-operative or independent feed dealer to get back of a co-operative egg marketing service for federal graded eggs and YOU support such a movement.
- 3 Feed grain as liberally as the quantity and quality of protein in your mash allows.

## DAIRY

- 1 Feed cows liberally on good roughage.
- 2 Don't feed any extra protein until the situation eases, but feed needed protein, vitamins, and minerals.
- 3 Cull out the animals that will be unprofitable under normal conditions.

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# Postwar Changes Facing Farmers

### Background Material for Discussion This Month by Our Community Farm Bureau Discussion Groups

By NORMAN K. WAGGONER  
Research & Education

#### Questions for Discussion:

1. What changes do you expect in agriculture in this community?
  - (a) Production practices
  - (b) Marketing and distribution
  - (c) Legislation
2. To what extent do you expect government regulations will be continued?
  3. Will farmers need new markets in the post war period?
    4. Have consumers become so accustomed to using oleo and other substitutes that they may be slow to return to butter?
      5. How would more definite creating of potatoes, eggs, vegetables and wheat affect Michigan farmers?
      6. What would more uniformity in packaging farm products improve marketing?
      7. What could farmers do to help to control marketing costs?
      8. What changes need to be made in tariff, import and export regulations?
      9. Will dehydration of certain foods open up new markets?
      10. What part will plastic and chemical uses of farm products have in creating new markets?
      11. How will air transportation affect marketing of certain perishable products like fruits and vegetables and poultry products?
      12. What can Michigan Farm Bureau and the American Farm Bureau do to help Michigan farmers in adjusting their programs to probable changes in the post war period?

#### Agricultural Production

Recent reports from the Bureau of Agricultural Economics shows that the output of farm products for sale was 32 percent greater in 1944 than the average for 1935 to 1939. This was in the face of less labor, inexperienced help and shortages. The large increase in timothy hay and plowable pasture during the 1930's created a reserve of soil fertility to be drawn upon during the war. This with improvement distribution of fertilizer and lime, together with new varieties, particularly of soy beans, wheat, oats, barley and flax was largely responsible for the increase in crop production. The great increase in livestock during this period resulted from larger feed supplies and cross breeding, artificial insemination and more effective disease control methods.

Prior to the war, farm machinery at moderate price, together with trucks and tractors substituted for horses, made more land available for production of commodities for sale. This shift to tractors has made available approximately 60,000,000 acres of crop land and pasture in the past 25 years. If the present trend continues until 1950, nearly 2,000,000 fewer horses and mules will be needed which will release another 8 to 10 million acres to produce farm products. In addition to this another 5,000,000 acres may be added by tiling, irrigation, and clearing land, creating an agricultural output maybe 35 to 45 percent above the 1935-1939 average.

#### Marketing Trends

The 1940 census shows approximately 6,000,000 farmers in the United States. The top 2,000,000 marketed 84 percent of all the agricultural products. The middle 2,000,000 marketed 13 percent, and the lower group marketed 3 percent of the farm products. In 1940 the American farmer constituted 3 percent of our population which received approximately 10 percent of the national income.

In view of the rapid increases in agricultural products it seems we will need about three new developments in the agricultural marketing situation.

1. An increase in the non-farm employment and purchasing power which would mean better diets and clothing for all.

2. An increase in industrial uses of farm products.
3. Larger export outlets.

Civilian use of farm products in 1941-1945 has been increased 6 to 8 percent above the 1935-1939 average which indicates persons with adequate income are able to purchase larger quantities of agricultural produce. Will domestic markets be sufficient to absorb any increase in agricultural production during the next few years? Why have farmers received a rather small share of the consumers' dollar? Statistics show that the American farmer received 40 percent of the consumers' dollar in 1939 and 50 percent in 1913. Is this a trend that is going to continue? Part of this is due to increased costs in packaging, processing, delivering and higher wage costs.

Congress directed the Secretary of Agriculture to support prices for the basic agricultural commodities, corn, cotton, wheat, rice, tobacco and peanuts.

In addition to these, increases have been requested for soy beans, flax, seed, potatoes, hogs, eggs, chickens weighing less than three pounds, turkeys, milk and butter fat.

Prices on these commodities are to be supported at least 90 percent parity. In case of feed crops, 85 percent for two years from the January which followed the date on which the President proclaims hostilities to end. This is in accordance with the Steagall amendment approved October 2, 1942.

But the commodities covered by these support prices only account for about 65 percent of the cash farm income, since fruits, vegetables, beef cattle, and veal calves, sheep, lambs and wool are not covered by these supports.

Do you feel these support prices should be continued? Should they be expanded to include other farm commodities?

#### WKAR Farm Forum

The Farm Forum will be conducted thru November each Monday afternoon from 1:00-1:30 over radio station WKAR.

The radio program is intended to bring out some information and views on the November discussion topic for Farm Bureau groups, "The Place of Organized Farmers in These Postwar Years".

The weekly topics are as follows:  
 Nov. 5—Reconversion of agriculture from war to peace.  
 Nov. 12—New markets and new marketing methods.  
 Nov. 19—Securing improvements in rural living thru organized effort.  
 Nov. 26—The place in individual farmers in organized effort.

#### Michigan Adds 472,000 Acres to its Farms

Michigan has gained 472,463 acres to its farm lands despite a loss of 7,916 farms since 1940, according to the bureau of the census. Greatest gain in farm lands was in Delta county, upper peninsula, 49,000 acres; greatest loss was in Newaygo county, 41,000 acres; greatest gain in number of farms was in Macomb county, 439 farms; greatest loss in number farms was in Tuscola county, 590 farms.

#### If You Move

Send us a postcard giving your old and new address, together with name of County Farm Bureau in which you hold membership. We'll transfer your Michigan Farm News, etc. If you know of members failing to receive their paper, have them send us a card. Thank you. Michigan Farm News, P.O. Box 960, Lansing Mich.

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## COLLEGE SAYS HANDLE DDT WITH CARE

Now that DDT is becoming available for more people some information regarding its proper use should be presented. The following is taken from a letter recently written by Dr. Ray Hutson, head of the dept. of entomology at Michigan State college.

"DDT has never failed in the control of insects of medical importance i. e. bedbugs, roaches, fleas, and lice. Its record on other insects is spotted. Termites have not been controlled by DDT. DDT has no knock-down effect. Insects contacting it die in from 2-24 hours.

"DDT is a poison. It is a tricky poison. There is comparatively little danger in handling DDT powders or water suspensions. Millions of humans have been exposed to intimate contact with DDT in dry form without harm. Of course, every care to prevent its ingestion by mistake or otherwise should be exerted. DDT in oil solution is something else. DDT in oils is absorbed through the skin. Careless and continuous exposure to oily solutions without proper precaution has resulted in at least two authenticated cases of paralysis identical with the observed in flies, though not fatal. Preventing the skin from becoming wetted with oily solutions of DDT; immediate removal of oily solutions of DDT from the skin with soap and water in case of accidental contact; and the use of synthetic rubber gloves and a gauze mask in any extensive use of oily solutions of DDT, may be suggested as the minimum precautions. A sprayer throwing a coarse droplet rather than a mist is more efficient for DDT, and is less likely to expose the operator to breathing oily mists of DDT. Oil solutions of DDT should not be used on domesticated animals.

"The main consideration in using DDT for positive results is know-how. The casual, careless, indiscriminate sloshing and squirting that has characterized the use of most fly sprays must be forgotten when DDT, particularly in oily solution, is used about human quarters, especially in food handling areas.

"Taking these things into consideration, I suggest the use of 10% DDT powder as a standard routine for in-

stitutional use against all household insects controlled by DDT except flies. One ounce of 10% powder will clean a double bed of bugs and "proof" it for six months. For flies and for a quick cleanup of insect pests a 5% oil solution of DDT is proper. Three ounces of 5% DDT in kerosene will clean a double bed of bugs and "proof" it for six months. Any use of 5% oil solution in any place should be the responsibility of some one designated person fully instructed and aware of the possibilities of misuse.



## SUPER UNICO Anti-Freeze

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Super Unico Anti-Freeze is made from high quality 200 proof Ethyl Alcohol. It has a rust inhibitor protecting against rust of all five metals in the automobile cooling system. It also contains a retardant against excessive evaporation.

## BUREAU-PENN or UNICO MOTOR OILS

### For Quick Starts—Smooth Performance...

Farm Bureau Pennsylvania and Mid-Continent motor oils for the cold months are engineered to assist quick starting in the coldest weather. Farm Bureau oils are made from the best basic stocks and are refined by superior processes to produce long wearing lubricants. We don't believe that any motor oil is any better. You'll like the price Farm Bureau dealers ask for Farm Bureau Pennsylvania or Mid-Continent oils. Sold in bulk and in 5 gallon pour type containers.

- GUN GREASE
- CUP GREASE
- AXLE GREASE
- TRANSMISSION OILS
- HIGH PRESSURE OILS
- GREASE GUNS

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for application. Some of the large compressed air paint sprayers are satisfactory for large scale application but the type of nozzle must be selected to throw a coarse spray rather than a mist. Electric driven household atomizers are as a general thing unsuitable. Piston type, hand atomizers are a very poor last choice.

"Nothing that has been said should be construed to mean that ordinary, occasional, casual contact with sur-

faces properly sprayed with oil solutions of DDT will result in noticeable poisoning."

For further information as to how this poison should be used in the control of various crop, livestock, and household pests, consult your county agricultural agent.

Each thought that is welcomed and recorded is a nest egg, by the side of which more will be laid.—Thoreau.

## We Promise to Co-operate

Our Seed Department warehouse space has been increased very substantially during the past year. By reason of this fact we hope to accumulate larger stocks of seed than formerly would have been possible.

We have had several inquiries by phone and in person as to whether or not we can handle their seed. The answer is YES! we are running our seed cleaning plant daily. Bring your seed as soon as possible! We will clean it over our modern cleaning machinery. Any excess over your needs we will purchase at the full ceiling price. This is a standing offer!

NOTICE: Occasionally we receive a postcard or letter inquiry with respect to seed, but without any signature attached. One arrived recently with an Allegan postmark. If the writer will furnish his name, we shall answer the inquiry.

## REMEMBER

- 1—We are cleaning seed.
- 2—Do not wait too long to bring it in! We have our own seed to process.
- 3—We will pay the full ceiling price for clover and alfalfa seed you have for sale.
- 4—Seed sold to us will help some other Michigan farmer rather than being shipped out to be replaced here by seed not as well adapted to Michigan's climate.
- 5—Farm Bureau Seed remains the only fully guaranteed seed. It is too well known to require further comment.
- 6—Some spend their lives producing At selling some excell, But folks who rate Co-operate Thereby do both jobs well.

### FARM BUREAU SERVICES, Inc. Seed Dep't 221 N. Cedar St., Lansing, Mich.

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# Our Roots Are in This Land...



How often you hear a man say of the land he owns... "When my son takes over, this will be a better place than when I got it!" Such a desire is natural to a father and splendidly American! Along with the expressed thought, there is a deep-rooted pride in continuous family ownership of productive land. So long as this ideal lives, agriculture will continue to be "the broad, enduring base upon which the entire U. S. economy rests."

There are many farm and ranch sons who stay in their families' business on the land. Some who do leave, however, might also stay, were there written business agreements between father and son. Such agreements insure a fair return to both "partners" for the labor, capital and ability they contribute to their joint enterprise.

Practical father-and-son farm business agreements have been worked out and are proving their worth in actual practice on many of the nation's farms and ranches. The various forms of these agreements cannot be explained in detail here, but they are available and worth study. Excellent bulletins on this subject may be had by writing to the College of Agriculture, University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois, for Circular No. 587; or to Michigan State College, East Lansing, Michigan, for Special Bulletin No. 330.

We, at Swift & Company, know that a prosperous agriculture is the base of our prosperity and we are proud to say with you... "Our roots are in this land."

#### Soda Bill Sex:

... That a steer is like a sofa: His frame is built on the range, his upholstery is put on in the Corn Belt, and he is often polished off in the city.

... That the important thing about a water-hole is water, and the important thing about a good farm is good farming.



## Have you heard about the new improved lard?

Swift & Company, after ten years of research and consumer tests, has developed a brand new product—Swift's Bland Lard. It has all the advantages of other high grade shortenings, plus the important qualities found only in lard. It will cause millions of American housewives to use more lard, and that's mighty important to hog producers.

Any improvement in pork products which boosts consumer demand (such as a superior lard) will have a supporting effect on live hog prices, because the price paid for livestock is governed by what the meat packer can get for the meat and by-products.

#### THE EDITOR'S COLUMN

The livestock-and-meat industry is like an endless chain. The meat travels in one direction; from livestock producer to meat packer, to retail dealer, to consumer. And coming back in the opposite direction is money; from the meat purchaser to the storekeeper, to the meat packer, to the man who grows the livestock.

There must be motive power to keep that chain running, and that motive power is profit. It is profit that keeps ranchers and farmers producing livestock; profit keeps meat packers slaughtering, dressing and delivering meat to retailers; profit keeps retailers selling meat in their stores.

We at Swift & Company well know that a continuing loss anywhere along the line would mean that all of us would suffer. Thus, it is clearly to our own advantage to operate our end of the livestock-and-meat industry so efficiently that the money the consumer pays for meat shall cover all costs plus a sufficient profit for retailers and livestock producers, as well as for ourselves.

F.M. Simpson,

Agricultural Research Department

#### PHENOTHIAZINE FOR FARM FLOCKS

By RICHARD C. MILLER  
Kentucky Agricultural Experiment Station

All sheep in farm flocks—ewes, rams and lambs—should be dosed late this fall or early winter with phenothiazine and again in the spring after lambing time. From at least May 1, through September, the one-to-nine phenothiazine-salt mixture should be accessible in a covered feeder that protects it from the weather.

In Kentucky tests during the past three years, involving 30,000 breeding ewes, this program (in connection with generally recognized good farm flock practices, such as pasture rotation), eliminated the dosing of any lambs in more than 90 percent of the flocks, and made possible the growing out of even the latest lambs to good market weights and finish. The average increase in weight per lamb was nearly 12 pounds above normal pre-war average. The average annual cost for phenothiazine was less than 30 cents per ewe.

Farmers and ranchers in doubt as to time and frequency of treatment best suited to their conditions and purposes should consult their state agricultural college.

### Swift & Company UNION STOCK YARDS CHICAGO 9, ILLINOIS

\*\*\* NUTRITION IS OUR BUSINESS — AND YOURS \*\*\*  
Right Eating Adds Life to Your Years — and Years to Your Life



#### Martha Logan's Recipe for CHICKEN REGAL

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|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 2 cups cubed cooked chicken | 2 cups cooked peas             |
| 4 tablespoons chicken fat   | 2 cups chopped mushrooms       |
| 4 tablespoons flour         | 4 tablespoons chopped pimiento |
| 2 teaspoons salt            | 4 egg yolks                    |
|                             | 4 cups milk                    |

Make a white sauce of the fat, flour, milk, and seasoning. Add chicken, peas, mushrooms, and pimiento. Heat thoroughly. Beat yolks. Add a little of the hot mixture to the eggs and mix. Remove chicken mixture from the heat. Add egg mixture. Stir well. Serve immediately over hot biscuits, waffles, or cornbread.

#### CATTLEMAN ON HORSEBACK

Next time you are at the Union Stock Yards in Chicago, if you see this big, jovial man sitting on a horse in the middle of a milling pen of cattle, that will be M. S. ("Si") Hughes, Swift's Head Cattle Buyer at Chicago.

Way back in 1917, Si Hughes walked up to the Swift buyer in Kansas City and said, "Mister Stemm, I want a job." He got the job, and he's been with Swift ever since, except for a two-year army hitch in World War I. Kansas City, St. Louis, Fort Worth, St. Joseph, Kansas City again, and finally Chicago—all added to his experience in judging the quality and yield percentages, grading, etc., of cattle.

In 1943 he was made Head Cattle Buyer for Swift & Company at the Chicago Yards. He has a staff of experienced cattle buyers directly associated with him.



## ROOM RATE SCHEDULE

### MICHIGAN STATE FARM BUREAU ANNUAL MEETING

At Fairchild Theatre, Michigan State College, East Lansing

November 8 and 9, 1945

At Lansing Hotels and Private Residences

Hotel Rooms	Olds Hotel	Roosevelt Hotel	Porter Hotel	Wentworth Hotel	Strand Hotel	Detroit Hotel
	125 W.	220 Michigan	Seymour	Townsend	201 E. Michigan	122 S. 111 N. Grand
Telephone	5-9155	2-1471	2-1491	4-3019	4-2218	9-1522
Single Without Bath	None	\$1.50	None	\$1.50	\$1.50	
Single With Bath	\$2.50 up	\$2.50	\$2.50 up	\$2.25	\$2.00	
Double Without Bath (2 persons)	None	\$2.50	None	\$2.50	\$2.50 up	*\$3.00
Double With Bath (2 persons)	\$4.00 up	\$3.50 up	\$4.00 up	\$3.00	\$3.00 up	*4.00 up

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

\*Detroit hotel—send money with reservation.

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR MAKING HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Make reservations as soon as possible. Last year the Olds, Roosevelt and Porter hotels notified the Farm Bureau one week before the convention that they could take no more reservations. The hotels continue to do a big business. Write direct to the hotel of your choice for reservations. When reserving room, indicate who is to occupy the room, and for what nights. For example, Mr. and Mrs. J. Smith, or William Burns and Arthur Town. Give date of arrival. It is best to register at your hotel immediately on arrival and get your room. Rooms are not held after 6:00 p. m. unless hotel is notified you are coming late. Telephone hotel if delayed. Be sure to cancel reservation as early as possible if unable to come.

#### 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 \$1.50 per person per night where two persons occupy the room. Single occupancy of a room is usually \$2.00 per night. Write Membership Relations Dept' regarding rooms in private residences. Do it early.

#### FINAL INFORMATION SERVICE

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7—For information regarding rooms, etc., call at Membership Relations Department, State Farm Bureau, 221 North Cedar St., Lansing. Telephone 21-271.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8—For information, room services, etc., call at the desks in lobby of convention hall, Fairchild theatre, New Auditorium, Michigan State College, East Lansing.