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EDITORIAL

Leader in Industry Answers NTEA

Victor Emanuel, chairman of the board of the Aviation Corporation, has addressed to American businessmen a memorandum on farmer co-operatives. Mr. Emanuel objects to the motives of the National Tax Equality Ass'n in its attack on farm co-operatives. He said, in part:

Some months ago at the very time when business and agriculture were growing closer together, a certain group of business interests, principally in feed, seed, fertilizer and other farm supplies, launched a bitter and ill-considered attack upon farmer co-operatives through the medium of the National Tax Equality Ass'n.

This Ass'n has undertaken a national crusade to convince the public that Congress and state legislatures have erred in passing statutes legalizing the operations of farmer-owned co-operative business institutions, and in allowing them statutory exemptions from income taxes.

Most of us engaged in business and industry do not have any real conception of farm problems in general, or of farm co-operatives in particular. That is unfortunate, because turning a deaf ear to the problems of agriculture is an invitation to agriculture to ignore the problems of business. . . The farmer has come to bat for business ... He is entitled to have his problems understood by business.

Not always understood by businessmen are simple statistics about farms and farmers. There are approximately 6,000,000 farms in the United States, the great majority of which consist of "family sized farms." About 43.4% of the people live in rural areas-30,500,000 on farms and 26,700,000 in towns not exceeding 2,500 population: almost half the school children in the United States come from rural homes.

In the past, the produce of these farms was sold at a price level upon which no business could succeed. Crops, generally speaking, had to be sold when they were ready for market. The price the farmer received was generally the lowest wholesale price. As contrasted with this, these same farmers bought their farm supplies and materials and machinery for production at the highest retail price.

Studies show that prices paid by farmers for supplies, including branded merchandise, in the average small agricultural community far exceeded the prices paid by business and labor in the large metropolitan centers for the same goods.

Selling at wholesale and buying at retail did more to cause the organization of farmer co-operatives than any one other factor. Without co-operative effort, these small farmers would have no marketing agents, salesmen or sales organizations at their beck and call. Their crops would have to be sold when ready for market at whatever price was offered.

A farm is really a manufacturing plant where fertilizer, seed, feed, gasoline, tractors and dozens of other items are used to the end that a farm crop is produced for market. If a farmer has to buy these items at retail and sell at wholesale, he is under an insurmountable handicap.

The farmer does not enjoy the advantage of doing business in corporate form. But his co-operative is a corporation, with one important difference. It is built to serve patrons at cost rather than to serve the public at a profit. In the United States, the co-operative movement has grown gradually over a period of many years. . . It was not until 1944 that a serious and widespread attack upon the farmer co-operative was started here.

The simplest explanation 1 can give of a farmer co-operative follows:

Brown owns a farm and gives his neighbor, Jones, who likewise owns a farm, and is going to town, \$100 to purchase fertilizer for him at the same time Jones buys some for himself. Jones returns \$8.50, being the balance he has left after purchasing those supplies. less a pro-rate share of expenses. No one can say that Jones made a profit out of the transaction which should be subject to income tax. He merely returned to Brown unexpended capital which had belonged to Brown all the time. Jones was simply Brown's agent. . . Jones is represented by the co-operative which returns to its patron members over-payment of capital as patronage refunds after giving them goods or services.

SATURDAY, APRIL 7, 1945



36,079 FAMILIES MEMBERS OF FARM BUREAU

The 1945 roll call for membership Dec. 1, 1944, the state total was fair. . . First, 50 men from the Percy 29.043. The 1945 goal is 40,000. good early spring weather have slowed membership campaign opera-tions, so that the work continues at Ackley of the Kalamazoo Gazette be-

in April, according to County Farm Bureau secretaries. A complete re-port by counties will be published in our edition for May 5. So far 12 County Farm Bureaus

have more than 1,000 members. Ber-rien is first with 2,701, Saginaw sec-ond with 1,660, Ottawa third with 1,265. Others are: Allegan 1,141; Barry 1,005; Branch 1,240; Calhoun 1,040; Eaton 1,000; Ionia 1,025; Tuscola 1,160; Van Buren 1,120; Washtenaw 1,085. Crowding 1,000 are: Ingham 929; Lapeer 973; St. Clair

KALAMAZOO USO "Battle veterans swung their part-Jones Convalescent hospital had a

Very bad winter weather and very chicken dinner, topped off with apple

COUNTY FAIR AT

Farm Bureau.

hostesses. Nine groups take turnsfour Farm Bureau groups, each repre-Granges, and the home economics extension group. The second Friday night, and county fair night. The night of February 9 the north-

932.Since January 1, the Michigan
Farm News has added \$.163 new mem-
berships to its subscription list: Jan-
uary 507; February 3.238; Marchand Mrs. Cyril Root of Kalamazoo R-9
as chairman; March 9th the southwest
Farm Bureau group was host, with
Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Bingham of
Schoolcraft R-2 as chairmen.The board of the communicate
tigan Farm Bureau directs its presi-
dent and secretary to communicate
these views to Michigan members of
Congress, to Governor Kelly and to
I said I knew of no logic in the
method for the \$50,000 ceiling.production inheritance, and it is
production inheritance, and it is
annual meeting of the \$50,000 ceiling. about February 9:

PRAISE CONGRESS FOR INVESTIGATING **FOOD SITUATION**

The board of directors of the Mich igan Farm Bureau, in session at Lan sing, March 26 and acting for 35,000 members of the organization, commended Congress for opening its own investigation of all phases of the food production and distribution situation. The resolution said:

We commend the House of Congress for its action for a special joint com-mittee of the House and Senate to investigate the removal by Selective Service of essential farm labor in rela tion to the food production needs for the armed forces, our allies, and the home front.

We urgently request Senators Van-denberg and Ferguson to support this measure in the Senate. We particular ily request both committees to investi-gate conditions in Michigan in relation to the effort on farm production of inadequate farm equipment and repairs and the draining of essential, irre placeable farm workers from farms by Selective Service and war indus tries.

The public is being advised by government bureaus that the outlook is increasingly worse for the supply of meats and other foods. To this the Michigan Farm Bureau replies that since early in 1942 it has emphasized repeatedly to government bureaus and has informed Congress that farmers must have the necessary minimums of farm machinery, equipment, and ex-perienced farm labor if they are to the production goals the war has laid upon them and thereby avoid a-serious food shortage.

To this end the Michigan Farm Bureau has worked continuously through its national office and through the National Council of Farm'er Co-operatives at Washington to influence government bureaus to allot sufficient metal for the manufacture

of farm machinery to replace worn ended March 31 with a total of 36,079 ners . . . Friday night was farm paid-up members for the year, as re-ported by 49 County Farm Bureaus. mazoo USO was turned into a county parts for rapidly disintegrating farm equipment.

Under date of January 29, 1945 this board of directors addressed General

opportunities. Substantial numbers gan an article on the February 9 istrants to avoid further depletion of new memberships will be reported county fair program produced by a of essential, experienced farm labor; in April, according to County Farm group from the Kalamazoo County that only by so doing can the farmers of the state and nation produce the

Friday night is farm night party at the Kalamazoo USO. Farmers and women on the fighting fronts of the their wives take over as hosts and world and those engaged in supplementary activities on the home front. We called attention to the fact the senting a quarter of the county, four WFA Administrator Marvin Jones is eral Motors, Consumers Power Comcalling for a material increase of meat, dairy, and vegetable products over night of each month is Farm Bureau last year; that in view of the unprece-dented demand upon the farmers of the nation the spirit and the intent

Farm Bureau Program In the Legislature

We Present Our Views on Bills Dealing With Taxes, Schools, Dep't of Agriculture, Farm Trucks and Livestock

By STANLEY M. POWELL

The most discussed questions around legislative halls these days center around the following four points: First, when is the legislature going to adjourn? Second, budget. Third, are there to be any new taxes and if so, what? Fourth, is there going to be any further state-aid to local units of government and if so, how much and how will it be divided?

A poll of the lobbyists as to their guess regarding the date of final adjournment varied all the way from April 26 to June 15.

The budget director indicates that his office and the appropriating committees of the senate and the house have reached virtual agreement on practically all the items in the budget and that action on these bills will be taken in the very near future.



As yet, no major appropriation measures have been passed by either branch of the legislature. There is considerable sentiment for taking no action as yet in response to the pleas of the cities and other units of government for additional state aid. . It is being urged that the budget bills should first be considered so as to find out how much money would be left over for further grants to local units. If this does not seem to be sufficient to meet the needs, the only solution would be through enactment of some additional tax measures. Those being most discussed just now are revision of the S.M.POWELL tax on intangible wealth so as to bring in consider-

able additional revenue and a 10% tax on liquor and a boost in the tax on beer.

Corporation Franchise Tax Ceiling-+

Removing the present \$50,000 ceiling | Livestock-Three measures favored from the Michigan corporation fran-chise tax and dropping the rate from studied livestock marketing have $2\frac{1}{2}$ to $1\frac{3}{4}$ mills upon each dollar of been approved by the house and sent its paid up capital and surplus would to the senate. These require the produce substantially more revenue licensing of livestock weigh master, than the present law yields and would obviously be much more equitable. seek to prevent the sale within the state for human consumption of meat There are, at present, 18 corporations from calves less than four weeks old, which pay at the ceiling rate of \$50,000. If there were no such ceil-auction sale companies. ing, some of these large corporations would pay several hundred thousand

dollars. This bill was once reported favorably by the senate committee on tax-ation, but the lobbyists for the 18 big corporations became extremely active and the bill was sent back to the taxation committee for a hearing. The hearing was held Wednesday evening, April 4. Spokesmen for the big business institutions of the state were present with their best legal talent to raise objections. Included were the Michigan Manufacturers Ass'n, Michigan Chain Stores Bureau, Genpany and Detroit Edison Company. dairy bulls. The only support for the bill represented at the hearing in addition to its sponsor, Senator James T. Mil-

west group of the Farm Bureau put of the Tydings amendment should be on the dinner and the fair, with Mr. carefully observed. sideration, was the Michigan Farm Bureau. For the Farm Bureau, I re-

A measure to appropriate \$50,000

for construction of a bull barn on the Michigan State College campus, to be used for housing sires maintained by the Michigan Artificial Breeders Co operative, Inc., passed the house with only one dissenting vote after the appropriation had been cut down to \$25,000. While this seems like a sizeable amount for a barn, sponsors of the measure emphasize that it must be made absolutely fire proof so that there would be no risk of loss of the valuable sires housed therein, and it, should be so constructed as to safeguard the lives and limbs of the men who handle the temperamental mature

The artificial breeding program has worked out very successfully and is proving so popular that the demand liken of Traverse City, chairman of for its expansion greatly exceeds the facilities now available at the College. widest

establishment of the \$50,000 ceiling, ing the name and address of the regisbut there are definite economic advantages in it for big business. trailer or semitrailer of more than trailer or sem-trailer of more than 3,500 lbs. weight was amended before vantage and this ceiling plan puts being passed by the house so as to exwas pointed out that the testimony ed with farm commercial license empt trucks elegible for and equipplates. This amendment, which was proposed by the Michigan Farm attorneys would have been very negli- Bureau, not only exempts farm trucks if really enforced, would demand that several items of dimensional informa-A requirement that every truck, tractor, trailer or semi-trailer weighing over 3,500 lbs, carry an imposing supply of special equipment was on tax and would lessen the competi- days and was debated on various the house calendar for a number of occasions, but was finally sent back to committee where it may die peaceful-

When the farmer with old tools and a depleted manpower is meeting his war production goals, it becomes a poor time to attack his method of doing business, especially when this method of doing business has gone back many, many years. It would be the same thing if farmers and farm organizations were attacking industry's method of doing business and harrowing industry in the midst of its greatest endeavor for the national good.

I have found that farmer co-operatives pay all forms of taxes that other business do except federal income tax. They, together with some 18 types of organizations, including chambers of commerce, business leagues and boards of trade also receive their exemption by virture of Sec. 101 of Title 26 of the United States Code.

Many farmers co-operatives have no objection to paying taxes on operating reserves retained, or on the limited small dividends declared. This, however, would not satisfy the National Tax Equality Ass'n. The crux of the problem with that Ass'n is the patronage refund, which is not a profit, as I have' explained.

The only way bona fide farmer co-operatives could be taxed on patronage refunds, which is what the National Tax Equality Ass'n is really talking about, is through an excise tax imposed upon their right to do business, as there is no way to tax a profit that does not exist.

If Congress could and should pass a law taxing the patronage refund, the co-operatives would then lower prices to a near cost basis, plus estimated expenses and continue business as usual. This would be far worse for the business that fears competition.

Business and industry would be far better advised if it tried more intelligently to get its own taxation troubles straightened out, especially a proper system of corporate taxation for the critical post-war period rather than to attack farmer co-operative tax exemption.

If double taxation of the corporation and its stockholders were eliminated, corporations would have no different tax problem than the co-operative, even though they are in business to secure a profit for their owners as well as render a service to their customers. The latter is the only function of a true co-operative.

The National Tax Equality Ass'n fight becomes futile, principally because you cannot tax profits that do not exist. It is lacking in statesmanship. Instead of seeking farm support, it causes farm enmity.

Urban business . . . has everything to lose and nothing to gain in fighting farmer co-operatives. If I know anything at all about Washington and federal legislation, I know what the National Tax Equality Ass'n proposes cannot be accomplished. What it can do and will do, however, is to incur the displeasure and enmity of agriculture and create the very kind of atmosphere in which business cannot prosper, or perhaps even survive.

By co-operating with agriculture, not only will the abuse of co-operatives and other businesses be corrected, but business and industry will receive the sympathetic understanding of agriculture. This is vitally needed if our peculiarily American economy is to be preserved.

and Yale to adopt slow time

OK Slow Time

Farm Bureaus Want **Towns on Slow Time**

Huron County Farm Bureau has Flint and Pontiac asked Bad Axe, the county seat, and Harbor Beach to go on central war time with the county. Bad Axe has been operating on fast time for the New York asked for fast time. The Genesee and Oakland County Farm er Co-operatives. and 63 business firms asked for slow time. The council ordered fast time, 3 to 2.

St. Clair county-Kenockee-Emmett Community Farm Bureau has asked 126 years.



Ingham County Farm Bureau, with the county and community organizations at their meeting at State College March 14.

President Davis named chairmen for the several County Farm Bureau They in turn introduced projects. their committeemen, and made short statements regarding their objectives, as follows:

Membership-Kenneth Bibbins, Ma son, chairman. The county now has 929 members out of a possible 1,300. Community Groups & Adult Education-Carlyle Waltz, Mason R-3, chair-Four vice-chairmen have been man. named for the quarters of the county. Business Planning-Harold Spink, Mason R-3, treasurer, chairman. The committee will set up a bookkeeping

system in accordance with the growth in the membership. Social Affairs-Bernard Wilson, Leslie R-3, chairman. This commit-tee has charge of such meeting as the

annual live stock feeders day, county picnic, and annual meeting. Group Hospitalization - William Fanson, Mason R-1, chairman. Emphasizes that the Michigan Hospital Service program is not something that the Farm Bureau is trying to sell.

but it is a service that the Farm Bureau seeks to make available to its members. Publicity-Gerald Diamond, Mason

R-2, Chairman. An active organization makes news material for the publicity chairmen. Junior Farm Bureau-Harlow Sly, Webberville, senior counselor.

Associated Women - Mrs. Dell Meade, Dansville, chairman. The program will be strengthened in the county this year.

Directors Appoint Yaeger the city commissions of Port Huron Ass't Sec'y of Farm Bureau

At their meeting March 26, direct ors of the Michigan Farm Bureau, up on recommendation of Executive Sec retary C. L. Brody, appointed J. F. Yaeger to be assistant executive sec-

Flint and Pontiac voters favored a er continues as director of field serreturn to central war time when the vices, which includes direction of the summer months. At Harbor Beach question was put before them April membership relations dep't and the the Huron Milling Co. with offices at 2 by their city administrations. The work of the Michigan Ass'n of Farm-He came County Farm Bureau, other farmers, Bureaus joined with other groups in Farm Bureau in 1935 as head of the recommending a return to slow time. membership dep't.

> Until the German invasion in 1940, The white rhinoceros has a dark

"The proximity of Valentine's day was evident. Each service man wore one signed with his name. To the tune of Over the Waves, five girls, each with a large paper heart as a license to steal, began a robber dance. One sailor was 'stolen' at least a dozen

a membership of 929 families, will conduct its 1945 program through committees, said President Charles times Davis of Onondaga to 75 leaders of for in the game room. There was almost always someone at the piano, where boogie-woogie didn't jar with The Girl I Left Behind Me.

ping pong balls into a basket. A girl was analysing handwriting. Mary and Anne Locher made silhouettes and mounted them on Valentines.

"Five men won prizes and got to talk to the folks back home. Thev were T-5 Erwin Ruffin, Allentown, 9,400 persons covered. Wis.; Arnold Nelson, Athens, Tex.; John Aebley, Milwaukee; George Roach, Peoria, Ill.; Elmer Miller, Lan-. Others made records in the reau in a program to present the prosing. record making booth for sending to the home folks.

At the height of the party there were 200 servicemen, farmers and USO service club girls there." rollment.

Before the Farm Bureau county fair night, March 9, service men from the Kellogg Annex to Percy Jones General Hospital and the Convalescent Facility at Fort Custer were taken son, St. Joseph and Hillsdale. through the Ingersoll Steel and Disc Company plant where they saw the manufacture of the "beach buster"- FARM BUREAU type of landing tank. Then at the SERVICE ON SEEDS USO they sat down to potluck dinner with 25 farmers and their wives.

Chicken-topped off with cherry, mince, chocolate or custard pie. At regular rates of seeding, After dinner, the county fair pro-gram. It was a March Hare party. Farm Bureau clovers, brome grass would be turned over to the county. There was a fine exhibit by the Kala- and alfalfa moved so far this spring. mazoo County Rabbit Breeders Ass'n. And it is still early April. Service men tore likenesses of rabbits

junior Farm Bureau grows by being den about the club rooms. The lucky ment of clovers and brome grass this living in the rural districts. ones were awarded telephone calls year. March was a record month for home. Those who knew square danc-ing got that under way, while junior The Farm Bureau. The Farm Bureau seed cleaning

graphs were taken-"on the house" or pounds of June and mammoth clover lonated by camera enthusiasts, all for by a considerable margin. Total insending to the home folks.

ity from the snack bar in the form of Brome grass movement has been andwiches, cookies and coffee.

Offers Discussion Aids **Organization** for Peace

In late April Michigan Community

Until the German invasion in 1940, The white rainoceros has a dark the rain bureau is a member of the internation of the old line groups. Norway had remained at peace for coat, made pale by the mud in which Council. Mrs. Olive Haskin, pres-Michigan Extension office, Junior tically all of the dairy states in the which are regulated by the Depart.

MICHIGAN FARM BUREAU.



no surprise. Those lobbyists and Michigan Hospital Service an- gent in their responsibilities to the from the new requirements, but from nounces that among Community corporations which they represent if provisionns of the present law, which, Farm Bureau groups old members of they did not make every effort to rethe service are being enrolled at the tain the preferential advantage which new rates described in the Farm their corporations have been enjoy-News for March. New members and ing. It was observed that probably "Some customers tried to bounce ing pong balls i into a basket. New stor march. New memory and the smaller business concerns had not new groups are being enrolled at the new rates for increased service. would be obviously for the bill be-March first 4,148 Farm Bureau families were members of the hospital cause it would directly reduce their service, in 182 Community Farm Butive handicap under which they are reau groups. The average is 2.27 persons per family, or a total of about now laboring. New Taxes for Cities-A proposal to

permit cities to levy excise taxes to raise revenue for their own local pur-Austin L. Pino, rural enrollment manager for Michigan Hospital Servposes 'received considerable attention ice, will co-operate with the Farm Buin the house committee on general taxation, but apparently has been gram to some 425 community Farm sidetracked. Bureau groups during the next year.

Highway Finances-Just what is go-At least 10 members or 60% of a ing to be done about highway finance group are required for original enis hard to predict as yet. There is considerable sentiment among rural Branch county leads with 900 fammembers for giving additional funds ilies enrolled in 15 groups. Other leading counties are Kalamazoo, Ma-

to county road commissions to enable them to give a little better care to the side roads taken over by the counties under the so-called McNitt act. State Aid to Local Gov'ts-Some of would in reality count city folks per capita share for city purposes and would then enjoy their proporsome There would be considerable equity and common sense in earmarking for

The combination of a very mild local road purposes the proportion of from paper, which became numbered March and the shortage of alfalfa additional state aid which would be have made for a very heavy move- allotted each county for the people sent to the house on February & allotted each county for the people sent to the house on February S. ving in the rural districts. Meanwhile, some of the measures This measure is intended to remove the state department of agriculture, amendments.

been handled by the Farm Bureau to date. This is more brome than we have handled in any previous season. semblance of the genuine article and has thus constituted a fraud both on producers and consumers. This bill This bill has been demanded at

Farm Bureaus will receive through Women voters, is community consult- sale of the substitute product in the Michigan Council on Adult Edu- ant for the month. Her office is pre- semblance of the genuine article. cation material for discussions of pared to furnish discussion kits, Filled milk has already been outlawcation material for discussions of pared to furnish discussion leaders for world organization for world peace. speakers, and discussion leaders for The Farm Eureau is a member of the meetings. Address University of against it have been passed by prac-by several of the old line groups

Control of traffic passing school usses paused for loading or unloading passengers was considered at length in the house. After adopting numerous amendments, the house assed the bill by Representative A. P. Decker of Deckerville and sent it to senate

Butterfat in Ice Cream-Extension for two years of the present lowered butterfat standards for ice cream and sherberts has been approved by both branches of the legislature. The senate approved a measure authoriz-

ing boards of supervisors to require pasturization of milk sold in all or the proposals for distributing added state aid to local units of government to encourage the Michigan tourist twice in that they would get their full not been reported from the house industry. The proposal has, as yet, committee on agriculture, where the sentiment thus far has not been very favorable to the plan.

Department of Agriculture-Considerable mystery surrounds the opposition of members of the house committee on state affairs to the Rawson

favored by the Farm Bureau are mak-as far as possible, from partisan poliing progress and some other bills to tics and give it greater continuity of ing got that under way, while junior and senior hostesses taught those who wanted to learn. Voice recordings past winter. Total bulks handled to date this season exceed half a million objectionable features moderated by sion, which would meet from time to

Filled Milk-A measure defining and This commission would select the onated by camera enthusiasts, all for ending to the home folks. Throughout the evening Farm Bur-the other of the ather but a few thousand pounds, so most and sent to the senate. Filled milk is Throughout the evening Farm Bur-but a few thousand pounds, so most eau ladies, like those of the other of that clover has moved into pro-bands bands. It is made by removing all or part of the policy and administration. It is and sent to the senate. Fined that he would pass on broad principles in both the policy and administration. It is butterfat from milk or cream and sub-taken for granted that any com-Brome grass movement has been equally heavy this year. Five car-loads and some truck deliveries have

> would prevent the manufacture and each annual convention of the Mich-This bill has been demanded at igan Farm Bureau for the past several years. It has been approved by the (Continued on page four)

retary of the organization. Mr. Yaeg-



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Community Farm Bureau Activities

By MRS. MARJORIE KARKER Membership Relatons and Education

The topic for the month of March attend Community Farm Bureau. was on the reorganization of rural schools. I have never read more controversial opinions. It showed me that rural people are thinking about school districts. their school situation. I shall not attempt to report the points covered by these discussions in all cases. I have tried to pick things from the minutes which were a little different from the set discussion material in the hopes that the ideas presented is too far away from local people. may be used by your groups. If you don't care for this way of reporting the minutes in this column of the News. I shall be glad to have your comments. Headings show number persons present.

the community are giving in honor will conduct some leadership training of Kiwanis and Chamber of Com- for community group officers. Oppos merce clubs and other business men ed to raise in gas tax. Senator and of Charlevoix. Clarence Murray is on the committee.

Lima-Scio, Washtenaw-60. Webster group was invited for a joint meeting April 5, program by the

agent for Lapeer County.

Group also gave \$5 for Easter Seals are good; for livestock producer, not for Crippled Children.

West Jefferson, Hillsdale-19. Mr. for poultry raiser, good. Otto Gilmore reported on the membership drive. The township is near-100% of schools was discussed. It was sug-gested that every member become place that rural people must have informed on this subject so that he equal voice in the running of the could vote intelligently.

South Evart Center Line, Osceola-12. New group organiged.

Flowerfield No. 1, St. Joseph-19. port of Cass County. Rural Education. Schools would benefit by reorganization and to send four representatives of our of OPA were asked to get together asked to appoint a capable woman condensing three or four districts group to meet with village council if on this into one rather than consolidation of necessary to gain slow time in the a township or county.

Bloomer Township, Montcalm-50. New group organized during February lively discussion on the comparable incomes of farmers and other armed forces. We have one. Farmers groups was held at the March meet- will need an organization after the

Clarendon, Calhoun-13. Survey made by Illinois on rural schools was read. school building cleaned to make it sponsor. Colin Smith. sanitary for our children.

Falmouth, Missaukee-20. Discussion on what the co-ops have accom-plished. Financial statement of local co-op was given and explanation of why co-ops are tax exempt. Five Corners, Eaton-16. Voted to

discontinue pot-luck suppers after March meeting but to have regular discussion meetings. Invited new members in Brookfield township to

Dallas, Clinton-26. County Agr'l Agent Roscoe Smith gave background of reasons for reorganizing presen

New Haven, Shiawassee-13 families. New group organized this month. Polkton No. 1, Ottawa-14. New group organized during February. Discussion on rural schools not in Delaware, Sanilac-75. New group

rganized during February. Liberty, Wexford. New group or-

ganized during February. Almira, Benzie-17. Bill Morse of Junior Farm Bureau discussed activ-Inwood, Charlevoix-14. Farmers of ities of their organization. Juniors epresentative so notified.

Stoney Corner, Missaukee-15. New group organized during March after county leaders explained the need for Farm Bureau discussion groups. Rives, Jackson-18. C. A. Pulver

explained the bill on the enrichment of white bread and flour. We favor the bill, and a home demonstration October (1990) (2000) Oakridge, Isabella-24. Group di-vided into four groups to discuss mar-Reeman, Newaygo-31. Mr. Frens reported that \$410 was collected for the Red Cross in the community. Lecided the prospects for the dairy farmer

very, good; for fruit farmer, good; Hilltop, Ionia-26. Conclusion on rural schools: That people must parpaid up. Standardization ticipate in their local annual school

school. Dowagaic, Cass-38. Ralph Mack explained plans for the Memorial Air-

Lynn Mussey, St. Clair-36. Voted ommunity.

Bethany, Gratiot-45. Our group will pay the Farm Bureau membership dues of our members serving in the

Aetna Group No. 1, Mecosta-19. Sent a resolution protesting bill pro-Group voted to get our local viding for a pension for judges, to its Forester Township, Sanilac. New

Westside Highland, Osceola-39. group organized during February. East side and west side groups met Benzonia Township, Benzietogether. Discussion on school situ-Group discussed draft situation. Mem-other study the township unit district for job. A letter was sent Mr. James Millwould reorganize the Department of lower than when the war began. new members and hold the old ones." representative asking them to use and enlighten someone on the ad-



S. CLARK

MICHIGAN FARM, NEWS

Violets in the Grass

Oh. Spring came on with a rush this year, (And how I hope it stays and stays) goose-bone prophets, afar and near We

Were wrong, it seems, by thirty days, For March brought millions of April flowers And April's soft warm breezes pass While leaves burst out in the maple towers.

And violets in the grass.

The daffy-dills dance in the genial sun The hyacinths breathe their rich perfume Forsythias glow, and one by one

The garden fairies their play resume. Winter may claim the world once more

Binding the brook in chains of glass But now, right now, at my own front door

Arc violets in the grass.

Day by day as we live along Red hours fret us, and black hours pain; Hours of sorrow and hours of song:

Joy and wee, as the Fates ordain., War looms huge in the sky just now;

Death and catastrophe come to pass; But kind hearts lighten the scene somehow Like violets in the grass.

When life seems empty of all but care

Love can cheer you till joy prevails. When God seems distant, away off there,

Pray with your heart. He never fails. Look for the tiny kindly deeds; Candle gleams in the solemn Mass;

Search for the flowers among the weeds And the violets in the grass.

R. S. Clark, 315 Grinnell Street, Jackson, Michigan.

WOMEN NAME

LOCAL LEADERS

By MRS. MARJORIE KARKER Director of Women's Work

tion to a plan for enlargening school districts and to reduce the number of school officers. Fifty attended the

LITCHFEIELD HAS **OPA TO MEETING**

At a meeting of North Litchfield aid of a full time director of women's work. This was asked by the Associa-At a meeting of Rorn Washtenaw work. This was asked by the Associated by the Associa members of the OPA from Detroit, farmers and the OPA learned some-Bureau board of directors. thing. Farmers learned that there is no very closely with the Community

farm advisory board to meet with the Farm Bureau activities. This is in OPA at Detroit. Farmers urged and accordance with the ideas expressed OPA men agreed there should be one by county leaders in district meetings advise on farm prices and farm during March. policy. Stanley Powell and Mr. Clark

Cards sent to members before the that the women's activities program meeting brought this information to is carried on in the county. She will OPA as to what farmers thought be responsible to the county Farm

should be equitable price ranges to farmers for products: Butterfat 75c medium through which the program to 1.00 lb., milk 5%, \$5.00 to \$6.00 per is carried on in the county. cwt., hogs \$16 to \$20 cwt., eggs 50 to gram will be carried on in the local 60c per dozen, wheat \$2.00 to \$2.25 groups through a local woman who

per bu., wool 50 to 55c lb. Mr. Clark said it appeared that munity Farm Bureau. If this has not farmers couldn't agree on prices been done in your Community Farm wanted. That, observed the farmers, Bureau it should be done soon, as the

is a strong argument for a Farm Bu- women's activities program cannot reau large enough to represent all function to any great degree until the

together. Discussion on school situ-ation. Appointed a committee of 3 to meet with school commissioner to index to the tormissioner to at a letter was sent Mr. James Mill-difference of the tormissioner to a letter was sent Mr. James Mill-difference of the tormissioner to a letter was sent Mr. James Mill-difference of the tormissioner to a letter was sent Mr. James Mill-difference of the tormissioner to a letter was sent Mr. James Mill-difference of the tormissioner to a letter was sent Mr. James Mill-difference of the tormissioner to the tormissioner to the tormissioner to a letter was sent Mr. James Mill-difference of the tormissioner to the tormissioner to the tormissioner tormissioner to the tormissioner tormissi tormissioner . John Lucas, iken thanking him for his support of been protected by price rises, yhile will be set up as soon as county Bertha Fredericks and Opal Johnson the bill in the state senate which lower than when the war began Stanley Powell discussed the work sentative to the Advisory the Farm Bureau does in represent- The Advisory Council will be a pro--21. Discussion was "How to get ing the farm viewpoint in the legisla- gram planning and coordinating ture, where farmer members are out group. It will meet several times Hospital Service. Wrote senator and Decided that if each one would go out numbered. As an example, recently, during the year. The member of the Michigan Farm having farm trucks exempted from Bureau board of directors who is exempted from legislation proposed tion, and bring him to a meeting, this the provisions of two bills which chosen by the Farm Bureau women would have imposed commercial of the state will be t would be helpful. Garfield, Newaygo-32. Andy Chris-tenson, county board member reported on the last board meeting. Mr. Feller reported on the conference on rural would have required farmers to paint has attended several national meet on truck side the name of owner, ings in her capacity as state chairtruck specifications, etc. Mr. Powell man of the Michigan Farm Bureau

MICHIGAN ASS'N OF FARMER CO-OPS IS A MERGER

The Michigan Ass'n of Farmer Coperatives, a public relations, educational and action group and a department of the Michigan Farm Bureau was announced March 21.

The Association is the merger of two groups: (1) Co-operative Public and Labor Relations Service for Michigan farm co-operatives, and (2) the Mich-igan Co-operative Council, a group organized in the fall of 1944 to co operate with the National Ass'n of Cooperatives and others in fighting at tacks on co-operatives, such as that launched by the National Tax Equal-The Co-operative Public ity Ass'n. The Co-operative Public and Labor Relations Service is in its third year. Both operated as depart-ments of the Farm Bureau. Both groups, having largely the same cooperatives as members, thought it advisable to merge and carry out a joint program as the Michigan Ass'n of Farmer Co-operatives. Membership of the Ass'n includes

Michigan Live these state ass'ns: Michigan Live Stock Exchange, Michigan Potato Growers Exchange, Farm Bureau Fruit Products Co., Detroit Packing Co., Michigan Farm Bureau, Northland Co-op Federation, Copper Country Co-op Enterprises, Cherry Growers, Michigan Elevator Exchange Inc. Michigan Milk Producers Assn, Farm Bureau Services, Inc., and 90 local farmers co-operative elevators, farm supplies, and creameries.

The Michigan Ass'n of Farmer Co operatives will work to acquaint the general public, the legislature and Congress with the true nature of farm co-operatives, and how they benefit both producers and consumers.

The Ass'n will work to the end that state and national co-operative laws harm co-operatives. It holds that farm co-operatives should not be taxed on savings effected for patrons and distributed to them.

'The Ass'n will endeavor to-furnish

Further organization and develop-ment of the program of the Associa-ted Women of the Michigan Farm with a view to suggesting ways for welding them together so as to pres-Bureau is getting under way with the ent a united front in meeting problems which concern co-operatives.

The Ass'n is directed by an administrative council, named by the co-operatives which are subscribing members. The council dervies its authority from the board of directors of the Michigan The program will be carried on Farm Bureau. Administrative coun-

cil officers are: Chairman, W. E. Phillips, Elevator Exchange: vice-chairman, Fred Hibst, Potato Growers Exchange; executive sec'y-treas., C. L. Brody, Farm Bur-Each County Farm Bureau is being eau; ass't sec'y, J. F. Yaeger, Farm Bureau.

Directors-W. E. Phillips, Fred Hibst; A. J. Rogers, Cherry Growers, Inc.; O. R. Gale, Farm Bureau Fruit Products Co.; C. E. Buskirk, Michigan Farm Bureau; Roy Ward, Farm Bureau Services. Inc., Howard Simmons, The pro-Milk Producers Ass'n; Frank Oberst, Live Stock Exchange; Charles Nurmi, Northland Co-op Federation; John should be appointed by every Com-Pokela, Copper Country Coop Enter-prises; Roman Boom, Ruth Farmers Elevator Co.; G. S. Coffman, Cold-water Dairy Co.; Andrew Lohman, Hamilton Farm Bureau; Tom Berghouse, Falmouth Co-operative Ass'n,

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Brody Calls Meeting On Boxcar Shortage The transportation committee of the Nat'l Council of Farmer Co-ops met at Washington, April 5, at the call of Chairman C. L. Brody to ask

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the ODT for additional boxcars, trucks us get more and tires for shipment of spring farm supplies and to move farm products. Fertilizer manuacturers have been getting one-third the boxcars they need.





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compose the committee. Dayton, Newaygo-23. Committee Agriculture.

report on purchasing of dishes and chairs for group meetings. Announced for trucks.

Twin Lakes, Grand Traverse-21. The picture, "The Science of the Pro-duction of Milk" was shown.

Bloomingdale, Van Buren-75. During the discussion on schools it was suggested that city children should be taught a little about the country and country children should be taught a little about city life,

West Delhi, Ingham-16. New group organized this month.

Omena, Leelanau-28. We believe individual members do not take enough part in the meeting. Group hospitalization will be explained at the next meeting

Augusta, Washtenaw-44, Our box social was very successful. Voted to donate the \$20 earned to the Club-

mobile of the Farm Bureau Women. Sheridan, Huron-33. Robert Richardson explained the Council of Veteran's Affairs of which he is chairman for Huron County. We voted to cussed.

support the Huron County Council of Veteran's Affairs.

South Fabius, St. Joseph-23. Topic eral circulation. Asks that the supdiscussed was, "How to Maintain a Rural Sunday School". Great inter-for choice, hand-picked beans deliverest was shown and plans made to ed to local elevators.

Pleasanton, Manistee N 17. Mr. present the topic to other groups. We sent a basket of fruit to Harry Iverson reported that board of supervisors has made testing for Bangs Everett, a wounded soldier at Percy disease compulsory in Manistee coun Jones Hospital.

Genesee No. 1, Genesee-26. Sec ty Harley Gillespie reported that 61% retary read letters from Senator Vanof the dairy farmers gave 1c per pound denberg and Representative Black of batterfat in June towards advertis ng of their products. This group has a legislative committee to act on pend-

Ravenna, Muskegon-15. Romaine DeCamp discussed farm accounts and ing legislation.

Laketon, Fruitland, Dalton, Muskegstressed the need for farmers to keep record of income and expense. on-23. Cedar met with us at the hom of Mr. and Mrs. James Mulally. Chair-Peninsula No. 1, Grand Traverse-14. Group donated \$5.00 to Farm Bu- man Hans Agard introduced 8 new

members. We wired Stanley Powell reau Women's Clubmobile. East Orleans, Ionia-38. Compul- asking him to oppose HR 114 which sory testing of cattle for Bangs dis- would require farmers to identify

We favor the bill, their trucks with lettered information discussed. Resolution sent to Commissioner of and to equip them with flares, flags, etc., as do commercial trucks. Agriculture. New Era, Oceana-13. A problem guson of Cedar group presented the

here is work clothing. Could some- legislative information for March. California, Branch-We have a thing be worked out so that men and ecord membership of 83, which was women could get needed work celebrated with a campaign victory clothes? West Grant, Oceana-19. February dinner March 14. Jack Yaeger spoke

was our anniversary month. Mrs. on the work done by the Farm Bureau Grasmeyer read an interesting his- in getting better prices for farm products. Agreed that we need more tory of our first year. Vergennes, Kent-17. Group dis- publicity for farm problems, more ad-

cussed pending legislation on safety vertising for Michigan farm products. Southwest Oakland, Oakland-We so informed.

living which he attended in Grand

Rapids, recently. Stevens District, Barry-16 ... New roup organized during March.

Bell District, Barry-17. Question for discussion was, "Who Should Con-trol Agriculture after the War?" De-trol Agriculture after the War?" De-

control his own business.

consumer receives the benefit, he should pay the fee. Kent City, Kent. New group organ- brought other farmers as guests.

meeting regularly. Group hospitaliza- Lamm and Irving Hawkes were the tion and membership have been dis | committee that organized the meet-

W. Fer-

Pinconning, Bay-131. Resolution sent to state Farm Bureau for gen-

its total 45,000 families.

said Farm Bureau groups should be women. prompt with the resolutions regarding

The threads in our paper money Don Welch, manager of the Litch- formerly made of silk, are now made field Co-operative Creamery, said that of dyed cotton.

cided that the organized farmer should Farm Bureau Services, farm supplies service of the Farm Bureau, returns Swan Creek & James, Saginaw-32. patronage dividends to the creamery Discussed resolution passed by Albee- in stock. The creamery in turn in-Spaulding group on the payment of a cludes such dividends in the prefermilk inspection fee. Group not in red stock dividend which it issues to favor of the tax, feeling that as the its patrons.

The meeting opened with a potluck supper at 100F hall. Members ized during December. Have been Dewey Stratton, chairman, Donald ing .-- Mrs. Donald Lamm, sec'y.

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to promote the contruction of rural hospitals and medical facilities, such

as laboratories, clinics, diagnostic centers, and public health centers. Such hospitals and facilities, said the quate provisions should be made for

maintenance before the grants are made. The Farm Bureau said it

market infor

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er interests.

Michigan Farm Bureau directors **Living Must Balance** on March 28 advised Michigan mem bers of Congress that they would supcertain conditions the Burton-Hill bill in the senate, S-191,

Briar Hill Farm, Carleton, Monroe County

essential to the welfare of all. Through economic disparity it is denied a home environment that would encourage rural people to continue. It costs far Others are indifferent. I have con-

more to have running water and a farm life in comparison to urban livfully equipped bath room in the coun-A national conference was called last October and the problem of agriand cities.

Research, invention and study have warranted a continuation of the study made modern conveniences possible in each state so far as possible. Michfor farm folks, but the farm income igan's three day conference was held has been too small to provide for their

in Grand Rapids in January. Since that been held. It is hoped that similar and communities whereby rural and

national life. For share of his father's estate to the MRS.WAGAR.

degree. There has been the thought that to made good a person must go into new territory. Our country folks naturaly went to the city. Our schools have not been operated

or rural upbuilding; as a rule teach-

ers are not rural minded and have no Only three-fourths of the farms are particular interest in the community owned by those who live on them. where they teach. Neither are the Many of them are far from being free majority of ministers in rural churches from debt. Many farms are occupied familiar with the things that affect by someone engaged in industry to country living. Both positions are whom farming is of only secondary stepping stones to something more interest. Others are the play places attractive and not as a place to be of city folks with a hobby, or a demade permanently better and one sire to evade income tax. It behooves they would prefer not to leave. everyone who wants America to re-

concerned over preserving the fertilgives serious thought to what we are ity of the soil and stopping erosion, heading into. yet it has been guilty of allowing the

numan element of rural life to be exploited and depleted in a way that at last is alarming. same economic plane with industry

this misunderstanding of values be-Farm people should have equal optween country and urban living to portunities with all other groups for continue. There comes a point when abnormal conditions in either group satisfactory education, church privileges, health protection, library facilwill in time reflect upon the other. ities, a chance for vacations, travel 34% of Michigan's population is and recreation. They are entitled to rural, one-half of which is on farms a comfortable home with the common and one-half in country towns and run of conveniences. villages. That means that only 17%

of our state's population grows the interest on his investment in the same ratio as all others, the farmer great food production we hear so much about. This production is of can once in a while sit under his own greater variety than can be found in vine and tree and enjoy the view of growing grain or the beauty of a What about the standard of living country sunset and feel truly thankful for this small group which supplies

that his life can be spent with nature's God. To attain these corrections farm

group of this type to be the first to folks must be tolerant, hopeful, and understanding in their thinking. They of life, but surveys do not bear that must give true appreciation to the

out. To be sure, 81% of the farms have some semblance of an automobile, not so much for pleasure but as a

ed to hear two speakers at the last meeting. Miss Frances Britton, home economics teacher at Niles high school, spoke on "Present Day Styles

shown by Mr. Tinker of the Michigan

Berrien-The annual banquet Feb.

26 at Galien was attended by over

200 juniors, seniors, and people in-

Time to Do Something About Tent Caterpillars Editor, Michigan Farm News: pole. such as tree trimmers use. When I go on an errand with the car in the tain number of trees on his roadside,

I am writing to see if anything can be done through your editorial columns to stimulate individual and or-

ganization effort, both private and public, towards controlling the annual plague of tent caterpillar worms. Each summer they are destroying more trees, at least in southern Michigan Many say something should be done.

ducted a one-woman campaign for community interest, and for interest try where each farm is a single unit from public officials in controlling than it does to tap a water main or a this pest. So far I haven't accom-sewer provided by the public in towns plished anything in those fields. I am old that no help is available.

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installation and maintenance. There's another phase to the eco time several dis-trict meetings have bearing on the lack of cash in the country. Out of every 1,000 children hoped that similar meetings can be arranged for coun-ties and townshing ties and townships and eventually for a home. We are told by reliable authorities that the whereby rural and urban people may of 15 years is about \$2,000. When he have a better un-derstanding of the ment with him and leaves nothing in ment with him and leaves his invest-

the last 30 years city and leaves nothing to offset the there has been a gradual shifting of rural loss. This amounts to a direct population cityward to an alarming drainage from the rural areas of sev-

country is to remain what everyone hopes it will continue to be.

The country has come to be much tain its high place in democracy, to

of the world, we must have a satisfactory country life which is on the

When he is paid for his labor and

Naturally, we would expect a vital

for farm business; 71% their hope for a more equitable nahave the house lighted by electricity; tional life. Both groups should "de unto others as they would have done bath tubs; 24% have refrigerators; into them.'

eral billions of dollars every decade There seems to be a universal practice of taking away from the farm but no appreciable putting back. Such practices cannot continue if our open

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BUREAU ACTIVITIES the Eau Claire Fruit Exchange spoke "Repairs of Machinery". By MISS GLENNA LOOMAN on Wheatfield (Ingham)-The seniors

State Publicity Chairman, Juniors, Holland R. 2, Michigan were entertained by the juniors at a meeting February 26. Movies were

Bay-Bay County Junior Farm Bureau in co-operation with the 4-H Clubs presented the annual Home Talent Show at Pinconning on March 6 and at Bay City on March 8 and 9 to capacity audiences. Munger Community group will present Wilbur Braun's comedy, "Sunbonnet Jane of Sycamore Lane" at the Munger town

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terested in farm activities. Guest speaker was Bob Addy, head of the feed department of the Michigan Farm Bureau Services at Lansing. hall on April 5 and 6. The Bay and North Ottawa - The meeting of Saginaw groups have started a bowlearly March featured a box social that

conservation dep't.

vas a great success. Branch-The annual banquet was Kalamazoo - Our members have eld February 22. Delegates from been doing their part by working in Kalamazoo, Calhoun, St. Joseph and the check room on farm night at the Hillsdale counties attended. The guest local USO. At the March meeting Prospeaker was Robert M. Waddell of fessor Ball from Michigan State Cololdwater. ege spoke and showed slides on con

Newaygo-Junior and Senior Farm servation. Bureaus held a joint meeting March 6 in the Fremont Community Build-

Ingham Helps Set Mr. Victor Swanson and Mr. Koos Karnemaat spoke about the **Red Cross Record** Senior membership drive, Mr. Ben

Hennink spoke on the organization Ingham county rural groups, using and function of the Junior Farm Burthe Farm Bureau roll call for memeau, and Mr. C. Bolander, deputy comhership method of solicitation, raised missioner of agriculture of the State \$19,486.67 in the Red Cross drive of Michigan, described new things in March 5-6-7. The quota was \$15,000. Funds are still coming in. More than

South Custer-Plans were made to 800 people worked in the campaign. a pancake supper to raise money. Groups included the Grange, Farm Calhoun-The annual banquet was held March 1 in Marshall. There were Bureau, PTA'S village service clubs etc. Arthur Deyo, Farm Bureau roll call manager, directed the campaign. 200 present, with guests from Kalamatoo, St. Joseph, Branch, Hillsdale, and Groups and business interests joined Eaton counties. The Juniors prepared in extensive Red Cross newspaper and served the Victory dinner to 130 advertisements two weeks before the Sr. F. B. membership drive workers. Gerald Diamond, County drive. The money earned will go towards the Farm Bureau publicity director, was building of the community building. leader in this work. County

lonia-We are having a seed sell-Farm Bureau President ng contest. A hayride is part of our Charles H. Davis announced March 30 ext meeting. that Ingham's membership is 929. The 1945 goal was 858. West Berrien-On March 5th the

vest section met for the first time. Newly elected officers are: advisory, Nye; president, Max Petzke;

again at Robinson town hall.

Delbert E. Williams

secretary-treasurer, Stella Fotzke; assistant secretary, Mabel Krieger; pubmember of Branch County Farm licity chairman, Robert Pagel; camp Bureau, president in 1932-33. and chairman, George Malher. At our always a wifling worker, died suddenly one night in mid-March as he pre pared to leave a Farm Bureau meeting at Gilead Grange hall. He had just spoken on the need for farmers frandma," was presented at the Allen- to support their farm organizations and to discuss problems through their Community Farm Bureaus. Mr Williams was a member of Gilead

Hillsdale-Fourteen members of Grange for 65 years. He was active the North group went to Detroit, in community and church affairs. He March 9 to donate blood to the Red said that long ago he came to realize said that long ago he came to realize The Hillsdale County annual the great benefits that come to combanquet was held the evening of munities when farmers gather regu-March 14. The speaker was Lt. Hess larly to discuss the affairs and opporthe Percy Jones hospital. tunities of the people. Warren Wilmanager of the Batavia Co-Branch. Washtenaw, Calhoun and liams, Lenawee county guests were present. operative Co., is a son. Cass-Letters about the Junior

Farm Bureau activities will be sent - Michigan's salt and associated to members in the service to keep brine and chemical industries are Farm Bureau activities will be sent hem informed. We planned a dance located in Gratiot, Manistee, Mason, or March 24. Isabella, Midland, Saginaw, St. Clair, Central Berrien-We were privileg and Wayne counties.

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April Topic is Rural Health

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

By EVERETT YOUNG

Membership Relations & Education

Sub-Topic 2

Sub-Topic 1

HEALTH PROGRAMS, TYPES-HEALTH CONDITIONS IN OUR COMMUNITY-A study of conditions as they now exist; health programs Preventative programs, a study of types of Group Hospitalization, Socialed Medicine being carried out

ROLL CALL QUESTION - Name one thing which has been done in this community to help keep people healthier.

Suggested Methods-Use the panel. Panel members might include the county health commissioner, local doctor, a nurse, representative of Hospital Service, housewife, representative of hospital, recreation leader, etc. gram." Their job is to picture health facilities that exist in the community, and bring out health problems. Set time limit. Group participates in discussion. Use panel members as resource people in

general discussion. Questions for Discussion:

1. How do you rate the hospital service available to people in this community?

2. How do you rate doctors' services in this community?

3. How do you rate the communities attempts at preventative practices? 4. How do you rate medical practices, drug stores, pharmacists, etc.? 5. What improvements do you sug-

gest? Background Material - The Farm Security Administration found that poor health was a No. 1 cause of low farm income. Naturally low incomes are a major contributing factor to poor health. The two go hand in hand. The value of good mental and physical health to a human being's happiness cannot be over-estimated.

In spite of general recognition of the value of good health, very little planning on the part of the common person has been done. And much should be done to improve health standards in the United States. Shocking testimony given before the Senate Sub-committee on war-time health and education, by representatives of the Selective Service disclosed that out of 16 million men, over 4 million, aged 18-37, have been rejected as unfit for military service. Relatively high rejection rate is due to mental and emotional ailments. Nation-wide Selective Service figures show a higher rejection rate in rural areas than in urban areas.

The question of how serious the problem of health is in a community can only be determined by a study of conditions existing in the locality. The best authorities on local health problems are naturally the health officers, public health nurses, and physicians, The problem is what is to be done, who is going to do it, and how will the program be financed.

Factors which contribute to better health are institutions, physicians, a training program, and better health habits. Such health habits as dental care, surgical care, treatment of "communicable disease, etc., are areas that must be planned for.

Many farm, civic, labor and industrial organizations in this country are studying and planning for health. The most effective planning is that which is done in the local community. Recognition of a job to do with rePreventative programs, a study of ROLL CALL QUESTION-What improvement could be made in present

health programs to make for better ealth in this community? Suggested Method-A debate may be an interesting change. Use the topic "Resolved, that Federal Govern-

ment is morally obligated to assist in developing a socialized medical pro-This debate should bring out the benefits, pitfalls, and trend that such a program of socialized medicine would lead to. The subject is very controversial, and all phases and im plications of the program should *be horoughly aired. Used two sides, two

or three members each. Affirmative-Position for federal as istance. Will point out inadequacies of present practices. Explain socialzed medicines

Negative-Will not necessarily be atisfied with present system. May suggest changes other than Federal assistance. Show adverse features of ocialized medicine. May suggest improvements in present system or subtitution of something other than Fed-

eral aid Mechanics-Chairman defines topic Review rules of the debate. Time imits to be set both for constructive and rebuttal speeches. Affirmative speaks first on constructive speechesnegative speaks first on rebuttal.

Questions for Discussions: 1. Is health an individual, family ommunity or state function? 2. Who should own the health fa cilities-private, consumers of health ervices or the government? 3. What does socialized medicine

nean 4. What types of health organizaions are serving your community? Background Material—Health probems and program may be classified in many ways-preventive and curative nedicine-personnel and facilitiesprivate, co-operative and public health -hospitalization, surgical and medical service-individual and group financ-Physical and mental exercises ing. and rest, nutrition and climate also affect the health. The individual is

also concerned with dental care, invalidity, loss of income during illness and old age, and funeral services. During the past decade many types of group medical plans have been eveloped, such as:

1. Doctor-owned clinics, which is a plan of group practice combined with voluntary health insurance. The medical services may include house calls, office calls, diagnosis, medical treatment, and surgical services. The costs are paid in advance.

2. Insurance plans, which may be sponsored by groups of hospitals, by associations of doctors or by insurance companies. The insurance may cover (1) hospitalization, (2) sur gical operations, and (3) general medical treatment.

3. Government medical plans. Federal, state and local governments have been gradually drawn into the medica

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Farm Bureau Program In the Legislature in the House.

(Continued from page 1.) ment of Agriculture. Although the house committee on state affairs has not seen fit to call a hearing for those who are in favor of the bill, it has given an audience to the Michigan Farmers' Union, which appeared in opposition to the bill. The board of April 9. directors of the Michigan Farm Bureau, meeting at Farm Bureau headquarters in Lansing, March 26, reveiwed this situation thoroughly but would be optional.

and adopted a resolution re-emphasizing the Farm Bureau's support of this bill, and instructed Secretary-Manager C. L. Brody to do everything possible to secure its favorable report rom committee and passage in the

Schools—Several representatives of the Governor's Public Education Study Commission reported orally at a big hearing March 28 attended by senators, representatives and citizens interested in schools. Some of the

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recommendations of this study com- home rule mission are now under consideration school district reorganization commit-The proposal to establish in each to study and recommend. After that,

county a county school district re- nothing would happen unless each inorganization committee to study and dividual district affected took affirmrecommend possible changes in school ative action in that connection. district reorganization has been dispassage in the house Monday evening, It was amended in the house

Even in its original form, the pro- along this line during the present posal had a very large element of session.

because the county tee would have no authority except

The plan proposed is much more cussed at length in the house during safe from the standpoint of districts the past few days. It will be up for that do not wish to consolidate than are existing laws on this subject. However, there has been such wide committee of the whole so that the spread misinformation regarding the setting up of such a committee in recommendations of the Governor's any county would not be mandatory, study commission that it is quite

doubtful if anything will be done

Build Farm Bureaus In Osceola & Wexford Co's Osceola and Wexford County Farm Bureaus were organized during March and are engaged in building a membership to represent all parts of those Grand Traverse County, has transfer-counties.

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County Farm Bureau in Wexford Twelve communities ounty represented by 23 members in the meeting which launched the campaign for membership. Wexford Township Community Farm Bureau, formerly affiliated with the Farm Bureau in

Osceola began with the organiza-Wesley Hawley, Michigan Farm Bureau membership representative, has been assisting in the organization tion of Community Farm Bureau dis-cussion groups in Highland, Cedar, Hershey, Evart and Marion townships. Manton Community Farm Bureau of community and county Farm Burgroup sponsored the organization of a eau groups in the two counties.

WANTED **Portable Electric** The Insurance Department of the Michigan State Farm Bureau **Hot Water Heater** has many openings for agents to represent the State Farm Insurance Companies in Michigan. We would appreciate hearing from any of our Michigan Farm News readers if they are interested in talking the proposition over with one of our managers. Lightning Speed, portable electric It would be very helpful to us if any of our readers would suggest hot water heater, as illustrated, will the names of likely agent prospects in their nearby cities and towns. The remuneration is good. This is a particularly good bring 1 gallon of water to boiling in minutes. Use for quick heating of water for all purposes. Operates on 110 volt circuit. Buy at Farm INSURANCE DEP'T . MICHIGAN STATE FARM BUREAU Bureau stores and co-op Lansing, Michigan ass'ns. Retail price..... ACT NOW! The Strongest LINK in the Chain of Lime your sour fields now-do your part in our greater production towards all-out MICHIGAN war effort. EGGS & POULTRY PRODUCTS five years. **IS GRADING** For information - write or call Michigan Allied Poultry Industries, Inc. P. O. BOX 960 Mich. THE FRANCE STONE COMPANY **No Runts** among these grunts

A LOT of credit goes to our Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations where men spend their lives working out improved methods of breeding and feeding. For example, E. F. Ferrin, head of the swine division of the University of Minnesota, recently ran a feeding test with seven lots of pigs. He found that too small an amount of protein in the ration produces more runts. amount of protein in the ration produces more runts,

slower gains and less profit. All pigs in the test started at an average weight of

louse

spect to better health is the first step. Much can be done by local community discussion groups.

WKAR Farm Forum

Tune 850 on your dial. Every Monday, 1:00-1:30 P.M., E.W.T.,

Theme: Rural Health. April 2-Rural health conditions. April 9-Group health planning.

programs. April 23-National health condi-

tions. April 30-Socialized vs. private medicine.

Says OPA Not Helping The Butter Situation

The Michigan Farm Bureau board of directors on March 26 said that the D. C. shortage of butterfat and butter will (3) Co-operative hospital, where sidy to producers for whole milk above ids, Oklahoma. the OPA regulations effective April

value for butter could be reduced accordingly.

Farmers will not go against their better business judgment in disposing of their products and their labor, the directors said.

"Whether you be a man or a woman, you will never do anything in this world without courage. It is the greatest quality of the mind next to honor. -James A. Allen.



field to handle relief cases. 4. Co-operative associations. Co operative action in the field of medicine has usually been one of three types.

(1) Co-operative insurance. Premiums are paid monthly or quarterly bringing information on the discus-sion topic of the month. to cover costs of hospitalization, surgical operations, or medical services. The individual members usually use their own doctor. An example is the April 16-School and county health group Health Mutual of St. Paul, Minnesota.

(2) Co-operative health association with a clinic. Fees are paid regularly in advance. The association operates a clinic containing physicians, equipment for diagnosis and treatment re quired by members and their dependents, a laboratory, X-ray and other equipment. An example is the group Health Association of Washington

continue under revised OPA regula- complete hospitalization, surgery and tions effective April 1. The Farm medical services are performed for Bureau recommended an increase of members. Members finance the equip-6 cents per pound in the wholesale ped hospital and pay fees in advance. price for butter, and an increase of 25 An example is the Farmers' Union cents per hundredweight in the sub- Co-operative Association of Elk Rap-

It seems as if we are developing 1 to restore a balance which will assure the volume of butterfat wanted. operative and public medicine which As that is accomplished, the point has been very efficient in the Scandinavian countries.

(Special thanks to Dr. Irma Gross of Michigan State College and Mar-jorie Delvaen of Michigan Department of Health for resource material.)

Berrien Farm Bureau **Starts Publication**

August 4, 1944 the shortage of baskets was at its worst says the new Berrien County Farm Bureau News. Dealers had reduced their sales to 3 ozen per customer, and the line-up of cars was a half a mile long. Some farmers were in line 12 hours or more to get 3 dozen baskets. The County Farm Bureau sent two men south to get baskets. Nine carloads came into Benton Harbor and were sold at cost, ten dozen to the load. Berrien's new paper will be issued from time to time to 2,701 members. The current edition is devoted to County, Community and Junior activities. A complete financial statement for the year ending Jan.

Notice to County and **Community Secretaries**

15 is included.

The Michigan Farm News will ap preciate notification that any member is not receiving his paper. Please report also any irregularity in delivery, such as duplicate copies, wrong RFD, error in name, etc. We do our best to have everything right, but we are not infallible. A postcard will bring a correction.

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ment which was tankage and soybean meal in equal parts with 10 % alfalfa meal to supply adequate amounts of B vitamins. Some lots got a E. F. Ferris

high-protein ration (18% of the total feed); others were cut down to 15 % and 12 % protein. As pigs get heavier, they need less protein, so in some lots the amount of protein was reduced as they gained in weight.

The best results came from an 18 % protein ration until the pigs reached 100 pounds, and 15 % protein after that weight. The hogs on low-protein rations made smaller gains and were more uneven in individual weights when the test ended. By just such careful experi-ments, the "know-how" of hog raising has reached its present efficiency.



SULPHUR FOR LAMB COCCIDIOSIS

Coccidiosis in lambs may be successfully prevented by the addition of ground crude sulphur to their feed in proportions ranging from $\frac{1}{2}$ % to $1\frac{1}{2}$ % of the ration, claims the Idaho Wool Growers Bulletin. Effectiveness of this sulphur treatment has been demonstrated by the U.S.D.A. working in cooperation with large lamb feeders, the report states.

these simple rules:

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LOST! A MILLION EXTRA ANNUAL MEAT RATIONS

Approximately 200 million pounds of meat a year are being

wasted as a result of bruises, crippling and death losses of live-

stock in transit to market, according to H. R. Smith of the

National Livestock Loss Prevention Board. This Board has

found that all of us who have to do with the handling of live-

stock can help save much of this needed meat by following

1. Inspect chutes, trucks and cars for nails and rough corners.

2. Do not overload or jam animals. Partition mixed loads of

4. When trucking, start and stop with caution; watch for bumps,

By observing these simple rules, we can all cooperate in cutting

down this loss of a million extra meat rations a year; and we

can help contribute to the nation the additional meat supplies

5. Check your load frequently. Livestock shift in transit.

3. Never beat or prod with whips or clubs.

ruts and sharp curves.

which it needs so greatly right now!

50 pounds and were self-fed without pasture for 14 weeks. All seven lots received the same kind of protein supple-





feelers so they can find their way about in muddy, silt-laden rivers. Most of that mud and silt is rich topsoil from once fertile farmlands. The type of soil that should still be producing 50 to 100 bushels of corn.

Catfish can't use that fertile mud to raise corn, and that's too bad. Because right now, America needs all the corn it can produce. There's no need to let catfish have any part of your farm. Your topsoil can be saved. Soil conservation practices hold the raindrops where they fall, control water erosion, stop gullying, stabilize the soil. The Agricultural Extension Service of your State University will be glad to help you work out a special program to fit your farm. .

Through soil conservation practices fertility is maintained, crops make better yields, carrying capacity of pastures is increased, more and cheaper feeds are provided for livestock. All this means more money in the farmer's pocket. Swift & Company believes that whatever helps livestock helps all of us-producer, meat packer and consumer. To you as a producer, we earnestly suggest that an investias a producer, we can a gation of soil conservation F.M. Simpson. land management may be

worth your while. Agricultural Research Dept.

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Supplement their spring ration of grass with grain and protein supplement mixture, and hay ... grain and protein supplement for milk production, hay for necessary roughage. This tonic is sure to put new spring in the step of an undernourished cow.

The best indication of contentment in the dairy herd is the butterfat test of your milk!

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A Martha Logan Recipe for PARTY-STYLE MEAT PIE

To serve four, buy 1/2 pound of table-ready meat loafeither minced ham, New England cooked specialty or bologna. Dice. (Or, if you prefer, use 11/2 cups of cubed beef.) Mix 2 tablespoons flour with 1 teaspoon salt and dash of pepper. Dredge cubes of meat in flour mixture. Brown in 2 tablespoons of melted fat. Add 1 medium onion which has been diced, and brown, Combine with 1/2 cup each of cooked green peas and cooked sliced carrots. Cover with hot water or leftover gravy. Pour into a deep, wide casserole. Top with mashed potatoes. Bake in a hot oven (450° F.) about 20 minutes; or until potatoes are browned. Serve with a fresh fruit salad, hot rolls and dessert.



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