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45,000 tons annually. Storage capacity 17,600 tons.

completely with labor saving machinery.

Architect's drawing of the fertilizer manufacturing plant to be built at Saginaw

by Farm Bureau Services, Inc. The manufacturing capacity will be 35,000 to

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EDITORIAL

The Aim is to Destroy

The destruction of farm co-operatives has always been the real aim of the National Tax Equality Association. We can expect it to continue to launch new ideas directed to that end.

Its latest attack would reduce co-operatives to a small and ineffective class of competitors. NTEA suggests that that state and national statutes be changed in the case of farm co-operatives to limit the membership to persons. That would prohibit local co-operatives from owning a state or regional marketing exchange. It would prohibit such state co-operatives as the Farm Bureau Services, Inc., and its associated local co-operatives and individual members from organizing and participating in ownership of such regional and national manufacturing and purchasing co-operatives as the National Farm Machinery Company, United Co-operatives, Inc., the Farm Bureau Milling Company and others.

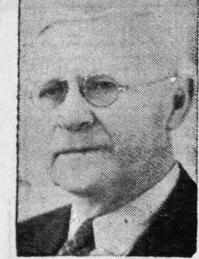
It is plain to be seen that NTEA is an implacable enemy of the farmer's right to extend his farm business through co-operative effort.

SERVICES HAS BIGGEST YEAR; **RE-ELECTS WARD**

Roy D. Ward of Dowagiac was re elected president and Carl E. Buskirk of Paw Paw was re-elected vice president of the Farm Bureau Services at its annual meeting for the stockhold-

ers at Lansing, December 11. Mr. Ward is manager of the Dowagiac Farmers Co-operative Ass'n, and lations program. Mr. Buskirk is president of the Michigan Farm Bureau.

About 500 farm people attended the meeting. They included the representatives of 153 farmers' co-operatives which are shareholders in Farm Bureau Services, and quite a number of the nearly 3,000 farmers who are individual shareholders in Farm Bu reau Services under its patrons relations program. (This is a program that is being expanded to take in all patrons of Farm Bureau Services, as



ROY D. WARD

reported upon in another article in this edition.) Many of those who could not attend the meeting exer cised their right to proxy voting as provided in the notice if meeting.

The Services reported a co-operative supplies service of nearly \$10,000,000 for the year ending August 31. More than \$600,000 was raised through the sale of debentures to farm co-operatives and farmers for building a fertilizer manufacturing plant of 35,000 to 45,000 tons annually.

The Services reported a great in crease in business in its farm machin- and distributors in the moving of proery and electrical appliances up 50%; seed, feed, fertilizer, up 12%; petroleum products, up 25%; and insecticides. Steel products such as fence and Bureau Fruit Products Co., remarked roofing sales increased 291% above that many farmers feel that the crop

on plans to improve service for 1947. growers suffer from publication of In addition to Mr. Ward and Mr. production estimates. Buskirk, the board of directors includes: Thomas Berghouse, manager that many growers feel that way, but of Falmouth Co-operative Company; they do not realize that the big buyers Alfred Roberts, manager of Co-opera-have their own way of getting crop have their own way of getting crop estimates, and they get them before tive Elevator & Milling Co. at Pigeon; L. D. Kaechele, manager of Caledonia Farmers Elevator; W. E. Phillips of Crop reporting service.

Decatur, Ward Hodge of Snow, Lloyd

Working through con Ruesink of Adrian, and J. E. Treiber of Unionville, all farmers, and directors of the Michigan Farm Bureau. They representing that organization on the Services board. Clark L. Brody is executive secretary and

Clarence Reid Commended For Farm Bureau Work

recently as an officer of the Michigan and St. Clair County Farm Bureaus, was commended recently in a resolution adopted by directors of the St. A second institute will be held at mond Wurzel.

Mr. Reid retired from the state or- during January. ganization's board of directors at the A dairy day and program is also convention in Lansing, November 11. being planned at Saranac,
He is a former President of the County and State Farm Bureaus.

TWO MORE START ON PATRONS **RELATIONS PLAN**

Four County Co-operative Ass'n at Marcellus, Cass county, and Chapman Elevator Company at Lennon, Shiawassee county started January 1 to keep records of patrons purchases of Farm Bureau supplies and services in the Farm Bureau Services patrons re-

The two dealers are the first of 50 or more whom Services hopes to add to the program during 1947. Eleven co-operatives and dealers adopted the plan in 1946 in behalf of hetir farmer patrons.

Since all the savings or margins of ices, Inc., belong to the patrons, the freight station. ices to enable it to return direct to dividend due him on his purchases of the fertilizer plant program.

Farm Bureau supplies and services.

Taking part in the ground breaking Farm Bureau supplies and services.

Under the plan the first \$10.00 of patronage dividend due a patron is ecutive secretary of Farm Bureau paid to him in intererst bearing Farm Bureau Services debentures. The 11th follar earned buys him a share of Services common voting stock. All further patronage dividends are payable in dentures. At present the old called in and paid in cash.

At present there are several thousand holders of Services common stock.
These include 153 farmers' co-operatives, several of which have installed the patrons relations record system for Services; others are preparing to do so. The co-operatives have redistributed the Services patronage dividends to their patrons. The remainder are farmers who have come under the patrons relations plan.

Crop Reporting Service Guards Farmers' Market

the government's crop reporting service be abolished?", Porter R. Taylor, of Washington, American Farm Bureau marketing specialist, told an agricultural committee in Lansing that he didn't think it should be.

"We in agriculture need to know co-operate and work with the buyers ducts from our farms into consump-Taylor explained. tion.

C. N. Hinman, manager of Farm any pre-war year in this department, reports encourage big buyers to start All of the departments are working beating down prices to producers and

Mr. Taylor replied that he knew the farmers do through the federal

Working through commodity committees in each state, the Farm Bur-eau now has perfected crop reporting services that are comparable to the private services maintained by large buyers of agricultural products. The Farm Bureau uses this service to encourage retailers to launch sales campaings to move big crops.

Ionia Co. Sponsors Farmers Institutes

The regular farmers institute pro Clarence J. Reid, Avoca, who retired gram sponsored by the Ionia County

Clair County Farm Bureau, December of the Farm Bureau and the Lake Odessa, under the sponsorship of the Farm Bureau and the Lake Odessa Canning Company sometime

Buy Farm Bureau Feeds.

BREAK GROUND FOR FERTILIZER PLANT AT SAGINAW

FERTILIZER PLANT

TRAM BUREAU STRUFFERDING

SAGINAW

Dec. 26 officials of the Farm Burau Services broke ground for the erection of the fertilizer manufacturing plant pictured above on a 9 acre tract east of Saginaw at the intersection of the New York Central railroad and the Outer Belt drive,

First on the job are power shovels

o prepare the site properly. About

March it is hoped that construction may be started. The Services has secured a permit from the CPA at Washington for the structure. It is estimated that it will require upwards of six months for building. The working force may reach as many as 200 men at some points in the program. In the meantime, one of two raiload sidings has been laid. e used first to bring in building material. Since the plant is located outside of the railroad switching disthe co-operative Farm Bureau Serv- trict for Saginaw, it calls for a new The railroad has patrons relations program is a system named it Harger station. Fred J. of record keeping provided by Serv- Harger, production and manufacturing manager of Farm Bureau Services, every farmer patron the patronage has been a key man in developing

> ceremony were: Clark L. Brody, ex-Services; J. F. Yaeger, ass't executive secretary; Fred J. Harger, production and manufacturing manager; Boyd A Rainey, distribution manager; Einar Ungren, advertising manager.

er issues of preferred stock are being OUR BUSINESS IS called in and paid in cash.

"If our economic philosophy and institutions of democracy are to command the respect of other nations, it must be proven beyond a shadow of doubt that their applications does produce for the great masses of people a high level of economy and social well being", Edward A. O'Neil, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, told more than 12,000 dele-In answer to the question, "Should gates, who registered from 45 states and Puerto Rico, at the 28th annual meeting of the AFBF convention at

The American way of life, a relatively free economy in which private interprise has a wide scope for development, is on trial before the what national production is so we can other nations of the world, Mr. O'Neal said. With the trend of Great Britian toward the state-controlled economy, the United States is "pretty much alone" as proponent of the free ecnomy principal.

We must follow the domestic poliies "that will maintain economic balance among groups and lead to abundant production and consumption of goods and services and constantly rising standards of living."

In agreeing with previous speakers Mr. O'Neal said that the farm price bonanza is near an end, and after studying to rise and crash of farm prices in the first World War period, there is every likelihood that farm prices will slump this time, too.

The 90 per cent of parity bill passed by Congress, he pointed out, furnishes a stop-loss cushion to give farmers a chance to adjust themselves to peacetime operations. The Farm Bureau will insist that the "ever normal granary commodity loans and price stablization features of the old farm program be continued" as a further guard against depressing surpluses and crushing low prices.

Farm Costs Rise 60 Pct. During War

The cost of farm operations in the United States jumped about 60 per cent from 1940 to 1945, according to the United States Department of Agriculture. Wage rates are three times

Governor Sigler Proclaims January Co-op Month

TOLTZ, KING & DAY, INC.

Michigan and the nation are hunting for a way to stabilize our economy, to give consumers of this country's vast production fair prices and necessary services.

This search underlines the importance of co-operation and understanding of each other's problems by both producers and consumers, whose needs today are so inter-woven.

For example, the farm dwellers, who make up nearly half our population, are consumers of much of our industrial production. The city dwellers are dependent for their food, their clothing and other necessities on the raw materials produced in the

In Michigan, nearly 60 per cent of the farm families are practicing co-operation already, through their membership in more than 200 co-operative enterprises. Last year, Michigan's farm co-operatives did \$161,450,000 worth of business; and farmers, through their co-operative memberships; increased their buying power by \$4,000,000.

The objectives of these agricultural co-operatives are to improve the economic and social position of the family-sized farm through efficient production and marketing, and to give the consumer the benefit of improved quality, better business methods, and reasonable prices. The effect is to help stabilize industry.

Therefore I, Kim Sigler, Governor of the State of Michigan, proclaim January as co-operative month in Michigan and ask all Michigan citizens, in the city and in the country, to find a common basis for understanding and appreciation of the aims of the co-operative movement.

LANSING BUSINESS MEN GUEST AT MAFC

sociation of Farmer Co-operatives at Bureau discussion groups. The proa farmer-city businessmen's dinner at gram has been hailed by state and the Hotel Olds, January 3, as part of national adult education specialists as the second annual convention of the one of the outstanding developments farm group.

The dinner was the setting for a debate on a proposal by the National Tax Equality Association that "cooperatives should be required to pay income taxes on all patronage refunds". Ben C. McCabe of Minneapolis, president of the tax equality association, spoke for the affirmative. R. Wayne Newton of Chicago, manager of the National Association of Co-operatives, presented the negative. Several hundred accepted invitations. cussion program is sponsored by At the business session, John H. Davis of Washington, secretary of the has several full time people respon-National Council of Farmers Co-oper- sible for carrying out of the state-wide atives, spoke on the world food problem and farmers co-operatives. Mr. has been given by Michigan colleges.

Davis was one of the representatives

Community Farm Bureau groups of American farmers at the recent average about 20 people per group.

Arthur Howland, extension econ-omist at Michigan State College, and that approaches the 100 mark. The ducted. Edwin Steffen, legal counsel for the original Community Farm Bureau farm group, discussed the defects in grew out of a 12 family circle which

Waldo E. Phillips of Decatur, chair- out of the year. man, said that the organization is general service program for ten state and regional farmers co-operative Hospital Ward marketing and purchasing organizations, and 177 local farmers co-op- three-bed ward at the Gerber Memeratives which assemble, process and market almost the full range of Michigan farm products. He said that 255 farm co-operatives in Michigan are volume of \$161,000,000. It has been County. estimated, he said, that the co-opera-

and new address, together with name the raising of money to buy an oxygen paint, drapes and a new oil heater. more than the average of the 1935. of County Farm Bureau in which you tent for the hospital. Mrs. Terresa Hanson of Fremont dinote than the average of the 1935.

Mrs. Terresa Hanson of Fremont dinoted the 1946 project as its chairmunity center with more than 140
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man. Mrs. Robert Jackstiet of Reeman is the 1947 chairman. Other ofman is the 1948 chairman. Other ofman i P. O. Box 960, Lansing, Mich.

DISCUSSION GROUPS ATTRACT STATE NAT'L ATTENTION

20 000 Michigan Farm Bureau men merce and service clubs of Lansing bers participate in the once a month in rural life and living.

The Community Farm Bureau dis cussion program enables farm people to discuss and take action on matters of local, state and national importance.

Visitors from Ohio, Indiana, Min nesota, Wisconsin, and Illinois have visited Michigan Farm Bureau headquarters in Lansing to secure information on the organization and supervision of the discussion program.

The Community Farm Bureau dis the Michigan Farm Bureau which administration. Valuable assistance

Michigan laws dealing with co-oper-atives.

carrying on a public relations and Newaygo Co. Furnishes

The raising of money to furnish a

The money for the project was raised the summer and late fall. chiefly through the sale of birthday calenders.

Counties Will Campaign This Month

First Reports Good in Roll Call to Increase Michigan Farm Bureau Membership to 51,500 or More in 1947

Several thousand volunteer membership workers in 38 County Farm Bureaus will take part in Roll Call campaigns this month in the general effort to increase the Michigan Farm Bureau membership to 51,500 families.

The major part of the job will be done in January. Ten northern Michigan counties conducted their annual membership campaigns during December. Four will do the job in February.

The annual Roll Call for membership is a gigantic task. It involves calling upon the present membership of 46,100 farm families for a renewal of the membership for another year. Ten to twelve thousand additional families have joined the Farm Bureau as new members for several years past.

The membership campaign is carried out by the County Farm Bureaus, with assistance from the state organization. The county board engages a Farm Bureau member as Roll Call manager. He finds an ass't manager for each quarter of the county, and those men and women recruit teams of volunteer workers. The county publicity chairman handles the pre-campaign publicity and advertising in the newspapers, and does other preparatory work. On the appointed day, all workers start out, determined to make their county goal.

The 38 County Farm Bureaus which will send their membership workers out in January to invite families into the Farm Bureau are:

Jan. 6, week of: Eaton, Hillsdale, Ionia, Isabella, Saginaw. Jan. 13, week of: Allegan, Barry, Calhoun, Huron, Lapeer, Livingston, Monroe, Sanilac, Shiawassee, Van Buren, Wayne.

Jan. 20, week of: Bay, Clinton, Genesee, Gratiot, Ingham, Lenawee, Macomb, Oakland, Ottawa, St. Clair, St. Joseph, Tuscola.

Jan. 27, week of: Cass, Jackson, Kent, Mason, Mecosta, Midland, Montcalm, Muskegon, Newaygo, Oceana, Osceola.

The week of February 3 Kalamazoo, Branch and Washtenaw County Farm Bureaus will have their membership campaigns. Berrien starts the week of February 17.

Ten counties in northern Michigan conducted their campaigns during December. They are: Alpena, Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Emmet, Manistee, Missaukee, Přesque Isle, Wexford.

First to make their membership goals for 1947 were Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix and Emmet County Farm Bureaus.

FARM-TO-PROSPER were the guests of the Michigan Asmeetings of 705 Community Farm meetings of 705 Community Farm meetings of The necession groups. The necession groups are not provided in the once a month meeting of the Michigan As-TO BE HELD JAN. 30

Farm Bureaus of Muskegon, Ottawa Oceana, Newaygo and Mason counties are expected to be well represented at the Round-Up in Muskegon, Thursday, January 30 climaxing the annual West Michigan Farm To Prosper contest

onducted during 1946. The event will be held in the central campus auditorium with dinner at noon and an afternoon of speaking and purely entertainment numbers. Prizes carry certificates of award,

with cash awards of \$50, \$30, \$20, \$15 and \$10. The Sweepstakes winner also will be presented with a cash also will be presented with a cash award of \$100 and a Michigan State of fertilizers, and it is the policy of

state flag is the Holton Community countries. of American farmers at the recent average about 20 people per group. Farm Bureau, winner of the Muske-world food conference at Copenhagen. This membership varies, several or-gon county contest in 1945, the only built in recent years. The general Farm Bureau, winner of the Muske-

Good-Will Project

anyone proud to see, thanks to the is scheduled for the spring and sumefforts of the Holton Community mer months. Farm Bureau.

tives increase the income of their maternity room and has been com- and planned a program of work and yields from 15 to 30 per cent farmer members about \$4,000,000 and pletely occupied since its completion. entertainment which lasted during

> ped, painted, decorated with drapes creased to 50 per cent. The Newaygo County women's and other furnishings the town hall. A house-warming was held recently

Mrs. Terresa Hanson of Fremont di- as a closing event in the new com-Junior Farm Bureau.

FERTILIZER SUPPLY WILL BE SHORT THIS SPRING

It is known now that it will not be possible to satisfy the demand for fertilizers for planting next spring. The fertilizer industry is resorting to allocations of fertilizer to assure all a fair share of the available supplies,

Farm Bureau Services, Inc., has begun by allocating to its fertilizer dealers 50% of what their orders were for the spring of 1946. This is the first step.

The demand for fertilizer in the United States now exceeds the war time demand, which established new the U. S. government to ship much Currently holding the Michigan of our production to war ravaged

situation is aggravated further by a great shortage of acid for the manufacture of acid phosphate, a basic Holton Group Promotes fertilizer itself, and a main ingredient in mixed fertilizers.

Farm Bureau Services hopes to Citizens of Holton township in have a new plant in operation at Muskegon County are now the posses- Saginaw for the 1948 season. Ground sors of a town hall that should make was broken Dec. 26 and construction

Last June the Holton group launch- Hybrid Corn 75 Pct. Of the 1946 Crop

Hybrid seed was used in planting 75 per cent of the 1946 corn crop acreported to do an annual business with the Hospital Guilds of Newaygo of representatives from the various cording to the farm crops department other organizations throughout the of Michigan State college. Hybrid The ward is especially adapted as a township. These women in turn met corn is responsible for increases in

In 1933 only one acre to 1,000 was planted to hybrid seed corn. By 1939 At these meetings the groups scrub- the percentage of hybrid corn had in-

Most farmers have obtained satis Send us a postcard giving your old group have set as their 1947 project The Township Board bought the factory yields where adapted hybrid varieties have been planted. We are cautioned against planting long season varieties which are adapted chiefly to

The one-room school in Michigan trunklines, 83,372 miles of County their paper, have them send us a card. ficers are: Mrs. Ed. Westenfelder of Farm Bureau members held a square has an average of 21.6 pupils per roads and 11,745 miles of other urban Thank you. Michigan Farm News, Fremont, vice-chairman, Mrs. Henry dance with music furnished by the teacher, and the teacher has an aver-

Remember! Neighbors, If you want a square deal in this world, you have to be ready to fight for it

You cannot help men permanently by doing for them what they could

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tive and independence.

and should do for themselves.

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Farm Bureau Activities

By MRS. MARJORIE KARKER

In these summary reports of community Farm Bureau meetings the al suggestions were made of possible name of the group, the county and number in attendance are given in that order.

White Valley, Antrim-50. trict 10, told of the work of State in rural Manistee County. Colter, Farm Bureau director of dis-Farm Bureau Resolutions Committee, of which he was a member. He stressed the resolution regarding potato grading laws.

N.E. Rolland, Isabella-13. A former member of a labor union was present and explained the average union member's attitude toward unmembership of unions were active. He propriation for a County Agent and ions. In his opinion only 50% of the pointed out that this could not happen in Farm Bureau of it is to be an effective organization.

Flowerfield No. 1, St. Joseph-10. Group decided that individual members should know more about their their members.

Unionville, Tuscola-21. Mr. Bougher of Caro discussed a County Health Unit and the group went on record as favoring such a unit. Mr. Bougher said that Tuscola County had more T. B. cases than any other three counties in the state.

Selma, Wexford-11. Mr. Minard Huested, a guest, spoke on the financing of the Michigan Farm Bureau and the relationship of Michigan Farm Bureau and Farm Bureau Services,

Sandstone-Spring Arbor, Jackson-22. Group felt that they should think about some benefits to Farm Bureau members that non-members do not

East Homer, Calhoun-20. Group voted in favor of a farmers' market to be located in Albion. Also an egg grading station.

W. Alaiedon, Ingham-22. Discussed the resolutions passed at the annual Michigan Farm Bureau convention.

Gull Prairie, Kalamazoo-30. local teachers were guests and discussed the various aspects of the local school such as "Recreation and Health", "The Curriculum", "The Library", "Guidance", etc.

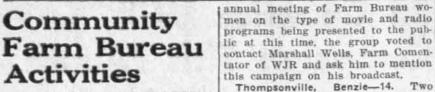
Elba-Hadley, Lapeer-17. After dis cussing the resolution passed at the

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Thompsonville, Benzie-14. Two ocal officers of the State Conserva-Membership Relations and Education tion Department met with the group to discuss the menance of deer. Sever solutions to, this problem.

Onekama, Manistee-20. assed that Manistee County Farm Bureau conduct a survey regarding the possibility of building a hospital

Frankenlust, Bay-24. Mr. Earl Doan of the Bay County Health Department gave a talk and showed a picture on the activities of the Health Department.

Johnsfield, Bay-13. Mr. Paul Pen nock, County Agricultural Agent, said that the Board of Supervisors of Arenac County had not granted the apasked the group to use their influence in changing this decision. Organiza HIGHLIGHTS OF tion went on record as favoring the retaining of a County Agent.

Benton Township, Berrien-46. Senator Bonine, of Cass County, pointed out the dangers of centralization of to be received by Co-operatives and government. He felt that township favor of county government and that money should be returned from the state to local schools on a "needs"

Presque Isle County-New group organized in this county recently are: Rogers Township, Klee's, and South Belknap.

Butler, Branch-16. Louis Webber ow tester, gave an interesting talk on the Dairy Herd Improvement Association

Spratt, Alpena-6. Passed resoluions that Farm Bureau use their influence in getting electrical lines extended to farmers where it is needed rather than to resorts where it would e a luxury.

Volinia, Cass-16. Mrs. Shannon told of plans for remodeling the town hall so that it could be used as a community building and asked if the Farm Bureau group would like to join other organizations in this idea.

West Grant, Oceana-20. Among other resolutions passed was one saying, "Resolved that our Farm Bureau group shall take all steps possible to improve our community".

Farm Appliance Dept. Holds Dairy Meetings

Methods of increasing milking efwas presented by the farm appliance Milker dealers at four meetings during December.

Much of the research information on faster milking was gathered by Mission before continuing on to the Dr. W. E. Peterson of the University AFBF convention. of Minnesota and contained many interesting and valuable findings to airy farmers

As part of the program a new movie in color, titled "The Inside Story of Faster Milking" produced by the Coop Universal Division, was shown. It brought out the fact that most cows can be trained to milk in 21/2 to 31/2 minutes by machine. In addition to saving the dairyman's time, it was found that more milk and butter fat were obtained.

Because these meetings proved so popular, additional meetings are being scheduled for the remaining win ter months.

All but one of the 12 Federal Land Banks are owned entirely by farmer borrowers

HIRAM and

Resolution

I was writing Resolutions on a recent New Year's Day, And dreaming of the future in a ruminative way. I was writing Resolutions that I knew would cramp my style If I kept the very least of them within a country mile; I was dreaming of a future that is shrouded dark and deep In a fog of resolutions that I make but do not keep,

Then Marthy came and found me there, all puzzled up and blue; Viewing Tomorrow with alarm, as I am wont to do, And, as her wifely custom is, she quickly set me straight "That's what you always do," said she, "upon this day and date. Your trouble, Hiram is, that you are handy at resolving But awkward at the steady grind that keeps the world revolving."

"Why, every year you sit you down and take your pen in hand And write a lot of fancy words that read so brave and grand And then you just forget them all. Now, what you ought to do Is make the short and simple kind that's worth adhering to. You ought to make just one resolve and knot your puckering string And stick for all your hide is worth to that one single thing.

'Some ten or 'leven years ago, we argued and we wrote And here is what we both resolved, to wit, and viz, and quote: 'Hiram and Martha now Resolve that in the coming year We'll think and talk and work and pray with just this one idear, To try to live the Golden Rule, without no noise or fuss, To do our best and serve our God, as He has prospered us."

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

JFB 30 DAY BUS **TOUR TO FRISCO**

Highlights of the 30 day bus tour selor, Burton Richards of Berrien enter, to the American Farm Bureau numerated by Miss Leona Algoe of garet Sill arranged the tour. Davison, a member of the tour group.

The 21 members representing 11 from Lansing on November 24. At the first to send in news and the Bloomington, Illinois, they visited the report has been mislaid. State Farm Insurance Companies offices, the McLean County Farm Bur-Thanksgiving to show them around.

On the ranch of Raymond Palh, reeder of the new Brangus cattle, the group felt at home. They stopped star cow ropers of the west. At Dallas the Ford-Ferguson guide and Mr. Jolly, county agricultural agent, spent of Goodrich. a day touring their county with the gang. The Fortworth stockyards were visited. Time was sport at El Parsons gave a detailed report at the visited. Time was spent at El Pasco, after which a tour was made to Juarez n old Mexico.

The various types of farming in the Imperial Valley surrounding El Cenficiency by faster milking techniques tro, California were studied. Stops were made at Knott's famous historidepartment of Farm Bureau Services cal ghost town and Berry farm near in co-operation with Co-op Universal Santa Monica. The tour gave Hollywood the once over and enjoyed Santa laus Lane with all the lights. Time out was taken to visit Santa Barbara

Enroute home the group went via the Grand Canyon and took a 16 mile mule trip to the great Colorado River. Through the northern states the members constantly compared the farming

areas with Michigan. State President Ruth Parsons, Fowlerville; National Rural Youth committee members Gloria Conley, Calhoun County, and Guerdon Frost, Ingham; and William Roseneau Calhoun County, made the trip by plane. Among the bus group were State vice-president John Foster of Niles, and regional director Wayne Smith of Osseo. Michigan was represented in the national talk-fest by Leone Algoe of Davidson. The opening vesper service was led by tilizers now.

Gloria Conley of Michigan, Young people from 24 states were present. The tour returned home for Christmas December 23.

With the Junior Farm Bureaus

West Allegan-A tour was made by members through the Allegan County nade by 21 members of the Michigan jail in Allegan the evening of Decem Junior Farm Bureau and their coun- ber 11. It was conducted by deputy sheriff Forest Reichenbach. High-lights of the experiences of a sheriff's Federation Convention at San Fran-cisco have been most interestingly explained. Leon Reimink and Mar-

East Allegan-Apologies to Ann Counterman and the East Allegan ounties of Michigan purchased the JFB from the state publicity chairarge bus just prior to their departure man Chester Clark. East Allegan was

Davison-A Christmas party and regular meeting conducted by presieau and Co-op Creamery. At Vinia, dent Gerry Holmes was held at the Oklahoma, the tour met Frank Ross, home of Darwin and Ralph Diehl the large-scale cattle buyer, who gave up evening of December 19th. Plans for a box social and square dance to be held in the Atlas Community Hall were made. Participation by the members in connection with the Genesee County JFB annual meeting to to meet the famous Williams Brothers, be held at Goodrich high school was discussed. Among the five new members were Chester and Yvonne Clark

> regular meeting in the Howell Co-op Building, December 16, of her recent plane trip to the AFBF convention in hility. San Francisco where she attended In keeping with the trend toward meetings of the National Rural Youth hydraulic lifts for mounted tools, the Committee. The resignation of Burr Clark as county president was accepted due to his studies at MSC. Bruce Love became president. A new vicepresident will be elected at th next meeting at the home of Duane Hyne, January 6. A letter from L. D. Dick-erson and Walter Krebs concerning their experiences to Frisco by bus was read by secretary Jean Belles.

District No. 6-Officers of JFB groups in Genesee and Livingston counties met in the Presbyterian church in Fenton for their district banquet. Problems of local and county organizations were studied and the solutions suggested. Plans were also made for the next regional meet with Oakland county as hosts.

"Nature seems determined to make us work.'

"Yeah, the less hair we have to comb, the more face we have to wash."

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Farm Bureau. Prior to November 1944, participation by farm women in the activi- munity Farm Bureaus as a democratic tes of Michigan Farm Bureau was function and an opportunity for the rather limited, and only by courtesy membership to take part in directing and custom a woman was elected to their own organization northwest the board of directors. A change in Michigan Farm Bureau has done much the by-laws voted at the annual meet- to promote the Farm Bureau program ing of the State Farm Bureau automatically places the chairman of wo-McCain, Jr. of Traverse City, who has men's activities on the board of di- been working jointly for the North rectors of the parent organization.

west Michigan Farm Bureau and Ten women, one from each of the Farm Bureau Services, Branch Store ten MFB districts, make up the ad- in Traverse on a full time basis, for visory council for program planning the time and effort he has put forth and co-ordination. The program to in the successful organizations of 15 date concerns itself with leadership new Community Farm Bureaus in training, rural health, recreation, li-that area this past year. brary service, rural-urban conferences to effect a better understanding of the is president of the regional organiother person's problems on a community basis, and similar activities as they effect the lives of all rural

The only qualification of eligibility is individual or family membership in the Michigan Farm Bureau. Mrs. Marjorie Karker, of the Michigan Farm Bureau, is the supervisor of women's activities. Mrs. Belle Newell, of Coldwater, is the organizations state chair-

AFBF WOMEN ADOPT MICHIGAN RESOLUTION

A resolution dealing with unwhole-some movies and radio programs adopted at the Michigan Farm Burau convention at Lansing in Novem er was adopted December 11, at the National Farm Bureau Woman's conrention at San Francisco.

The resolution originated in the West Huron Farm Bureau group first coming up for discussion in the Young Woman's League of Sebewaing. The movement gained speed and support as it progressed in the several conventions.

The resolution, in part, follows: "We have been inarticulate too long n expressing disapproval of unwhole some movies and radio programs. We urge that each County Farm Bureau express its disappraval to the proper sources. If crime programs must be on the air, they should be moved up to

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POULTRY FEEDING

A hen eats about 80 pounds of feed a year-half mash and half grain. If your grain (corn, oats, wheat in 60-15-25 ratio) is worth \$2.50 per 100 lbs. (or write your own values in here), it would cost \$2.50 x 80 lbs. or \$2.00 to feed that hen.

Using the Pencil...

If you mix 325 lbs. of this grain with 100 lbs. of Farm Bureau M.V.P. Poultry Concentrate at \$6.50, your cost of 425 lbs. of a high quality mash would be \$8.13 (for 325 lbs. grain) plus \$6.50 (100 lbs. of M.V.P.) or a total of \$14.63. Each 100 lbs. of mash would cost you \$3.45 (cost of ingredients only). Add 35 cents for grinding and 25 cents for mixing and each 100 lbs. of mash would cost \$4.05. 40 lbs. of mash at \$4.05 would then cost \$1.62. Add cost of 40 lbs. of grain at \$2.50 per 100 lbs. (which is \$1.00) and it would cost \$2.62 per hen per year.

Using the Head...

\$2.62 is 62 cents more than the \$2.00 it would cost to feed 80 lbs. of grain so the added cost to feed a ration ample in protein, vitamins, and minerals is 62 cents. At 30 cents a dozen 25 eggs pay this added cost. Research shows that 31/2 dozen more eggs per hen can easily be produced by proper feeding. This means \$1.05 worth more eggs for 62 cents spent or 43 cents more per hen-also healthier hens and less mortality.

DAIRY FEEDING

A good cow earns about 1 ton of grain a year. Straight grain at \$2.50 per 100 lbs. means \$50.00 a year. Using 500 lbs. of Milkmaker 34% with 1500 lbs. of grain would cost about \$25.00 for Milkmaker plus \$37.50 for grain, or \$62.50. This is \$12.50 more per year, or about 15 lbs. of butterfat at 80 cents per pound, or about 350 lbs. of fluid milk at \$3.60 per 100 lbs., or a little over 1 lb. more of milk per milking day.

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Nat'l Legislation of Interest to Mich. Farmers THE LEGISLATURE

Background Material for Discussion this Month by Our Community Farm Bureau Discussion Groups By NORMAN K. WAGGONER, Research and Education

The delegates to the American Farm Bureau Convention met December 9 and 12th at San Francisco, California, to shape the policies of a legislative program for the betterment of American agriculture. Every effort was made here to incorporate the combined thinking of the entire Farm Bureau membership into the legislative program for the coming year.

International Affairs. After having paid the price of the last World War, we recognize the need for preserving world peace. We recognize the important role of responsibility which tablishing world peace. Often eyes of the World are focused on America. This responsibility calls for great measures of international co-operation. Along this line the delegates which have made a contribution to tude towards boards and commissions at the annual meeting looked favorably upon the United Nations Organization, and an international military police force, a plan for inspection and enforcement of armaments, an international bank and the Food and Agriculture Organization.

International Trade. With farm production, possible surpluses in certain farm commodities and in view of the following information in regard to international trade in the past: Agricultural Non-Agricultural

Products Products 1/2 billion 1945 21/ billion the voting delegates made these recommendations relative to the future of international trade. That trade barriers be adjusted to promote free movement of goods in international trade; that we share our industrial technical knowledge with other countries, such that it may tend to raise the standard of living of all countries. Also that the USDA be instructed to study imports and exports to expand our trade which may result in raising our standard of living.

National Farm Program. It is extremely important that the gains which farmers have made as a result of basic agricultural legislation enacted in the past be preserved. It is equally important that American farmers through their farm organization strive for the strengthening of these laws which are fundamental to agricultural programs. Every possible step must be taken to prevent agriculture from going into the economic slump it experienced after the first World War. In connection 46,330 with this, the delegates made these recommendations: Favor a concerted for this issue is 46,330. effort to adjust agricultural produc tion to total market demand. The life of the Commodity Credit Corporation

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Recognizing that the next twelve | should be extended for purposes of months are critical times for adjust- crop loans and price supports. That real financial dilemma and he stated ments in agriculture and farmers are the Agricultural Marketing Agreeanxious to take advantage of their opportunity to make their wishes ment Act be strengthened. Contin- study all phases of this problem beknown through their organizations. | at 90% of parity for two years follow-The delegates recognized that there ing the official declaration of the and as to how state revenues and exare problems of national and inter- war's end. The delegates also recnational scope that affect farm people ommended that provision must be emergency. and are deserving of careful consider- made in the parity formula to provide for equitable treatment for prices of message to the Legislature indicated livestock and livestock and dairy pro- that he was not happy about the

Co-ordination of Government Agencies. During the past quarter of a century several federal government the United States must assume in es- agencies such as the extension service, soil conservation service, the credit, emergency farm labor production and marketing administration, have been organized. All of agriculture. Some thought has been and their operations. He said, "I do given recently that there is a need not believe that any board or commis-for these agencies to be co-ordinated sion should appoint a director without for greatest efficiency and to prevent any overlapping of services. In this have had in mind that the agricul-connection the delegates at the Na-tural commission last month re-electtional Convention recommended a ed Charles Figy as Michigan's Di- States, date back to 1921. Through minimum of central control and greatduction nearly 1/3 above per-war pro- er farmer participation in program planning, and every effort be made was taken without consulting the in history. to eliminate duplications of services of the agricultural agencies.

Taxation. Nationally the farmers paid an average of almost \$100 per farm in income tax last year. About over of agricultural department lead-\$33 per farm in state gasoline tax, 914 billion and drivers permit. All forms of tax- might be elected. Whether or not ation cost the people of Michigan about 36% of their income last year. The matter of taxation is indeed an Agriculture reorganization act was per year just to get a cow milked. important one. In view of the national debt which now amounts to age about \$5,000 for every working man and woman in the United States and also considering that to reduce taxes at a time when consumer goods are in short supply would be inflationary, the delegates at the National Conven tion recommended that the personal income tax be retained; that we do everything possible to avoid a federal sales tax; that the portion of a cor poration's earnings which are retained should be taxed at the rate used in the first income bracket of personal tax; that excise taxes be limit ed to luxury goods. Also the delegates recommended that a definite policy be devised for replacing taxes lost to local governments by the acquisition of property by the National Govern-

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OBSERVATIONS OF **NEW GOVERNOR AND**

By STANLEY M. POWELL

Michigan's Chief Executive, Gover-Senate and the House Thursday afternoon, January 2. The Governor stated that he would submit further messrecommendations on various problems. He emphasized that passage by the No. 2 and 3 in the November 5 election had confronted the state with a that he desired a few more weeks to final recommendations as to a budget penses might be adjusted to meet the

A statement in Governor Sigler's neasure which the Farm Bureau backed aggressively and successfully in the 1945 session which provided for the establishment of a state agri cultural commission of five members to select the Director of Agriculture and have general supervision of the policies of the department. The Gov ernor devoted 11 paragraphs in his message to a discussion of his atti approval by the Governor." He may tural commission last month re-elect-Governor. One of the principal reasons for passing this law was to insure a continuity of administration in the Department and to prevent a turnership every time a new Governor not made entirely clear in his mess-

doubtedly approve wholeheartedly one observation of Governor Sigler regarding the habit of boards and commissions of making and enforcing rules and regulations. The Governor emphasized that in this way commissions frequently encroach upon the duties of the Legislature and may even take unto themselves the rights and functions of a court. He stated, 'This sort of thing must be stopped, and all subjects relating to legislative or Kim Sigler, delivered his inaug- and administrative matters must be ural address to a joint session of the returned to the elected representa-

tives of the people." The first bill introduced in the Sen-ate was in line with the Governor's ages from time to time outlining his thinking in this connection. It was proposed by Senators Bonine, Hittle and Smith and provides that state voters of constitutional amendments agencies must submit their rules and egulations to the Legislature for approval. If this is done we have the ope that some of the far-fetched rulings of the Department of Revenue regarding the sales tax on farm production supplies, such as on equipment ourchased for custom work, might be

It is expected that during the comng week a large number of bills will introduced and we can really begin see which way the wind is blowing in regard to sentiment among the Senators and Representatives. We will try through the Michigan Farm News to keep you up to date on legislative developments of particular interest to farm folks.

Feed and Labor Costs Highest in History

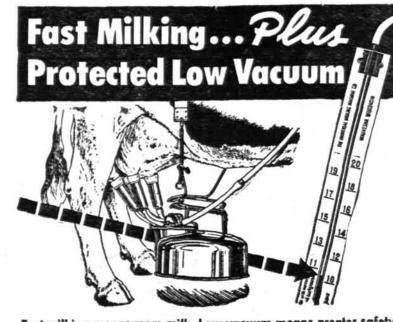
Dairy feed costs and expenditures for labor for milk producers of Michigan are at the highest peak in history. a recent study at Michigan State College reveals. Records of the Michigan Dairy Herd Improvement association, the oldest association in the United rector of Agriculture. As far as I these records, it has been determined have been able to learn, this action that these costs are now the highest

Dairy feed costs show that the average feed costs for produting a ton of milk in Michigan was \$34.28. Special studies also reveal that it requires 132 hours of milking time per cow per year. At an average cost of 55 cents Governor Sigler has in mind seeking per hour, which is far below compara-a repeal of the 1945 Department of tive industrial wages it costs \$73.60 tive industrial wages, it costs \$73.60

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But this big country consumes about 50,000,000

pounds of meat every day. So when you figure it

out, this reserve supply in commercial storage is

production and stored until months of low pro-

duction. But practically all of the beef, veal and

lamb that is in storage is the kind preferred for

meat loaves, sausage, prepared meats—not the kind that goes over the butcher's block as steaks,

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In selling, the meat packer must also follow the market trends established by those who buy the meats. He stands the risk that meat demand will fall off and prices decline between the day he buys the livestock and the day he sells the meat-also the risk of accidents and delays in transit which can wash out his profit.

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Dr. Schultz is the father of three children. As a scien-Ag proteins of meat. As a father he knew the trouble of scraping and straining meats for the baby and dicing meat for the older children. An idea was born: perhaps Swift & Company could discover a way to prepare canned meats suitable for babies. A research project was undertaken. The scientists went to work! The research took more than two years. The Swift people consulted with leading doctors, child specialists. They agreed that special meats for babies would be a good thing. Many methods of preparing various kinds of meats were tried. Hundreds of feeding tests were made by families with small children. Finally, six kinds of meat were approved by the doctors, nutritionists, mothers, and the babies themselves. Placed on the market in test cities, these products won immediate acceptance. They are now being sold in many cities, and facilities for their manufacture are being

OUR CITY COUSIN Says the wather gets him down

Martha Logan's Recipe for Navy Bean Soup

1 pint dried navy bean 2 quarts water 1 cup sliced onion 1 cup diced celery

Soak beans in water for several hours or overnight. Drain, add water. Fry onion and celery in butter. Add to beans, simmer 3 to 4 hours or until beans are soft, adding more water as water cooks away. When tender, save out I cup beans. Rub other beans through sieve. Reheat to boiling point. Add seasonings and flour mixed with 1/4 cup water. Garnish with hot sliced frankfurters and whole beans. Yield: 4 servings. 如 一般明白中國

Know-Don't guess-in 1947 by Tyrus R. Timm Temas A. & M. College

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