EDITORIAL

5,000,000 Farm Co-op Memberships

The Farm Credit Administration says that 10,150 farm cooperatives in the United States have memberships totaling which add up to 5,000,000. Of course, the same farmer may be counted twice or more if he is a member of more than one farm cooperative. A great many of them are.

For the marketing season of 1945-46 all farm cooperatives did a total business of six billion dollars. That represents a substantial increase over the previous year.

It is interesting to note that there are 7,722 farm cooperative purchasing groups and that they do about one-fifth of the total business done by all cooperatives. Farm Bureau Services, Inc., and 153 farm cooperative ass's stockholders are the largest purchasing group in the nation.

States with the largest numbers of farm cooperatives and the largest volume of marketing and purchasing business through such groups are Missouri, Illinois and Iowa. The Michigan State College estimates that the total of farm cooperative memberships in this state is 203,000.

Financial Plight of the Local Roads

Robert Farnsworth, chairman of the board of supervisors of St. Clair county, has spoken plainly about the increasingly bad plight of our county roads, and the need for better roads. "We need roads," as voiced by Governor Sigler last spring.

Speaking to the Michigan State Assn. of Superintendents of Highways, Farnsworth said: "It is an admitted fact that Michigan roads are in a poor condition. Every year we spend millions of dollars for the maintenance of these roads. The state of Michigan is built on a railroad. It is a business that requires roads."

The state gets all the increase. The Michigan Road Commission fixed amount. The state gets all the increase. The state gets all the increase. Yet it was Governor Sigler's veto of that gasoline bill. If we could spend $200,000 and not do half a job.

Furthermore, they are not graded right, they are not surfaced. To maintain the other 800 miles, one gallon of gasoline tax was needed. The state gets all the increase. The state gets all the increase.

"We receive in gasoline and weight taxes about $6,500,000. That represents a substantial increase over the previous year. If you have coal in this state, you have to pay for the transportation of coal. If you have hogs in this state, you have to pay for the transportation of hogs. If you have pork, the state gets all the increase."

Today it is $400,000 for payroll and $150,000 for insurance, or a total of $550,000. That's what has been accomplished in the campaign to get the gasoline bill passed.

Correction

Several Mistakes are evidently made in the list of state Farm Bureau Boards which appeared in the Michigan Farm Bureau bulletin of October 1.

The members of the Michigan Farm Bureau Board of Directors, made a number of changes in the list of state Farm Bureau Boards.

October 1 of the structural steel was held for the Farm Bureau Services fertilizer manufacturing plant west of Saginaw. We are looking at the front of the plant, as shown in the architect's drawing at the left. The next step: are to raise the building for the next section housing mechanical equipment of the mixed goods plant, and the towers of the superphosphate plant. Farm Bureau Services expects to be manufacturing early this winter. The total capacity is 45,000 tons of mixed goods and 30,000 tons of superphosphate annually.
Michigan Farm Bureau Activities

By Mrs. WARDIE KASER

Community Farm Bureau meetings throughout the State were attended by the members of the new committee at a meeting held in Lansing last week. Among those in attendance were Mrs. F. C. D. Messenger, vice-president; Mrs. L. S. Streeter, secretary; and Mrs. E. F. Van Pelt, chairman. The committee, which is composed of representatives from all parts of the State, was formed to carry out the work of the Farm Bureau in a more efficient and effective manner. The committee's first meeting was held in Detroit last week, and it was decided that the committee would hold its next meeting in Grand Rapids next month.

Asters

There's a demand for ever-blooming flowers to fill the yard's center. Ever-blooming Asters make a splendid effect, being bright and colorful throughout the fall. These flowers are sold in large quantities, and they are sure to bloom all season long. The Asters are hardy and easy to grow, and they will continue to bloom throughout the fall season.

Farm Bureau Women Help Convince NBC

Farm Bureau women in Michigan feel very happy about an interview on NBC's "This is Your Business" program, which was broadcast from Ypsilanti to all Farm Bureau women. The program was conducted by the National Broadcasting Company and was one of a series of interviews with Farm Bureau women. The purpose of the program was to encourage more women to become involved in Farm Bureau activities.

Advisory Board

The Advisory Board was appointed by the National Association of Farm Bureau Women to carry on various programs in the State. The board consists of five members, representing the five districts in the State. The board's purpose is to promote the development of Farm Bureau activities in the State and to encourage more women to become involved in Farm Bureau activities.

Paid for a Life Time

The Farm Bureau Women are proud to have paid for a Life Time of membership. This means that they have contributed to the Farm Bureau for a period of time that is equal to the length of time they have been members. The Farm Bureau Women have contributed a great deal to the development of Farm Bureau activities in the State, and they are proud to have paid for a Life Time of membership.

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Alfa/Take Alfa is a new and improved alfalfa variety that is becoming very popular among farmers in the State. It is a high-yielding alfalfa with excellent quality, and it is resistant to most diseases and pests. The variety is also easy to grow and is adapted to a wide range of soils.

Water

Water is just as important as the sunshine. Children always have a supply of water, but they should be taught the importance of conserving water. This can be done by explaining to them the importance of water in agriculture and by showing them how to conserve water in their daily lives. The children should be encouraged to save water whenever possible, and they should be taught the importance of water in agriculture.
**Letters to the Editor**

**ON WOOL PRICES**

Mrs. H. E. miller, 702 East 16th St., N. W., Washington 6, D. C.

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**Use For Vegetable Waste**

After harvest, how much good feed value remains in the vegetable wastes? A good bit of it would contain a good bit of protein, most of it would contain a good bit of potassium, and most of it would contain a good bit of calcium. It is uneconomical to pay fertilizer prices for these materials.

R. E. Miller, 702 East 16th St., N. W., Washington 6, D. C.

**MODEL BUILDING CODE OFFERED FOR TOWNSHIPS**

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**SUPERPHOSPHATE TAKES FORM**

In the acidulating department of the Farm Bureau Service fertilizer plant, rock phosphate and sulfuric acid will be combined to make superphosphate fertilizer. It is a main ingredient in mixed fertilizer and is in great demand as straight superphosphate fertilizer.

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Looking Ahead on One's 75th Birthday

By Mrs. Josephine W. Warner

Friday, May 10, 1945 - Dear Friends, This is to inform you I am celebrating another birthday. Your newspaper has called it my 75th, but just a few years ago my husband and I decided it would be better for us to celebrate my 70th birthday. I believe we are still attending Sunday services, and I do not need a cane for support. During the years that have passed, I have been a member of many organizations, and I have always enjoyed my membership. I have been actively involved in the local Farm Bureau, and I continue to do so today.

Feed Those Pigs

The high price of grain, pork prices, and labor are causing problems for farmers.

Farm Incomes To Remain Favorable

Farm incomes are expected to remain favorable this year, according to the Michigan State College extension service.

In Case of Infection, Check Out Free Milk - Pasteurization

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For Real Economy, Build with Unico Laminated Rafters

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What About Our Legislative Program?

Background Material for Discussion in October for the Community Farm Bureau Groups

By Norman K. Waddell, renewable ed. Administration

Will the thinking of our legislature be governed by business, management, labor, or other groups, or will farmers also have a voice in matters which primarily concern them?

There is reason to believe that farmers want such a voice, as a result of the 68,000 farm people in Michigan who have organized themselves into one voice to make their wishes known, whether it be on matters concerning taxation, which now costs Michigan people more than the food they eat; or if it concerns their educational faculties; or if it pertains to matters concerning their county and state health departments, which are now due for some expansion.

Everyone is aware that something must soon be done about the serious conditions of Michigan roads. There are matters which affect farm products, our national farm price policy which is due to expire in 1949. The situation concerning labor and management relations is very critical in this country. These, and many others are matters which farmers have organized themselves together in an effort to express themselves effectively to the benefit of agriculture.

Community Farm Bureaus have no function which is more important than to provide an opportunity for every member to express himself. The state legislature appropriate legislation to help us in our work. The consumption of beef has increased in this country. Michigan, with its abundance of good feed, is well equipped to supply the nation. Our United States are not accidental. They are caused by the existence of certain forces which have been operating for a long time and which are still working. In the United States, the forces which are now working are the forces of population growth and the forces of economic expansion. The nation is growing in population and the economy is expanding.

One of the problems which we have to face is that of the expansion of the economy. The economy is growing and we have to face the problem of how to expand it in such a way that it will be satisfactory to all the people. The expansion of the economy is a very important problem. It is one of the most important problems which we have to face in our country. It is a problem which we have to face in order to make sure that the country will be able to provide for the needs of its people.

In conclusion, I would like to say that the Community Farm Bureau is a very important organization. It is an organization which is working to help farmers in all parts of the country. It is an organization which is working to help farmers in their local communities. It is an organization which is working to help farmers in their state. It is an organization which is working to help farmers in our country. It is an organization which is working to help farmers in the world. It is an organization which is working to help farmers in all the countries of the world. It is an organization which is working to help farmers in all the continents of the world. It is an organization which is working to help farmers in all the countries of the world. It is an organization which is working to help farmers in all the continents of the world.