EDITORIAL

Non-Farmers in Rural Areas

There are more non-farmers living in the country than there are farmers, according to Dr. C. P. Loomis, head of the department of sociology at Michigan State College. His survey shows that there are approximately 800,000 farm people and 900,000 non-farm people living outside the urban areas of Michigan.

The college is beginning a new kind of extension service for city people living in farm areas. A committee will assemble and distribute information concerning gardening and small scale agriculture.

The idea suggests itself too that here is a large and influential group of transplanted folks from town who are going to acquire more and more of a rural point of view on a great many subjects. They may work in town, but their home is in the country.

Lest We Forget

Any farmer or other business man who "went through the wringer" in the business depression following 1929 does not need to be told about the distress caused by a falling price level. But with each successive war, many persons, especially those in the younger generation, have said, "Yes, I know that prices dropped after the other war, but this time don't you think we have quite a different situation?" Many persons are saying the same thing today.

This time we MAY have a different situation from that which followed previous wars and we MAY never see another period of low farm incomes. And we probably need the optimism of youth to offset some of the extreme caution of those who got burned in the last depression. But it would seem that all persons engaged in farming-young, middle aged, and old-will do well to balance those conflicting desires of wanting to "shoot the works" and wanting to save everything by keeping their farm businesses backed up with a reserve in United States Savings Bonds. Such a reserve will be in the safest possible form and readily available in case of need. Also it can always be quickly converted into cash with which to speculate in case one feels nature is not providing enough gambling in farming to sat-

Farm Legislation racing Lawmakers

Discussed by Stanley M. Powell at a Series of Farm Bureau Meetings Held in Northern Michigan

Legislative developments and issues which will be up tions are on hand for direct or infor decision when Michigan's lawmakers assemble for their next session were outlined in addresses given by Stanley M. Powell of Ionia, legislative counsel of the Michigan Farm Bureau, at Farm Bureau rallies held at Ellsworth, Pellston, Hawks and Gaylord. The meetings were attended by large crowds of Farm Bureau folks from Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, Cheybogan, Presque Isle, Alpena and Otsego counties.

Tracing the tax burden of Michigan farmers over the past quarter of a century or more, Mr. Powell showed how legislation promoted by the Farm Bureau had greatly reduced the tax burden on Michigan farmers below Carson City, Thursday, August 19, and milk products are to be sup- lotments, production goals and increased tremendously during the what it had been prior to 1932 although governmental services and costs have been expanding constantly. He emphasized, however, that farm folks and other property owners should not take all of these developments radio musical entertainers, Mar not less than 60 percent of parity cent of parity for a normal supply, too much for granted and assume that we shall always be enjoying the benefits of them.

Mr. Powell reviewed the various attacks which have grown yearly until the 1947 event been and are now being made against the 15-mill tax limitation. At the present time the Michigan Education Association is promoting a constitutional amendment judging with appropriate prizes: which, if adopted, would so liberalize the 15-mill limitation as to render it virtually meaningless. It would per- cream, lemonade and coffee to- is provided that the parity price lotments are in effect, provided the mit raising the tax rate to 50 mills or 5% for as long as gether with a full alternoon of entering the tax rate to 50 mills or 5% for as long as gether with a full alternoon of entering the tax rate to 50 mills or 5% for as long as 20 years as a result of a single election by a simple are erected on the slopes of a na majority of those voting, without regard for whether City park or not they were property owners. This new proposal would not safeguard the use of the resulting increased early in August to 26,000 central revenue. It would not be tied in with any new construction or capital expenditure program, but could be Gratiot, Montcalm, Clinton, Shiaused for purely routine expenses of governmental opera-

Property Tax for Roads. There direct real estate levies.

is also a very definite threat that Far-reaching effects of the sales property owners in rural Michigan tax diversion constitutional amend will once more be saddled with the ment adopted by Michigan voters expense of maintaining and imin 1946 were outlined by Mr. Powproving their local roads through

MAJORITY FEEL NEED FOR PRICE SUPPORT PROGAM

Community Farm Bureaus throughout Michigan during the month of May discussed the issue, "Do we want controlled or uncontrolled production?" This is a problem with which everyone has had some experience and one which de mands our careful consideration in planning farm programs.

Of those discussing the need for a national farm price policy, an overwhelming majority were of the opinion that such a price policy is desirable, and that it should be planned from a long time viewpoint. 845 Farm Bureau people discussed the feasibility of a price support program with or without production controls, Of these people, 93% felt that they could not expect price supports without some production controls, 5,380 Farm Bureau people expressed themselves specifically on production controls Of these people discussing this particular matter, 54% meeting in 171 Community Farm Bureaus did not feel that production controls are needed. The remaining 46% meeting in 143 Community Farm Bureaus felt that some production control program for agricultural is

Ottawa County, with 100% their groups reporting conclusions on this particular subject, stood in first place in the state during the month of May. Presque Isle County with 75% reporting was in second place, with Huron County holding third place with 73% reporting. It is vitally important that every group secretary forward a copy of the minutes to the offices of the Michigan Farm Bureau immediately following their group meeting.

CONGRESS EXTENDS FARM CREDIT WITH INSURED MORTGAGE

Farmers will have greater oppor tunities to obtain real estate credit through the Farmers' Home Administration due to recent Congressional changes in its insured mort gage program, according to the U S. Department of Agriculture.

An assured market for insured mortgages, and an increase of 1/2 of 1% in the interest rate, are pro vided in amendments to the Bank head-Jones farm tenant act approved June 19 to encourage greater participation of private capital in the farm ownership program.

The credit is extended only quate financing from private or cooperative sources. Repayment of the loans is fully guaranteed by the government. The loans are limited to 90% of the borrower's total investment in the farm, and are payable over a 40-year period.

Approximately 70,000 applicasured loans of which 38,000 are vet-

Congress has appropriated \$15. 000,000 for direct farm ownership loans for the coming fiscal year.

CREAMERY PICNIC AUG. 19

ed and plans are going forward for the annual summer picnic of Dairyat the city park at Carson City.

so far include: Grace Wilson, singer, 1950. and the Rangers, Chicago radio per- January 1, 1949 and other steagall shall be a mandatory flexible supformers; the Rhythmaires, Detroit shall Wells, WJR farm editor, will

The annual Dairyland

picnic, open to the public, has attracted more than 5,000 persons. The program will start at 9:00 a. m. and continue until mid-afternoon, featuring dairy livestock concert; noon picnic with free ice gether with a full afternoon of en-

A booklet announcing complete plans for the event will be mailed Michigan rural route and village boxholders in nine counties: Kent, wassee, Ingham, Ionia, Saginaw and

One farm worker produces enough agricultural produce to take care of 13 additional people.

One effect of farm mechanism has been the rapid liquidation of

F.B. IS WORKING FOR BETTER BURAL EDUCATION



Enact Long Range Farm Program

Farm Bureau Wins Permanent Support for Farm Prices & Modern Parity Formula; Present Supports Extended to 1950

Congress has enacted the long range permanent farm price support program recommended by the American Farm Bureau.

The new legislation was introduced by Senator Aiken MICHIGAN AT of Vermont. It has gone to President Truman for his

The American Farm Bureau Federation is largely responsible for the success of this price protection program igan Farm Bureau attended the for farmers. Last December at Chicago in annual meet- School at St. Paul, Minnesota, during the AFBF declared for a long range permanent farm ing the period of June 27-30. The Michigan delegation represented program which should include a modernized farm parity nearly all of the County Farm Bur price formula and flexible price supports. With these of the state office and field staff. recommendations and others, the U. S. Dep't of Agriculture was in agreement.

Senator Aiken has credited the American Farm Bureau Bureau program. The value of the with the work and support that brought about enactment Mid-West School as a clearing house of the bill at 4:00 a. m., Sunday, June 20, just before Congress adjourned.

The struggle in Congress was over two bills (1) the the country. long range permanent farm price support program fav-tended the Michigan breakfast. He ored by the Farm Bureau and offered in the Senate by described months of work perform-Senator Aiken; (2) a bill to extend farm price support in behalf of the long range farm on a temporary basis, and offered in the House by Rep. price support bill enacted by Con Hope of Kansas. The Senate and House enacted their Bureau support for the measure and bills and a deadlock followed. June 19, the last day of hard work by the Washington the session, the House and Senate conference committee ferees over to the Senate's long for the bills got together for one more try. In the early range farm support bill in the all night session of June 19. morning hours they agreed on the major sections of Senate long range permanent farm price support bill.

Present Price Supports. Under sent farm price supports through cultural commodity at not more 1949 or longer, as follows:

ceived by producers of cotton, corn, commodity in relation to demand, wheat, rice, tobacco and peanuts price levels at which other commodiare to be supported at 90 percent ties are being supported, perishof parity until June 30, 1950.

Steagall Commodities-Irish po- etc. tatoes harvested before January 1. The Secretary is authorized to Entertainment features arranged comparable price until January 1. for price support. Potatoes harvested after

commodities are to be supported at until Jan. 1, 1950.

1950 and provides. Revision of Parity-Parity prices bacco and peanuts.

for farm products are to be computed from the average prices for the

Permanent Price Supports-The the title of temporary price sup- Secretary of Agriculture is authorizport, the Aiken bill extends pre- ed to support the price of any agrithan 90 percent of parity, taking Basic Commodities - Prices re- into consideration the supply of the ability of the crop, its importance,

land Co-operative Creamery Co. at 1949, and hogs, eggs, poultry, milk. require compliance with acreage alported at 90 percent of parity or a marketing practices as a condition Flexible support program. There

port program, based upon 75 peror a comparable price, and at not and adjusted upward or downward more than the 1948 support price within the limits of 60 to 90 percent parity, at the rate of 1 percent Long Range Program-The perm- of parity for each 2 percent that manent long range price support supply varies from normal. This program becomes effective Jan. 1, shall apply to the basic commodities of corn, wheat, rice, cotton, to

A premium of 20 percent is be added to the applicable support ten years average will be taken. It marketing quotas or acreage alfor no crop may be lowered more support level is not raised above

Republican Farm Plank **Endorses Co-operatives**

"There must be a long term program in the interest of agriculture and the consumer which should include . . . support of the principle of bona fide farmer owned and farmer operated co-operatives and sound rural electrification."-From Republican platform adopted at Philadelphia, June 23, 1948.

Farm co-operative spokesmen were received cordially and were very effective before the platform subcommittees on agriculture and on small business. More than 100 National Tax Equality Ass'n people tried vainly for an anti-co-op declaration in the platform. Three subcommittees listened to them and said "No!"

CO-OPS SHOW RAPID PROGRESS IN OIL PRODUCTION

own more than 1,000 oil wells, 11 refineries and more than 1500 miles of pipe line.

The first oil cooperatives was born in 1921 in Cottonwood, Minnesota as a retail outlet, and then years later, it was reorganized as wholesale distributor of petroleum

In 1945, Midland Co-operative Wholesale in Minnepolis had a vol ume of \$11,000,000.

Consumers Co-operative Association of Kansas City, Missouri began its activities in 1929 with a capital of \$3,000 and 6 member societies. In 1934, it was in the process of buy ing the plant of a competing indiv idual business at a value of \$250,000 In 1935 and 1936, it added to this plant a lubricant refinery and paint factory.

In a few years, the savings made by the co-operatives in producing these products for themselves, made it possible for them to own completely these plants. Four years later, in May, 1940, an enormous crowd attended the opening of the first co-operative oil refinery and first co-operative pipeline at Filksburg, Kansas, at a construction cost of \$850,000.

The co-operative was attacked by the major oil companies who refused to deliver crude oil. But, in spite of this struggle, it continued to expand by laying new pipelines and buying its own oil wells. The co-operative now owns 950 oil wells.

121 REPRESENT

121 people, representing the Mich Mid-West Farm Bureau Training aus in the state as well as members More than 1,002 Farm Burea eaders from 12 mid-west states. gather annually for a conference on membership building and a Farm or plans, programs, etc. and a general generator of ideas is being appreciated more and more by Farm Bureau leaders from this section of

AFBF President Allan Kline at gress June 20. He said that Farm

PUT MORE COWS

If all of the milk produced last year in the United States was used as drinking milk, it would just about average a quart per day for each of the 145,340,000 the United States

The marriage and birth rate has the number of dairy cows on farms producing milk is going down. With more people able to buy

more milk and dairy products, and fewer cows to produce less milk than formerly, it looks like it is good time to put a few more fresh lows in the milking line and help supply this demand.

New Lenawee Oil Co-op Begins Delivery Service

The new Lenawee Farm Bureau Oil Co-operative, Inc. is now making petroleum deliveries to farmers in Lenawee County, according Oscar Hauch, manager.

The oil cooperative is one of sev ral managed by Farm Bureau Ser-

One delivery route has been esablished in the southeastern portion of the county. It is planned o service the patrons each week.

plete with standard and hose, which Farm Bureau officers. are being made available to papatrons at cost.

Two and one-half billion man

Petroleum Co-op Starts Stock Sales

Farmers Petroleum Cooperative, Inc., Wants To Raise \$1,000,000 to Acquire Crude Oil Production, Other Facilities

Sale of capital stock for financing the new Farmers Petroleum Co-operative, Inc., started July 1. Sales are being made to farmers, farmers' co-operatives, and other rural people requiring petroleum service.

The Farmers Petroleum Co-operative, Inc. will endeavor to raise \$1,000,000 of capital for acquiring established production of crude oil, for drilling purposes, for making arrangements with refineries for refining, and for distribution of fuels and other petroleum products to farmer patrons. The new co-operative petroleum company is a subsidiary corporation of the Michigan Farm

The Farm Bureau, through its Farm Bureau Services, Inc., is now one of the larger distributors of petroleum products in rural Michigan. The Farm Bureau knows that it must acquire crude oil production to supplement the gasoline, tractor fuels and other petroleum products it buys from various refineries. It was decided to establish a separate subsidiary co-operative, the Farmers Petroleum Co-operative, Inc., to handle the Farm Bureau's petroleum services to farmers.

The critical situation that faces rural consumers of petroleum fuels throughout the United States, emphasizes the urgency of quickly setting up the Farmers Petroleum Co-operative, Inc., with adequate capital to do

It is increasingly plain that farmers needing petroleum fuels and farm co-operatives having large responsibilities in the distribution of such fuel, had better own as much crude oil production as possible. Crude oil represents the supply.

Farmers Petroleum Co-operative, Inc., is a co-operalive stock company. It was authorized by the boards of directors of the Michigan Farm Bureau and Farm Bureau Services, Inc., at Saginaw, May 12. Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws were adopted June 1. The Michigan Farm Bureau incorporated the new organization as a subsidiary to be charged with a petroleum service program to farmers.

Capital stock in the Farmers Petroleum Co-operative will be sold only by licensed salesmen, and upon the information contained in the prospectus for the stock. The prospectus is published in this edition of the Michigan Farm News for information of the Farm Bureau membership and farm co-operative patrons. See page 5.

Capital will be raised through sale of Class A. Common stock at \$10 par value per share. Not less than \$50 will be sold to a purchaser. It is proposed that \$1,000,000 worth of Class A common stock be sold at this time.

Class A common stock is due 15 years from date of issue. It is callable by the board of directors on 30 days notice at any dividend paying date at par value plus any declared unpaid dividends.

Class A common stock may pay a maximum annual dividend of 5%, non-cumulative, as earned and declared.

Class B common stock at \$10 par value per share is not to be sold, but is to be issued in payment of patronage dividends. Class B has no due date, but may be called on 30 days notice by the board of directors at par value, plus declared dividends. Dividend rate is subject to declaration by the board of directors out of non-stockholder

Class C common stock qualifies one for voting rights and for patronage dividends. Class C common stock has a par value of \$1. It is limited to one share per stockholder except to the parent corporation. Class C stock may be held by anyone who owns at least \$50 of Class A

When sales of Class A common stock pass \$250,000, the board of directors of the Petroleum Co-operative has authorized it to begin acquiring established production of crude oil. At that time, the board has also authorized

rices, Inc. under a management 29,000 F. B. Members Farm Women's Week Enrolled in Blue Cross At MSC July 19-23

29,000 Farm Bureau members, representing 554 discussion groups, The co-operative will handle gas- Blue Cross Hospital Plan. Approxioline, motor oils, greases, tractor mately 8,000 additional Blue Cross uel, kerosene and No. 3 fuel oii. members from Farm Bureau groups The cooperative has several 250 were enrolled this spring through to 300-gallon storage tanks, com- the personal interest and efforts of

Sixty Farm Bureau discussion groups became Blue Cross enrolled give farm women, or those interestfor the first time.

About 40% of all the groups now hours, once involved in horse and have the surgical care plan. Twenmule chores are now available for ty-three of these groups are also en-

are now enrolled in the Michigan lege beginning Monday, July 19 and ending July 23. Women of the Michigan Farm

> Bureau, the Michigan State Grange and home extension groups are eligible to attend the session. Farm Women's Week is held to

ed in co-operative extension work a short course at the college

The cost of Farm Women's Week is \$12 for the whole time spent, and rolled for the medical care plan. | includes board, room, class fees, etc. HARAM and

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JUNIOR FARM BUREAU

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Community Farm Bureau ost about every two weeks. Activities

Mrs. Marjorie Gardner STAR AWARDS Gold Star-Cathro Group, Alpena County, Mrs. Clifton Jacobs.

Silver Star-East Orleans, Ionfo County, Mrs. G. E. Peterson. Silver Star-Bridgewater, Washtenaw, Mrs. T. H. Parker.

The organization department of ing a Gold Star and two Silver Bureaus each month. The winners had done some serious thinking listed above are for the month of

In these summary reports of ings, the name of the county is followed by the name of the group.

opinion that the money usually the Farm Bureau". forthcoming from the County for the Community Farm Bureaus should be used in the formation of new groups and that all old groups should be self-supporting.

and effective the group has arranged a debate between the discussion leader and one of the other mem bers and has asked that each mem ber bring his copy of the "Farm News" to the next meeting.

Kalamazoo-Ross-As a result of a discussion of New Castle Disease in poultry, this group went on rec ord as favoring a law requiring al feed sacks to be adequately disinfected before being used again for

Branch-Bethel-Went on record at their May meeting as favoring ance Company for Michigan Farm

Bureau members. Branch-California - A discussion was held on the possibility of a joint agg grading and marketing an between Branch and St. counties to increase the of business. Clarence Palmer was appointed to investigate further and report on the possibil-

ities of such a marketing program. Calhoun-Fredonia - Has adonte a family in Heliand to assist by sending articles of clothing and other items that might make their life easier. Mrs. Vena Gleason, announced that a party will be held feature of their meeting was a talk

during the month of June for patients at Percy Jones hospital. Lenawee-Riga-It was moved by Charles Goetz and seconded by Gerald Emmons that this group favor the eliminating crime, detec tive, and horror stories from comic books and radio programs which

are harmful to the youth of our state. Motion carried, Livingston-Handy - It was - the opinion of this group that the petitions and letters of protests against fast time by the Farm Bureau members were very instrumental in keeping Livingston

county on standard time. Livingston-Osceola -- Mr. Leslie Merritt. County Press editor, was guest speaker at their May meeting and discussed rural-urban relations. He said that Howell appreclated the farmers' trade and that the action of the city council on the time question indicated their willingness to co-operate with

farm interests. Monroe-West Dundee-Announcement was made at the May meet ing to the Northwest Michigan ing that the Monroe Junior Farm Farm Bureau having a float in the Rureau will handle a consession at the Monroe County Fair and would like co-operation and assistance of the Senior Farm Bureau. The Mon-cach Community Group in the

roe County Farm Bureau will have an exhibit. Macomb-North Avenue-The government should spend money for ful articles to be sent to Europe. research to make better use of Aipena-Spratt - Qualifications of farm products industrially, and to Farm Bureau members were disuse our surpluses to take the place cussed. They believe such memof natural resources which might bers should be farmers and interdiminish. They preferred the gov- ested in farming. Not in promot

ernment to create a market in pre- ing some other specific business. ference to price control.

beginning of this new Community request was also made that the Farm Bureau and their first meet- County Board send an annual ing was devoted to organization statement of County finances to and election of officers.

ed that "we favor the project of a demand for educational opportun-Farm Bureau livestock exchange ities it was resolved that they conas is being considered. This is to tart their Board of Directors as to be a combined organization of sev- the purchase of a movie projector eral countles adjacent to Calhoun, for Earmet County.

Barry and Kalamazoo." fit can be returned to the patrons Presque Isle county.

at the end of each year. He anounced that the store has started route so that farmers can have heir feeds delivered at no extra

Ottawa-Grand Haven-This group held its first meeting during May and took a stand unanimously against controlled farm produc

Eaton-East Hamlin-This group was host to 17 members of the Junior Farm Bureau who attended to become more familiar with senior Farm Bureau activity. An interest-Michigan Farm Bureau is award- ing discussion was held on the problem of controlled production Star awards for the outstanding The young people voiced many opinions which indicated that they about the world's problems.

Eaton-Gresham-Chester-The fol lowing resolution was received: Community Farm Bureau meets "We are in favor of Farm Bureau setting up an automobile insurance company for Farm Bureau Berrien-Cribbs - It was their members, owned and operated by

Shiawassee-Shia-Vernon - This group had as guest speaker a representative of the Consumers Power Company who spoke regarding the uses of electricity on the farm. Kalamazoo-I-Go-You-Go-To make Of special interest to the group their discussion more interesting were the heat lamps for pig brooders, heating the milk house, and mow dried hay.

Huron County - Community Groups are already naming their delegates to the Farm Bureau Convention in November. They are as follows: Bingham, Mrs. William Logan; Central, Mr. Ray English; Friendly Neighbors, Mr. John tion's capitol, January 18. Fahrner; Green Acres, Mr. Alfred Dembrowski; Kilmanagh, Mr. Otto Mason, Oceana May Finkbeiner; North West; William Young: Port Austin, Robert Thuemmel; Sheridan, Mrs. Blair; South Oliver, Allen Eby; Turner, the proposed Farm Bureau Insur Willis Yackle; West Huron, John Velz; Elm Creek, Simon Stacer; Elk Riverside, Edwin Herford.

Huron-Mud Creek - Mrs. Paul Baur, secretary/was instructed by the group to write WJR in Detroit Wells back on the usual Farmers' time or 7:30 Detroit time.

meeting was used to organize the with their problems. explanation and purpose of the Community Farm Bureau pro-

Oceana-Shelby-An informative of Agricultural Training for "G.I's" under the direction of the agricultural teacher. There are apadvantage of this program in

Oceana county. Manistee-Springdale-On a mocommended that Manistee county research. ake over the maintenance of state

highways in the county. Missaukee-Reeder Center - The tate representative, Mark Hene na, was guest speaker for the eve ning and his subject was based on what goes on at the capitol in regard to farm legislation. He told hem of the influence which reso lutions favored by the Farm Bureau Community Groups have on our legislature.

Northwest Michigan-Archie - A motion was made that the chair appoint a nominating committee to prepare a slate of officers for their group for next year.

Northwest Michigan-Grelickville Voted approval at the May meet annual Cherry Festival.

Wexfrd-Hollister-Announcement was made at the May meeting that county is expected to contribute a pocketbook filled with pens, needles, pencils, or any other small use-

The matter was referred to the Allegan-Otsego-May marked the County Board for further study. A

each community group. Barry-Bell-This group resolv- Emmet-Carp Lake-Due to the

Presque Isle-Moltke - Announce-Barry-Prairieville-The manager ment was made that 15 members of the Kalamazoo Farm Bureau had been signed up in Junior Store explained the management Farm Bureau during the month of the store and how they operate and that another group was organon a small margin so that the pro- ized in the Northern part of

NEVER MISSED MEETING DURING 30 YEARS SERVICE

"I do not think a co-operative of ny kind can expect to succeed uness its directors take an active interest in its business by attending meetings and learning details of the Fred VanderMeulen, president of the Falmouth Co-operative Marketing Association, said ecently

Mr. VanderMeulen has not miss ed a meeting of the board of direct ors of his organization in 30 years. Neither has he missed a meeting of the board of directors of the Traverse City Production Credit Association in 14 years.

"Directors of co-operative organi zations should support and try to sell the idea of co-operation whenever and wherever they have an oportunity:" he said.

Mr. VanderMeulen said he felt hat this country will always have co-operatives for farm marketing and credit. The members see the advantages of handling this much of their own business and they like

provement, but as members and officers gain in experience, farm cooperatives will continue to improve. Mr. VanderMeulen was among gressional dinner held in the na-

Have Fruit Specialist

The Farm Bureau Fruit Committees of Mason and Oceana Counties recently received favorable inthat area.

The committees have made nu- taxes which will impose a real burmerous contacts during the past den on Michigan's citizens. several months with officials of and ask them to have Marshal Michigan State College, Michigan Farm Bureau, and members of the Tuscola-Wide-Awake - The first a fruit specialist to assist them

oup, elect officers, and for the . Mason and Oceana Farm Bureau members have felt for severa years that the services of a fruit specialist would be of great value.

Wins National Honors 1948 election ballot. He quoted a For Poultry Aid

Dr. H. R. Bird, in charge of poultry research for the USDA Bureau proximately 130 veterans taking of Animal Industry, became the with these words: "We earnestly an annual production of 360 million first American scientist to win the advocate the repeal of this amendsociation \$1,000 award for outstand- be free to appropriate sales tax called on corn, wheat, cotton and ion carried unanimously, they re- ing contribution to poultry nutrition revenues to governmental units rice (1) when supply reaches 120

Bird featured the most efficient therefor." utilization of soybean oil in poultry feeds.

Egg quality is especially important in hot weather, say MSC poultry specialists:

Would You Pay Per For Good

\$1.00 Per For Good SILAGE IN YOUR SILO?



Saving 4-10 Tons Is The Same Thing!

Farm Bureau

Economical Easy to apply 5 gal. Lasting in results Disinfects as well as seals Stops mortar eating in silos Good for wood or cement Saves you dollars and your silo.

5 gallons makes ten after diluting according to directions. Enough to paint inside of silo 10'x 40'.

This advertisement is worth 25c to you towards the Farm Bureau SILO PAINT at your

Farm Bureau Dealer FARM BUREAU SERVICES,

INC. Lansing, Michigan ATT BURNS . CLARK Safety Stuff "I like my life too well," says Clem, "to end it in a fuss. I like my precious neck and all my legs and arms", says Clem "And I propose to use some pains to take good care of them, I keep my ladder painted and I store it in the dry; Too old to swing from limb to limb, I'm still too young to die.

"No longer do I use barbed wire to hold the barnyard gate. I keep the harness in repair and I don't calculate To stick that pitchfork in the mow to hit my head a crack, Nor do I shoulder bags of wheat, to break my valued back, No more will I split firewood with a clothesline over head, Too many folks have tried it once and split their skulls instead. I hope to have a ripe old age and dry up on the stem And I'd be Joath to end it all by accident," says Clem.

I fixed a hand rail for the stairs that used to bark my shins;

A cat, they say, has several lives, but I'm not even twins,

"And Cynthia too, I value her. I'm saving her for me. The sharer of my joys and tears, light-o-my-life is she. She has a good wire canning rack to save her scalded hands And in the evening after work I help her tighten cans, That turkey-trap back step of hers-I fixed it good and stout After she mentioned once or twice and nagged a bit, no doubt. She has a place to keep sharp knives against the kitchen wall Instead of in the cabinet drawer with basting spoons and all.

"She need not scale a wobbly chair to reach the upper shelf, Instead she has a rugged stool which I contrived myself. She has a light above the sinks and one that hangs just right To shine upon the cellar stairs and make the corners bright. She has a kit of kitchen tools that I should never borrow And I have found that when I do, I do it to my sorrow. My wife and I," says Neighbor Clem, "have taken risks enough And we propose to play along with all this safety stuff,"

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

Farm Legislation Facing Lawmakers

times the provision of this amend- State Farm Bureau convention. ment would divert to schools and Resolutions adopted at those meetvery complicated features of the rean through its Action Commit- cost than the year before. We know visions of this amendment might of all the sales tax receipts.

revenues at an all-time high, the be exceedingly effective in promotstate finds itself unable to live ing rural interests regarding a tamin and trace mineral reserves the co-op delegation who attended within its income. As a result wide range of important legislathe MAFC sponsored Michigan Con- of appropriations made at the re- tive issues. cent special session of the Michigan legislature, it is expected that these meetings reported that they during the coming year the state found them exceedingly interestwill use up its entire substantial ing and informative, and their surplus of \$21,000,000 and accumulate a general fund deficit in ex- that it had, been possible for all cess of \$14,000,000.

Obviously, this procedure cannot rural folks in that section of the be continued and unless the sales state to have heard these addresformation indicating that they might have a fruit specialist for ed, the only alternative will be the about these vital matters. imposition of a flock of new state

From the farmers' point of view it is difficult to conceive of any new tax which would not involve Legislature in an effort to acquire a heavy direct or indirect burden on rural families. Of course, some forms of additional taxation would

be definitely worse than others. Sales Tax Diversion-Mr. Powell pointed out that a proposal to repeal the sales tax diversion amendment will appear on the November resolution adopted at the last annual convention of the Michigan Farm Bureau which concluded American Feed Manufacturer's As- ment so that the legislature would Research work carried on by Dr. vices in proportion to the need and rice, and 108 percent of nor-

up of the Farm Bureau enables parity or less for three months.

members to discuss timely issues in their community groups and formulate policies and programs which are threshed over and put perfect yet. There is room for im- clining revenues more than 100% to their position on pending legis- maintain both production and lation. This is definitely democ- weight. Even now with the sales tax racy in action and has proved to

Farm Bureau members attending only regret was that they wished Farm Bureau members and other

Enact Long Range Farm Program

(Continued from page one) percent of parity.

The support level is to be 50 percent of parity for any basic comg quotas.

The price of Irish potatoes harrested after Dec. 31, 1949 is to be supported within a range of 60 to 90 percent of parity.

Wool is to be supported at the level within 60 to 90 percent of parity which the Secretary of Agriculture believes necessary to secure pounds of shorn wool.

Marketing quotas votes are to be and for various functions and ser- percent of normal for corn, wheat, mal for cotton (2) When supply is Mr. Powell showed how the set- normal and prices are 66 percent of

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(7-12-15p)

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(5-7t-49p)

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Reliable manufacturer of cow stalls stanchions, litter carriers, hay car-riers, water bowls, and complete line ventilation desires farmers to send of ventilation desires farmers to send in their requirements for estimates. Over 30 years experience in equip-ping modern dairy barns. Simplex Inc., Marshfield, Wisconsin, Dept. 42. (7-3t-41p)

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(4-tf-25b)

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Finances-Funds appropriated by Section 32 of the AAA for surplus disposal may be accumulated up to

DRY COWS NEED GOOD FEED AND PROPER CARE

By R. H. ADDY, Manager F. B. Services Feed Dept.

has successfully run a dairy head a co-op should not be taxed." for very many years, you are apt to find that his reasons for such paign Dewey said on May 11, "I success are as follows:

out of rugged ancestry.

2. Dairy Herd Improvement him to: (a) Feed intelligently; (b) operatives," Cull effectively; (c) Keep up the interest of himself and employees; (d) Increase the dollar value of eratives. his cows.

Let's talk about No. 3 above. A. paign. C. Baltzer one of the best posted men on dairy matters in the state, says that a pound of grain ration fed to a dry cow makes more milk than fed any other time. Yet we find so called dairymen who begrudge every pound of feed a dry

cow eats. The six or eight weeks a cow is dry is the same sort of period that a factory takes out each year to ell. He explained that in normal into a final form at each annual clean up, repair machinery, check for factors that lower efficiency. That dry period can be used to get local units of government over ings constitute the platform and that cow in condition, physically, 78% of the total revenue from this program of the organization for and perhaps, mentally, where she tax. However, because of some the following year. The Farm Bu-ean produce more milk at lower formula of distribution, it could teemen and community groups is it's the period when we should put very easily work out that the pro- well organized to keep track of weight on the cow so she can prolegislative developments and to duce heavily when fresh and her require the state to pay out to keep lawmakers at Lansing and production runs ahead of her abilithese local units in a period of de- Washington currently advised as ty to eat sufficient nutrients to

This dry period in my estimation, is the time we should build up vibody. If this is done, we will have stronger, healthier calves. We will have cows that will hold to top production longer, we will have cows that will taper off in production more slowly when the tapering-off-period comes.

I feel that smart dairymen would insist that their dry cows' ration should carry enough Vitamin A & D that, with the vitamins in the dairy feed, would bring the total of Vitamin A up to 35,000 U.S. P. units peraday and Vitamin D up to 6000 units of D2 per day.

The best calf-growing program is to have a calf born right and that means proper care of the cow when

about a fifth fewer turkeys this modity in marketing years for year than last. The crop this year which producers disapprove market- is only about five percent above the

> One of the best ways to save grain and other foodstuffs is to get rid of rats.

FARM CO-OPS

Nomination of Gov. Thomas E. standard bearers for the Republifide farmer-owned and farmer-operated co-operatives," John H. Davis, executive secretary of the National Council of Farmer Co-operatives, declared today.

Governor Dewey is an active member of the Co-operative G. L. F. Exchange, Inc., Ithaca, N. Y. He If you talk with a dairyman who mer makes by being a member of During the Oregon primary cam-

don't see how we can keep our 1. Herd sires bred for production family farms going if farmers don't have strong cooperatives and I'm against meddling with any legislawork to give him facts that enable tion that would weaken farm co

Gov. Earl Warren also has a long record in support of farmer co-op-

Davis predicted complete biparti-

Partnerships Do 8 Times Business of Co-ops

Partnerships in the United States vill do a business about \$50,000,000. 000 during 1948. This is more than 8 times the volume of business that farm marketing and purchasing cooperatives will do.

These partnerships are taxed in Dewey and Gov. Earl Warren as the same way as farmers' co-operatives. Actually, a farm co-operative ean party adds further strength to is a partnership of people who join the platform pledge of the G. O. P. together in the marketing of proto support "the principle of bona duets and the purchasing of their farm supplies.

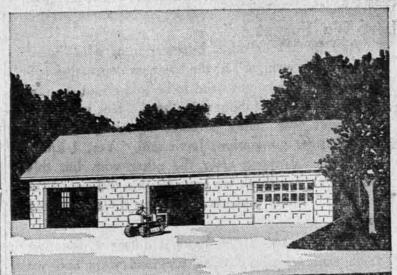
The individual farmer pays his income tax on the gain he makes by using his own co-operative just as the partner pays his individual inome tax.

It seems that the very people who have been mislead into attacking stated recently "the saving a far- farm co-operatives are, themselves, individual business owners, or members of partnerships who are taxed exactly the same ways as farming co-operatives.

> An electric milker cuts down milking time about one-third, according to agricultural specialists.

Congress on May 14, "we must support and protect co-operatives."

"Those groups which have been attempting to frighten the Republican and Democratic parties into 3. Proper care of the cow when san approval of farmer co-operativ- abandoning their traditional supes in the 1948 presidential cam- port of farmer co-opératives will President Truman told fail completely," Mr. Davis said,



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Rural Wele-news



BLUE-RIBBON TELEPHONE - A certain telephone which looks like any other, but nevertheless bears an unseen mark of distinction, was installed a few weeks ago. It brought to 50,000 the number of additional telephones installed in rural areas by Michigan Bell since VJ Day. That's about as many telephones as there are in Lansing. Rural installations since VJ Day have averaged nearly 1,500 a month.

WEB OF WIRE - To bring telephone service to more folks in rural areas, Michigan Bell. since VJ Day, has strung 23,000 miles of wire and placed hundreds of miles of cable and buried wire. Large amounts of central office switching equipment have been required, and in some exchanges, new buildings or building additions.



ON SCHEDULE - Michigan Bell's rural

expansion and improvement program is moving along right on schedule. Besides installing 50,000 more telephones in rural areas since VJ Day, we have reduced the number of parties and improved the ringing on many rural lines.

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means more and better rural telephone service

POTATO CONSUMER JULY 19-25 SET PREFERS QUALITY **OVER PRICE**

Most homemakers consider the quality of the potato they buy more important than either size or the designated by Secretary of Agriculprice, according to a survey recent- ture. Charles F. Brannan, as Nacompleted by the Bureau of Ag. tional Home Food Preservation ricultural Economics.

In all income levels, quality and asked about their preference in po- single factor for world peace. We tatoes. They were asked about the cannot afford to let the abundance storage problems in the home, what of our farms and gardens be wastcooking qualities they preferred, ed. when, with a little planning and where they purchased particular a little extra effort, these supplies Funds, and many other questions. can be used to maintain the health Quality was found to out-weigh and vigor of our families and add size and price 12 to 1.

size were considered more impor- cing the special conservation week.

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Week.

"Food is still the most important to the total world food supply," In all income levels,, quality and Secretary Brannan said in announ-

season throughout the summer and

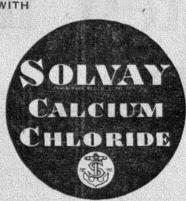
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St. Lauis—St. Louis Coop. Cry. Co.

ILLINOIS

Momence—Momence Milk Coop. Assn. Pano—Equity Union Cry. & Produce Co. Paris—Equity Union Cry. & Produce Co.

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Marion—Froducers Creamery
Medaryville—Momence Milk Coop. Assa.
Middlebury—Middlebury Coop. Cry. Co.
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Farm Bureau Women County Chairmen of District No. 7 Attend First Meeting



The above picture was taken at Karker, state director, were the man, and Mrs. Robert Jacksteit of Mrs. Robert Jacksteit, Newago; Mrs. the first district meeting of Farm speakers. tant than price. About 12% of the This week has been designated Bureau women of district 7, at the Mrs. Murel King of Muskegon

consumers reported that when to stress the importance to home odd Fellows' Hall in Scottville. County was elected new district Mrs. Wilbur McIntyre, Osceola; H. Birdsall, state vice-chairman of prices of good quality potatoes are makers of taking advantage of the Mrs. Jesse Bonham of Shelby, dis- chairman to take office September Mrs. Paul Schiffer, Mecosta; Mrs. Farm Bureau Women, tigh, they buy less. When prices go supplies of various home and can-thown, 20% buy more.

Selfice September of Shelby, dis-thrist Jesse Bonnam of Shelby, dis-thrist Chairman of Shelby, dis-thrist Chairman presided, Mrs. Belle Newell; Mrs. Marjorie Kar-Newell state chairman presided, Mrs. Dwight Hall of Ma-Newell, state chairman and Mrs. son county was elected vice-chair- ker; Mrs. Jesse Bonham, Oceana;

Newago count, secretary.

tect the future of farming.

Murel Church, Muskegon; Mrs.

Montcalm county was the only

county not represented.

tablished. We must never sacrifice Thanks to Unselfish STATE EXTENSION quality service for financial gain. When it comes to a saving in **Progressive Leaders** money to a member, we must be most certain we are playing safe for all time. We must know we can continue through any emer

Briar Hill Farm, Carleton, Mich. to the list for fear it would disrupt gency. Some of us have gone with

received during the past month con- ers in town. One of two were sucerning the outcome of the vote on spicious of some sort of trick bethe new consolidated school I men ing played on them; some were half the price. tioned in the last issue, I can report certain the solicitor was being paid The very fact that membership that the proposition carried by a for the time he spent for, "no one is the deciding factor for particito I vote. Even at that, it was would do such work without pay." far from being satisfactory with

> districts, trans. | ple. fering the records

tors have been, I fear there would their own interests for no one else questionable. be many hopes going into discard. would do it for them.

that locality. Everyone of us owe and above the good of his organi-different opinion. I feel we can Michigan farm people. much to this unselfish progressive zation, he weakens his actual worth always be generous in our good leadership. It has always been to that organization. that way, and no doubt, always will

I recall how one man in our virived from a rural telephone line, gic. I fear this same sentiment lived in town and he really had no by benefited themselves rather than laboratory in Paw Paw. that he enjoyed.

raveled many miles and spent days lost many members because the Health Department. to get signers, and it is now almost policy established was a system of urbelievable that there were those grades and the same can be said who refused to add their signatures with almost every department es soil it should be done with caution.

From the many inquires I have the business of certain storekeep the organization through a depres-

It is well to remember that all in itself create a barrier with those me, for the vote was light. If those most every public blessing that we on the outside. I believe the less in charge of work. enjoy was made available to us unruffled we can keep the outsider. ing out the details through the self-sacrifice of some the easier we can convince him he in closing the old public spirited friend of the peo- should be with us helping to pro-

> So it was in the beginning of the Let's not aim to buy his memand the funds, in Farm Bureau in Michigan. We owe bership with a sale tag, for it is organizing the many thanks to that group of human nature to sooner or later placing of teach- who gathered together for the pur- him to give us a boost in our great suitable for school bag following World War I. They along. as indifferent as farmers unless they banded them- establish the door prize system and county governments. many of the elec-selves together and looked after the security back of it is always

In every community, one can all sacrificing leadership since the be- kept our feet firmly on the ground, sis. This prevented him from contimes a few more, who have always the organization is due to this type to any farm cause that would benedaused him to enter into a career.

> Rumors have come to me from time to time that some "want some VanBuren Arranges thing that the other fellow connot

direct interest in rural service, but establishing a policy that would This program was developed in he wanted others to share a service benefit agriculture as a craft. When rural mail delivery was be- part of the leadership to confine of the hospitals and by Leo Godin, installed throughout the our commodities to qualify goods County Organization Director of country, a man of our ac- rather than just a saving of money. the VanBuren County Farm Bur-

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and he spent much time convinc- was in the minds of far too many gram for Farm Bureau members of farmer's friend in Michigan for 38 ing the neighbors that such service of that great enrollment during VanBuren County has been arranglyears. They are going to miss him could be brought to our homes if our early years. Too many were ed with the South Haven City Hoswe would go after it. This man looking for something that personal pital laboratory and the Lakeview

conference held with the superin- standing upon the vantage ground It took persistent effort on the tendents and laboratory technicians of truth.-Francis Bacon. quaintance circulated a petition and Through the first wool pool, we eau and Dr. M. R. French, County

If wheat is top dressed on heavy

DIRECTOR BALDWIN

One of Michigan's best known agsion that took away a large percentricultural leaders, Robert J. Baldage of our membership even at one win, retired recently as director of sion Program.

Mr. Baldwin is the only man ever pation in any of our programs will tional program which reaches every ounty in Michigan through its ag- during World War II. ricultural agents, home demonstration agents and 4-H club agents. During the 38 years he has guided this program, Director Baldwin has watched it grow from three field agents, Michigan Agricultural Coltransportation, straight thinking, far-seeing men want something more. Let's urge lege back in 1910, to a staff of 280 specialists and agents today. These ers and making pose of doing something for the work rather than hand him a door people are a part of the Michigan new location farmers who were left holding the prize as an inducement to come State College staff. They are made available through the co-operative were could see ruination staring at the It takes money and lots of it to support of the federal, state and

Mr. Baldwin was born and reared on a farm in Sanilac County. In I have always been proud of the 1900, he entered Michigan Agricul-We hope when it gets in working All down through the years, the conservative manner in which tural College by an entrance examorder, there will be at least as near aim has been to help farming as Michigan Farm Bureau has pro- ination without a high school eduharmonious approval as possible to an industry rather than as indivi- gressed. We have never catered cation. After graduation in 1904, he duals. There's been this same self- to the spectacular but rather have was stricken with infantile paralyways find one or two peole, some ginning and much of the success of We have always been sympathetic tinuing with heavy farm work. It been the leaders in any new move- of leadership. Whenever a person fit all of our craft rather than in any however, that made it possible for ment that's for the betterment of puts his personal interests over way domineer those who are of a him to serve three generations of

> During his long service, he has visited every nook and corner of Michigan. He has been active in land use planning work. He helped lead Michigan farmers through two world wars and two farm deprespressions. He has truly been the in more ways than one.

SAYS U.S. FARMERS HAVE CAUSE TO **WORK HARD**

Despite all the labor saving de vices that American farmers have, they still continue to work very hard. This is one of the many things about farmers in the United States that has impressed Michael LeGouis, 21-year-old French youth who is studying fruit growing practices on the farm of Harry Nye, south of St. Joseph.

Explaining his surprise that American farmers work so hard, he said the U.S. farmer's achievements are limited only by the amount of work he wants to do. In France, farmers cannot expand, because extra land is not available.

He has been at the Nye farm for two months and plans to remain until September.

Although he has completed study in France that would allow him to practice law there, he had decided upon agriculture as his vocation. With a view of helping achieve a more progressive agriculture in his native France, he felt that America would be the best possible place to learn progressive farming prac-

Mr. LeGouis said that he admir ed the gasoline and electrical mode of farming in the United States, but felt that American food produc tion would suffer a complete breakthe Michigan Co-operative Extendown if war invaded our shores The distribution of petroleum and electricity can be so completely in to have had the extensive educa- terrupted by war here as it was in his own native land by the Nazi's

The French youth will spend a

year of study at Cornell University upon completion of his appren-ticeship on the Nye farm.

Industry Looks At Farm Business

The shift toward larger and fewr farm units has been greatly accelerated in the last seven years, an agricultural engineer told the American Marketing Association recently.

George Krieger of the Ethyl Corperation said bigger farms mean more farm dollars are spent for mechanization.

The farm market has become more important to business and more closely related to the general economic structure, and failures in farm income threaten the country with depression more immediately than in the past, he asserted.



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American Farm Research Ass'n All people want to live in peace but peace according to their own terms. Such terms may violate some individual or minority group. The result is tension, strife and likely violence. The love of God and brotherly love should preserve peace through all circumstances. But where the misery of hunger, malnutrition, cold, fear, insecurity and uncertainty prevails, the laws of order and love for our fellowman are set aside.

As a student of nature, of plants, soils, rocks, geology, astronomy, in fact, the great marvels of creation, I must cry out my own plea for peace-a peace for everybody. the richly endowed, the weak, the minorities, the misguided, and the uninformed.

First, we must understand the un-repealable and inviolable laws of nature. As we learn to understand them better our admiration mounts for the Master Architect that made the perfect plan. The scientist finds himself joining hands with the theologian to help man work out a life worthy of the will of God.

So, we conclude that the will of God is expressed in creation-a creation started in the eternal past and to go forward to an eternal future. The present is only a moment along the way in this potent physical-chemical-biological-spirtual creation. An extraordinary aspect



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A Pattern Petroleum Co-op For Peace Starts Stock Sales

the Co-op to acquire the established petroleum distribution business and facilities of Farm Bureau Services, Inc.

When the Farmers Petroleum Co-operative was incorporated, members of the board of directors of Farm Bureau Services, Inc., were elected to serve as the first board of directors and until the first annual meeting of the FPC. They are:

Roy D. Ward of Dowagiac, president; Jesse Treiber of Unionville, vice-president. Other directors are: Lloyd Ruesink, Adrian; Albert Shellenbarger, Lake Odessa; Ward G. Hodge, Snover; Carl Buskirk, Paw Paw; Thomas Berghouse, Falmouth; Arthur White, Howell; Alfred Roberts, Pigeon.

Clark L. Brody of Lansing is the executive secretary and treasurer.

of this concept is that there appared to be a decided pattern of "Not so well, the fig is eating creation-call it anything you like food I need for myself, and bescientist l'il mention a few ex-live or serve". amples of violation against the ferred to as moral sin.

In the Arrowhead Lake Regions bodies. The plant life changed to of northern Minnesota where the smaller growth when the carbon soils are thin and extremely de- dioxide in the air of that age beficient in plant food materials, be came largely tied up in coals and cause the nature of the parent limestones and big and small ani rocks was such as to give no plant | mal life. The pastures became mineral richness to the soil a thin and those types that could not friend and I found a maple grow- adapt themselves to the change ing like a bush amongst the spruce passed away. Only those with and poplars. It's leaves were sharp teeth ruled for a whilestarved for minerals; it was weak even they were doomed. Of course and surely doomed to die as a bush the temptation here is to insert, if and not to mature into a tree, sharp teeth served only for a The pulpwood trees could take arrows, powder, TNT or atomic

bombs may not be on the right It, because they needed so few soil minerals and could build wood beam either, (cellulose-carbon, hydrogen and oxygen) out of the air and water and his destiny. On the one hand with almost no soil minerals. My there are too many empty stomachs friend and I pondered the lesson and confused souls, and on the this poor maple reflected. You other hand there is abundance and and I might weep over such mis. even surpluses, or undistributed fortune to a living thing, but God goods. in his nature as much as said, "Since you are not adapted to this place and won't change your ways pattern of creation, or go the way you are not in My image here, or of the misplaced bush maple, the part of the pattern, so you must be parasitic fig, or unadaptable dino put aside" use that spark of the Great Creator

in the jungles of Honduras I once saw a beautiful fig tree grow- in him to live so as to let live ing high in the crotch of a tree and to do to others as he would called the Naked Indian. (The have others to do unto him. This name probably came from the we all want to do, but it is not brown, smooth bark and leaves as small as squirrel ears). Had I asked the fig tree how it was getting along, it might have answered (if trees could speak words), I'm doing mighty fine; look at my many branches, and luxuriant leaves". Had I asked the Naked Indian tree the same question, the

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It would be very helpful to us if any of our readers would sug-

gest the names of likely agent prospects in their nearby cities

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aspects of this? We want much profit now, even though it may be on an unsound AGENTS WANTED basis in the long pull. Too bad if I must mine my soil-I must live before I worry about those that are to come. So the "let live The Insurance Department of the Michigan State Farm Bureau idea must be set aside.

Faith is for ignorant people says one. In the face of the vast unknowns we are all even yet ignorant, so we still need faith where we face these unknowns, but it's easier to have hope when faith has a foundation as reflected in the pattern of creation.

while, perhaps to substitute spears.

Today man ponders his problems

If we can see that we must

either adapt ourselves to the great

saur, it argues well that man must

easy if there is not enough for all.

this that seems to chain us to the

short pattern of our past. We

haven't yet mastered enough

patience, faith, unselfishness, un-

derstanding or tolerance to live

in harmony with the facts that

exist. What are some practical

There is a practical burden to

Unselfishness? Generosity has a strange way in paying off-but the payoff may be long delayed and too indirect to be recognized. Any aged person who has lived a life of unselfishness knows how self was best served through service to others. The farmer that wills his sons and community better earth than what he found has deep satisfaction and knows that generosity

and understanding. It recognizes the right of others, and if you don't protect this right, your own

is in jeopardy. In the formation of our own planet, Earth, there was first the rocks and no soil. Then soils and plants, later animals and at last man. The environment was good for him, and he developed fastsometimes faster with his gadgets of civilization than with his culture for living. He usually misused his heritage, the soils, through his cravings, and in his ignorance. His soils emptied and his kind multiplied. In many places he multiplied himself faster than was acceptable according to the pattern of creation-when this occurred his conduct hardly reflected a man created in the image of perfection.

Mass starvation and wars to thin down the crowded places have had their day. Such a pruning is not the mode of solution as acceptable as wanted children that have a world fit for them by parents who

This earth can be a fit place for our children, and one of peace, if man thinks it is worth while

New Farm Bureau Dist, Representatives and Co. Org. Director



two new district representatives, ton Plains. He spent 21/2 years in signed as President of the Tuscola for the Cancer Society. One is Elden T. Smith, who became the Navy. The earlier part of his Junior Farm Bureau to devote more a representative for District No. 6, life was spent on a farm in Mont-time to his new job. He has also effective June 1. Mr. Smith was ealm County. formerly an organization director Mr. Hawley has been assigned as visor of the Tuscola County Dairy -only don't trespass or violate cause of this we will both soon for the Tuscola County Farm Bur. a special representative of the Mich. Herd Improvement Association. this pattern. Here the theologians be in misery and both will die be- eau. He is succeeding Robert Mei- igan Farm Bureau. He will spend deal with sin-and I agree. As a fore we've had an opportunity to kel, of Yale, who resigned to return considerable time in three southern to work his own farm. The giant dinosaurs found the

Milton Larsen took over the orgreat pattern of creation not re pastures of the cool age so bounti- ganization work in District 19, ef- zation director, is Kenneth Baur of ful they grew great hulks for fective June 1 Mr. Larsen will work Fairgrove. Mr. Baur has been inwith Wesley Hawley in that dis-terested in Junior Farm Bureau trict. He is a graduate of Michi- work for the tast three years, folgan State College, and a former lowing his discharge from the popular greenback.



The Michigan Farm Bureau has (teacher in a rural school at Wolver- armed, forces. He has recently re-

unorganized counties of District 10. Lansing is a good place to go for Succeeding Mr. Smith as organi- the answer to many farm and home

problems. Be sure your questions are stated clearly.

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Committee Issues Report On Oil Shortage Problem

The House Interstate Commercia Committee has issued a report on its investigation of recent increases in petroleum product prices. Crude oil prices have risen 116% from 1943-45 to the early part of 1948, according to the report. These marked increases were registered for re fund products.

The report also shows that the total net income of 20 integrated oil companies increased from 349 million in 1938 to about 1,285 million, plus, in 1947.

Munger Group Donates \$25 To Cancer Fund

The Bay County Chapter of the American Cancer Society recently received a check for \$25 from the Munger Community Farm Bureau. The check represented the proceeds of a card party sponsored by the community group.

Mrs. Edward Bush, of Munger, was appointed village commander

Annual Picnic Planned

For Midland Co. The annual picnic of the Midland County Farm Bureau was scheduled for the latter part of August The exact date to be announced later. The arrangements for the picnic have been delegated to the county women's committee. The board of directors of th

County Farm Bureau is urging all of the community groups in the county to prepare exhibits for the Midland County Fair, being held in August. Prizes will be awarded for the best displays. The county organization is spon-

soring a drive for American Overseas Aid, in the United Nation's appeal for children, through its community groups.

need to grow horse and mule feed, have become available to raise crops for human consumption.

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Are You Interested in a Co-op Petroleum Program?

Farmers Petroleum Cooperative, Inc., of Lansing, Michigan proposes to establish a complete service program to Michigan farmers on petroleum fuels and other petroleum products in order to supply them in accordance with their needs. The program is intended to increase substantially the volume of such petroleum products now available to farmers through their co-operatives. To finance the acquisition of established crude oil production, arrangements for refining, facilities, equipment and inventories for distribution, etc., the Farmers Petroleum Cooperative, Inc., is offering:

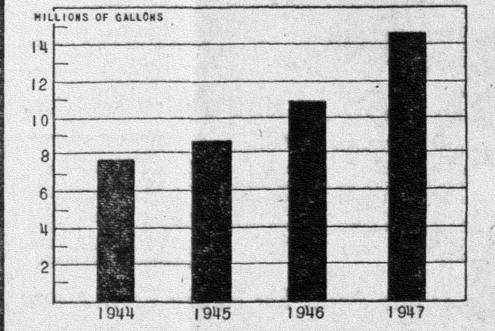
\$1,000,000.00

Maximum annual dividend limited to 5% non-cumulative, as earned and declared.

The Class A Common Stock is being offered to farmers and farmers' co-op associations. The shares are issued in amounts of \$10 or any multiple thereof. The minimum purchase has been set at \$50. This issue and the Farmers Petroleum Cooperatives, Inc., are fully described in the Prospectus dated June 4, 1948. The Prospectus is the basis of information for all sales.

The board of directors of the Farmers Petroleum Cooperative, Inc. have made arrangements to acquire the complete distribution system and petroleum distribution facilities of Farm Bureau Services, Inc., provided a minimum of \$250,000 is raised through the sale of Class A Common Stock. The graph shown below indicates the growth of the liquid fuels volume of the petroleum department of Farm Bureau Services, Inc. over a period of the last four years.

GROWTH OF LIQUID FUELS VOLUME



FARMERS PETROLEUM COOPERATIVE, INC. P. O. Box 960, 221 No. Cedar St., Lansing, Michigan

Please send copy of Prospectus for Farmers Petroleum Cooperative, Inc. Class A Common Stock, and have a licensed salesman call.

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For copy of the Prospectus, and a call by a licensed salesman, please fill in and mail request form above.

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Prospectus for Farmers Petroleum Cooperative, Inc.

PROSPECTUS

100,000 shares Class A Common Stock \$10.00 Per share 80,000 shares Class C Common Stock \$1.00 per share

Farmers Petroleum Cooperative, Inc. A Michigan Corporation

> (Organized under Sections 98-109 Inclusive, Act 327 Public Acts of 1931 as Amended.)

Date of Incorporation June 1, 1948

A Description of the

FARMERS PETROLEUM COOPERATIVE, INC.

and the Securities Offered Is Contained Herein

Date of this Prospectus June 4, 1948

Neither The State Of Michigan Nor Any Commission, Regulatory Body, Or Individual Connected Therewith, Has Undertaken To Pass Upon The Worth Or Value Of The Security Mentioned Or To Recommend Its Purchase. No Dealer, Salesman, Or Other Person Has Been Authorized To Give Any Information, Or To Make Any Representations Other Than Those Contained In This Prospectus In Connection With The Offer Contained Herein And If Given Or Made, Such Information Must Not Be Relied Upon As Having Been Authorized.

FARMERS PETROLEUM COOPERATIVE, INC.

221-227 North Cedar Street Lansing, Michigan

OFFERING AND TERMS

100,000 shares Class A Common Stock \$10 per share - \$1,000,000.00 minimum 5% non-cumulative dividend Non-assessable

80,000 shares Class C Common Stock \$1.00 per share — \$80,000.00 no dividend rights Non-assessable

FARMERS PETROLEUM COOPERATIVE, INC.

The Class A Common shares are issued in multiples of \$10 except that no sale will be made for less than \$50.

Class C Common shares are issued at the par value of \$1,00 per share with the provision that each shareholder, with the exception of Michigan Farm Bureau and Farm Bureau Services. Inc., may hold only one share.

The securities offered above are to be sold for cash by officers of the corporation and licensed salesmen. Not to exceed 15% of the sales price covering all expenses of sales may be paid, The net proceeds from the sale of this offering is expected to be \$1,060,000. It is estimated that not to exceed \$20,000.00 from the proceeds will be used for expenses of printing, traveling and incidentals.

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CAPITAL STOCK PROVISIONS

Provisions of articles of incorporation and by-laws relative to the preferences, privileges, and powers and to the restrictions, limitations, and qualifications of all classes of stock of the WARMERS PETROLEUM COOPERATIVE, INC.

CLASS A COMMON STOCK

Subject to redemption at option of corporation at any dividend paying date at par plus declared and unpaid dividends upon 30 days notice. Stock shall be redeemed 15 years from he date of issue at par plus declared and unpaid dividends. Entitled to an annual non-cumulative dividend up to but not exceeding 5%, payable annually within 90 days after close of the corporation's fiscal year, provided that no patronage re funds to member shareholders shall be paid or dividend on the Class B Common Stock declared unless a 5% dividend has been declared on Class A Common Stock. The board of directors i authorized to determine the rate of dividend which shall be pay able out of any net margins or savings, or any surplus or reserve fund. Entitled to a prior lien over Classes B and C Common Stock upon assets of corporation on liquidation. Holders not entitled or permitted to participate in savings or margins of the corporation except on dissolution, beyond fixed dividends and par value of stock. On dissolution shall receive par value and declared and unpaid dividends and shall participate pro-rata upon a par value basis with Class C Common Stock in unallocated surplus and reserves. No voting rights nor are holders entitled to notice of meetings of member shareholders except that in the event that a minimum dividend aggregating 3% is not declared on Class A Common Stock with respect to any period of two (2) consecutive years following September 1, 1950, holders of such stock shall be entitled to vote for directors only in person or by proxy, one vote per share held at all meetings at which directors are to be elected, until a legal dividend of at least 3% is declared.

CLASS B COMMON STOCK

Redeemable at option of corporation at par plus declared and unpaid dividends on ten (10) days notice. Entitled to an annual non-cumulative dividend at the discretion of the board of direcfors up to but not exceeding 3%, payable annually out of surplus or reserves derived from business done by non-member patrons. Not entitled to participate, upon dissolution or otherwise, beyond declared and unpaid dividends and par value. Entitled to prior lien on assets in liquidation over Class C Common Stock but subject to the prior lien of Class A Common Stock. Non-

CLASS C COMMON STOCK

Shall be issued to and held only by persons or firms holding or owning a minimum of \$50.00 par value Class A Common Stock or fulfilling such other requirements as may be established by provide that the present field service men of Farm Bureau Ser- premium for shell color.

Bureau and the Farm Bureau Services, Inc. shall own and hold only after having been offered to the corporation at par and then only to persons or firms eligible to own and hold such share. Subject to redemption at the option of the corporation at par value in case holder is determined by the board of directors to be eligible, or shall have done anything prejudicial or inimical to the interest, welfare and purposes of the corporation. Entitled to no dividends. Entitled to one (1) vote per share in person or by proxy.

CAPITALIZATION

Farmers Petroleum Cooperative, Inc. is capitalized as follows

	JUNE	E 4, 1	948		
	Number of Shares Authorized	Number of Shares outstanding	Par Value per Share	Paid-in Capital	Orginal Consideration Received
Class A Common	300,000	5	\$10.00	\$50.00	Cash
Class B Common	200,000	. None	\$10.00	None	
Class C Common	100,000	20,000	\$ 1.00	\$20,000.00	Cash

TOTAL PAID IN CAPITAL - - - - \$20,050.00

PURPOSE OF ISSUE

The Class A Common Stock of the Farmers Petroleum Cooperative, Inc. is being sold to provide funds for establishing a more complete petroleum service for the farmers of the state of Michigan. The critical shortage of petroleum products has rendered it imperative that farmers acquire some of their own properties and facilities for the production of crude oil in order that refined products may be supplied by their own organization in sufficient quantities to carry on their farming operations. For the past several years the Farm Bureau Services, Inc., a state wide farm supply purchasing cooperative, has been able to supply farmers with their requirements of petroleum products by purchasing them on the open market and by contracting with suppliers. During the past year these supplies of liquid fuels have progressively become more scarce until the present supply is entirely inadequate. The only solution to this problem of supply seems to be for farmers to procure supplies of crude oil which can be converted into refined products either by contracting with some outside refinery or eventually purchasing a refinery. It is expected that crude oil will be obtained by purchasing crude oil properties, obtaining a call on crude oil production, and to a limited extent through exploration of unproven

The purchase of a minimum of \$250,000 of the Class A Common Stock of this organization will enable the organization to acquire a small portion of the crude oil necessary to supplement the existing source of liquid fuels. In order to provide funds for procuring crude oil in sufficient quantities to replace the fuel volume of Farm Bureau Services, Inc. which has been lost through contract reductions and cancellations by suppliers, a minimum of \$1,000,000.00 should be immediately raised, through the sale of securities of this offering.

Class C Common Stock is to be sold to prospective patrons of CURRENT ASSETS the organization in order to qualify them for voting rights and patronage dividend rights.

Should it appear advisable at some future time to purchase refining facilities it will be necessary to raise additional finances. through the sale of stock, the amount of which may vary from TOTAL ASSETS \$1,000,000 to \$3,000,000 depending upon the capacity of the plant involved.

STABILITY OF THE BUSINESS

Farmers' money invested in securities of the Farmers Petroleum Cooperative, Inc. will be utilized in their own business of providing a more adequate supply of petroleum products for their farming operations. While the Farmers Petroleum Cooperative, Inc. is a newly organized association it will have an established distribution system, provided the necessary funds are raised through the sale of securities. This distribution system was built up over a period of several years by Farm Bureau Services, Inc. It is expected that this portion of the Farm Bureau Services, Inc. business will be transferred to the Farmers Petroleum Cooperative, Inc. as soon as funds are raised to insure adequate working capital. The volume of business of the petroleum department of Farm Bureau Services, Inc. has increased steadily as is indicated by the growth of volume between the year ending 1937 and the year ending 1947 from \$258,000.00 to over \$2,000,000.00.

PRODUCTS HANDLED

The Farmers Petroleum Cooperative, Inc. will handle a complete line of petroleum products consisting of gasoline and other iquid fuels, motor oils, and greases, tires, tubes, batteries, and other automotive supplies. The association will also purchase TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL equipment for its dealer organization. This line of supplies should provide a good volume of business in all seasons of the year. However, the business being of a seasonal character the argest volume handled will be in the spring and the summer months. Not in excess of 20% of its purchases made for patrons will be made for any single person or customer. These supplies for the present time, will be purchased from former sources of FARM SAFEGUARDS supply of Farm Bureau Services, Inc. As opportunities arise for the purchase of crude oil production properties the organization expects to acquire crude oil and contract with some refinery on two-year extension of the Reciproa contract basis to refine the oil into liquid fuels. These fuels cal Trade Agreement Act with adeand supplies will be distributed through the present dealer The safeguards suggested by the organization of Farm Bureau Services, Inc. The greater por- AFBF are: tion of these supplies will be handled through some 38 local cooperative bulk stations.

OWNERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT

The Farmers Petroleum Cooperative, Inc. is a newly organized of Section 22 (an amendment of cooperative organization formed by the Michigan Farm Bureau. All of the present outstanding capital stock was subscribed and paid for by the Michigan Farm Bureau in order to incorporate farm programs. the Farmers Petroleum Cooperative, Inc. as a cooperative. The board of directors of the Farmers Petroleum Cooperative, Inc. expects to enter into a management arrangement whereby the Farm Bureau Services, Inc. will furnish supervisory, administrative, and accounting services. The arrangement will also

member shareholders. No shareholder except the Michigan Farm vices, Inc. will represent Farmers Petroleum Cooperative, Inc. EDUCATION ASS'N in contacting the local distribution points. The fees charged more than one (1) share of Class C Common Stock. Transferable, for the above services will be assessed as nearly as can be determined on a cost basis. The executive secretary and treasurer of Michigan Farm Bureau, Farm Bureau Services, Inc., and TAX LIMIT Farmers Petroleum Cooperative, Inc. is Mr. Clark L. Brody who has been in charge of Farm Bureau organizations since 1921.

COOPERATIVE PATRONAGE REFUNDS

It is proposed to pay patronage refunds to member shareholders, if and when earned, on the basis of the volume of business transacted with the corporation. The distribution of these patronage refunds will be accomplished by the local distributing valuation (50mills) could be the gas well at any time, point keeping patronage records on all business done by the members of this corporation, which records will be used in determining each member's share of the patronage refunds due. These patronage refunds may be paid by notice of allocation, issuance of certificates of indebtedness, equities, debentures or years by a simple majority vote of stock or paid in cash. The manner of payment of these patron- the electors. At present a twoage refunds will depend to a great extent upon the amount of original capital raised through the sale of Class A Common

PAYMENT OF DIVIDENDS

Due to the fact that the corporation will not engage in any business activities before September 1, 1948 there is no possibility of payment of dividends for this period. Thereafter successfully numerous bills offerdividends will be declared when funds are available in accord- ed in the legislature to weaken the ance with the terms of the articles of incorporation, a condensed statement of which appears on page 3 of this prospectus.

1948 OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS OF THE FARMERS PETROLEUM COOPERATIVE INC.

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	Roy D. Ward Jesse E. Treiber	Dowagiae, Michigan Unionville, Michigan	President Vice-Preside		
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	Thomas Berghouse .	Falmouth, Michigan	Director		
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	Lloyd W. Ruesink	Adrian, Michigan	Director		
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	Arthur C. White	Howell, Michigan	Director		
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FINANCIAL

A balance sheet as of June 4, 1948 is included as a part of this prospectus. Similar statements and in addition a condensed operating statement will be furnished each stockholder requesting this information each year. Condensed balance sheets will be furnished each shareholder each year. There are no suits or judgements existing against Farmers Petroleum Cooperative.

FARMERS PETROLEUM COOPERATIVE, INC. BALANCE SHEET

June 4, 1948 ASSETS

Cash on Deposit OTHER ASSETS Organization Expense

LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL

CURRENT LIABILITIES CAPITAL Class A Common Stock - Maximum 5%

Non Cumulative - \$10.00 Par Value Authorized 300,000 shares \$3,000,000.00 Unissued 299,995 shares 2,999,950.00

Issued 5 shares Class B Common Stock - Maximum 3% Non Cumulative - \$10.00 Par Value

Authorized 200,000 shares \$2,000,000.00 200,000 shares 2,000,000.00 Unissued Issued Class C Common Stock - No dividends

Authorized 100,000 shares \$ 100,000.00 80,000 shares 80,000.00 Unissued 20,000 shares Issued \$20,000.00

TOTAL CAPITAL PAID IN

\$1.00 Par Value

\$20,050.00 \$20,050.00

AFBF URGES 2 YR. TRADE ACT WITH

The American Farm Bureau Federation recommended, again, the quate safeguards for farm products.

(1) Provision for modification or withdrawal of any trade concession in the event that it causes serious injury to domestic producers. (2) Retention of quota provisions

in the agreements, and maintenance the Agricultural Adjustment Act) providing for import quotas or fees when needed to protect domestic

(3) Continuation of periodical reiew by Congress as a check on administration of the agreements.

Shell color may affect egg price. war. Yet there is absolutely no advan-

Swine Meet To Be Held at Charlotte A big day is planned for the

nce at the Charlotte Fair Grounds on Wednesday, July 21, says W. N. McMillen, swine specialist at Michigan State College. The program will begin with a

Mixley, MSC livestock specialist, will present the leading production registry sows of several breeds with their litters. A basket lunch is planned for

noon. Several breed associations are planning meetings during the conference, McMillen reports.

Business Failures

Small business men are going through the wringer at an increas ing rate. In the first four months of 1948, more than 1600 firms failed, the worst record since before the

Retail stores, hotels, launderies, ing factories are having it toughest to 5 per cent.

Michigan Education Ass'n has iled petitions with the Secretary of State to place on the November pallot a constitutional amendment tax limitation law.

Adoption of the MEA proposal limit rather than \$15 per thousand

(15 mills) now. The MEA proposal provides that the millage in any assessing district could be raised to not more than 50 mills for not more than 20 thirds majority is required for increasing the millage and the in crease is limited to five years.

MEA says that the proposal is meant for financing school buuild ings, but the proposal itself does not mention school houses, capital

improvements, or debt retirement The Farm Bureau is opposed to the amendment and has opposed protection given by the 15 mill law.

If the MEA petitions have enough signatures to qualify the proposal for the ballot, it will be one of six proposals on the ballot in November. One would authorize calling of a constitutional convention, as suggested by the legislature. An other constitutional amendment provides this order of succession to the office of Governor in case of vacancy: Lieutenant Governor, Sec'y of State, Attorney General, State Treasurer, Auditor General.

Two other proposals would re move the salary limitations in the constitution for state officials and for members of the legislature.

Another proposal would amend the constitution to repeal the sales tax diversion amendment for schools and local governments adopted in 1946.

BRIGHT FUTURE PREDICTED FOR FARM INCOMES

American farmers can expect fairly good incomes during the next | inite legal equity, and there is a quarter of the century if the nations work out a stable peace program, according to a study made by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics for the House Committee on Agri-

United States' exports will depend on this country's policies as well as those of other countries. If we export considerable quantities of goods, we must also eventually import goods. Imports are the final \$ 20,050.00 means of paying for exports, ac-

The Bureau stated that success or failure on recovery in Europe NONE will play a big part in determining how much of our farm production will be taken. Increasing restrictions on international trade could cut down our foreign trade, However, the world needs American farm products. The world popula tion is steadily increasing.

> Farmers have increased output of food and fiber about 2/ since 1910. At the same time, the number of people on farms has de creased. Mechanism and other technological developments such as improved weed and insect control help increase the volume and efficiency of production, and at the same time, reduce the number of farm workers needed. The rate at which farm production will increase will depend in part on farmers themselves and their future markets. More food and fiber will be poduced by fewer farmers.

HARD WORK,

It's hard work but it surely pays oig dividends. That's the Graydon Blank, Michigan State college animal husbandry specialist, describes dipping sheep to control ticks. Not many flocks were dipped during the war years and Swine Type and Production Confer- this caused an increase in the sheep tick population Spring and early summer are

good times to kill ticks. Dipping the entire flock with arsenical dip is preferred. Portable dipping vats judging contest at 10 a. m., with are operated in a number of coun-J. S. Coffey of Ohio State Univer- ties by private individuals or b sity as judge. Type classes will be FFA chapters and other organizadiscussed at 1 o'clock and Harry tions. Flock owners should consult their county agricultural agent outfits.

The yearly wool production on some flocks have been increased as much as two to three pounds per head after the ticks were controlled. Additional benefits are derived the ewe flock.

tage to the consumer in paying a building material firms and cloth- have a protein content as low as 2

RIGHTS RESERVED MAY BE PROBLEM

Farm Bureau members in some ections of Michigan have become quite aroused recently to learn that they do not have clear title to to change drastically the 15 mill their property. In other words, eral rights and could come onto would mean that \$50 per thousand their land and put down an oil or

> Last fall the Bay County Farm Bureau sent to State Farm Bureau headquarters a resolution asking that the legislature be re quested to enact a law so that where no effort has been made to develop such reserved mineral rights in 30 years, they should revert back to the property owner who owns the surface soil.

This resolution was given careful consideration by the resolutions comittee of the Michigan Farm Burean which was in session for some days prior to the annual meeting of the board of delegates of the Michigan Farm Bureau last November. They finally decided to refer it to the board of directors of the Michigan Farm Bureau for their further study and any action which they might deem appropriate.

The directors placed the matter on their schedule of business and asked their legislative counsel, Stanley M. Powell, to report on the matter. Mr. Powell stated that the problem presented in this resolution is a very difficult one. Mineral rights which have been reserved constitute a definite equity which cannot properly be taken away from the holder by any ordinary legislation, Mr. Powell stated that one step in this connection was taken by Public Act 200 of 1945. This required people who have any interest in property, such as mineral rights or a right of way, to rerecord such interest every 40 years or forfeit their right, in which case it would revert to the owner of the surface land.

"I think we all feel a very proper and natural sympathy for the folks who have developed farms and homes and who are distressed at the thought of the owner of the mineral rights coming on and putting down an oil or gas well on such property," Mr. Powell reported. "On the other hand, the owners of the mineral rights do have a defquestion as to how far the legislature could go in depriving them of their ownership right. I understand that there is some question that the 1945 law mentioned above might be declared unconstitutional if it were carried into the Supreme Court.

"The state of Michigan has reserved the mineral rights on the real estate which it has sold since 1909 except in the case of lots in cities and villages. On such lots the mineral rights were not reserved."

If anyone is in doubt as to whether or not he owns the mineral rights in connection with his land, it would be a good thing to check into this matter and see whether or not he has clear title to the mineral rights as well as to the surface land on his farm.

NUMBER BEANS IN POD DETERMINES VALUE OF CROP

The number of beans in each pod can make a big difference in the yield of the bean crop, rejorts H. R. Pettigrove, Michigan State College beam specialist. When an eight bean pod is reduced by one, the yield is cut by one-eighth immediately. Reduce it by two and you have a 25percent reduction or just threefourths of a crop of beans. Pettigrove says that it takes ex-

cellent management to get a bean crop-with pods carrying seven and eight beans per pod. Cultivation is an important practice in bean production. The careless operator may remove plants from the row with the cultivator which brings a loss in bushels per acre.

Cultivation is necessary to control weeds, but extra cultivation furnishes little more than exercise for the farmer. The use of a weeder in the early stages of growth and then the cultivator as it is necessary to control weeds, will give the maximum return on bean soils.

Livestock Pamphlet Published By USDA

"Save Grain By Controlling Internal Parasites" is a new publicaregarding the location of dipping tion being made available upon request to the Department of Agriculture's office for food and feed conservation. This publication points out that

internal parasites of livestock cause an annual 125,000,000 loss and brand from the increased weight of the these parasites as the most lamb crop and from the general treacherous of livestock pests beimprovement in the thriftness of cause their hidden work goes on day and night. Information contained in the

There are some people who like phamplet will help control the most okes-when they are on the other injurious species of internal parasites. The leaflet is available through county agricultural agents. Ripe and dried up grass may Michigan State College, and the USDA Office of Information, Wash ington 25, D. C.

The Farmer's Stake In Industrial Wages

Background Material for Discussion this Month by Our Community Farm Bureau Discussion Groups

By NORMAN K. WAGGONER, Research and Education If average industrial wages are 90c per hour or \$1.35 per hour, what does it mean to the farmer? If labor is lations program during the month given a 15% increase in wages or a corresponding decrease, how does that affect the price of things which farmers buy? How does it affect farm wages and the number of workers available? Do high wages always the weather is usually very favor mean full employment? Does it always mean full production?

Mr. George Romey, General Manager of the Automo-plans for their patrons' annual bile Manufacturers Association, points out that a foundry most important meeting of the year. in Cleveland is using 25% more men than before the war It is at this meeting that the pato get the same production. He also cites the case of a tions and the progress of the actool company's new methods and equipment which were tivities carried on by Farm Burdesigned to raise production almost 50%, and now finds also have an opportunity at this that their efficiency is 15% lower than before making time to elect members to represent them on their advisory committee. such improvements. Full employment may or may not They will select a delegate to atmean capacity production. The following table gives some information as to the relationship between the tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, number of people unemployed, the National income, and farm prices: 1933 1945

No. of Unemployed	11,800,000	no
Farm Prices as a per		
cent of Parity	81%	16

It has been said that towering above all other consideration is our need for nearly full employment and unrestricted production. These are important to everyone savings of FBS by purchasing together with the known increase to be served to the group by a cafeand not the least to farmers. High level employment in plies. He outlined the history of non-agricultural industry at a satisfactory wage means the feed department from its beprore to the farmers than any farm program the govern- steady progress, which in a large ment may attempt. Manipulations of agricultural production and prices are not substitute for consumer mar-lent results obtained by patrons kets. When consumers have a certain income to spend, the portion they spend for food is expended at retail prices. What the farmer receives is this price less the build a sizeable equity in FBS by marketing costs. Marketing costs vary with the amount of handling and processing required. For example, the described in detail the numerous farmer last month received 73% of the consumer's dollar spent for eggs as compared with 15% of the consumer's tion dollar spent for canned peaches. The dairies in one tion conferences was held during city in Michigan have raised the price of milk to con- the month of June around the folsumers two cents a quart in order to raise the price of Farm Supply, Armada; the Evart milk to the farmers equivalent to one cent a quart.

When the farmer receives only 15% of the consum-Bloomingdale; and Kleinheksel's er's dollar spent for breakfast foods, the question might be asked, "Would the farmer be better off if a portion of the farm products were not channeled into these products, or would the entire market be depressed if this proved plows, harrows and other market did not prevail?" To carry this thought of marketing costs a step further, it is interesting to note that the direct labor cost averaged one-half of the total marketing cost of farm products during the past 17 years. It has recently been cited that if farmers in the Chicago Milk Shed gave their milk away, it would still cost the consumer 13 cents a quart.

stake in industrial wages?

The farmers is in the labor mar-

the last 26 years has shown that

and vice versa. It is also shown

that when industrial wage rates

were high, farm wages also were

high. This is one raeson why farm

wages have increased three times

The level of industrial wages

"Make safety our No. 1 crop," is

Members, who are taking part in

since pre-war days.

Farmers are concerned with the Labor costs count for over 55% of distribution of urban income. Larger incomes to the higher income the total operating revenue of the groups will not increase materially their purchases of food, but larger incomes to the lowest income groups will considerably increase ket. When times are good from an their purchases of food. It has been economic standpoint, the farmer is observed that the low income anxious to produce to capacity. He groups have never consumed as is anxious to hire labor. Industry is much food as they would if they doing the same thing, and so his had the purchasing power. The fol- wages must compete with those of lowing table gives some informal industry if he is going to attract tion on the per cent of the family desirable labor. Experience during

income spent for food: Percent of income any time labor in industry was Spent for food short, it was also short on farms Annual Income \$ 1,000-\$ 2,000 25 2,000- 3,000 22 3,000- 4,000 4,000- 5,000 18

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10.000-and over As incomes increase, not only do people consume more food, but a seems to be reflected in the price of different kind of food. The human things which farmers buy, the type stomach has a capacity of about 40 and quality of the produce which ounces, which may be filled with the consumer demands. Wage rates corn meal or it may be filled with seem to be reflected in marketing animal products. It has been calcu- costs and the cost and supply of lalated that if a housewife were to bor. It is even reflected in the feed a family of 4 on dairy and health and the well-being of the livestock products for 2 days, they farm family. It is for this reason would consume meat products to that we ask, "Do farmers have a the equivalent of 280 lbs. of corn. stake in industrial wages?" It has also been calculated that the man with a \$3,500 income buys 7516 more fruit, 50% more meat. 4-H Slogan "Make 40% more dairy products, and 25% Safety No. 1 Crop"

earns \$1,250 a year. It is very likely that industrial the 1948 slogan of the 4-H Club wages are reflected in the things boys and girls throughout the nafarmers buy. Generally, it has been tion to help reduce the annual toll accepted that about 70% of the re- of 18,000 deaths and the 1,750,000 tail price of most manufactured persons injured on farms due to goods is labor cost. This, of course, accidents. runs higher in some items than in others. In June, 1939, the cotton the national 4-H farm safety accifarmer received 10 cents a pound dent program in an effort to safefor cotton; the Michigan farmer guard their families against accipaid \$1.61 for a pair of overalls. dents, are removing or correcting Last March, cotton was bringing 33 hazards on their farms. The safety cents a pound, and the same over- measures include nailing down alls were selling for \$3.59 a pair. boards in homes and barns, cover-Here the farmer noticed the result ing open walls on wells and water of increased costs of things other tanks, properly storing tools, exerthan raw material. During the last cising care in operating farm ma-19 years, nearly one-fifth of the chinery and automobiles on highgross freight revenue of Class I rail- ways. roads was derived from the trans- Last year's state winner in Michportation of agricultural products, igan was Arden Peterson of Ionia.

PATRON RELATIONS ANN'L MEETINGS

At a recent meeting of the Farm Bureau Services' district men, Oscar Anderson, director of the Patrons Relations program, outlined plans for holding all annual meetings of dealers in the Patrons Re-

"October was selected," Mr. Anderson said "because most patrons will have the bulk of their fall work completed by this time, and

able for holding such meetings." Planning conferences will be held by the Advisory Committee during August and September to make meeting, which is considered the tend the annual meeting of Farm Bureau Services, Inc., which is

The Farm Produce Company o Cass City has joined the other 67 dealers participating in the Patrons Relations program. The patrons information conference was held at the Cass City high school, the early part of June, with 58 patrons of the Farm Produce Company attending.

R. H. Addy, manager of Farm Bureau Services' feed department advised the patrons as to the advantages of participating in the Farm Bureau feeds and other supusing the feeds. Mr. Anderson discussed the pa

trons program at the meeting. He holding the debentures which are

Other patron commodity informalowing dealer points: Laursen's Co-operative Company, Evart; the Bloomingdale Milling Company, Feed Service, McCords.

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Cartels Make Prices Artificially High Artificially high prices on radio

sets, electrical appliances, photographic equipment, business ma chines, iron and steel, nonferrous metals, glass and optical equip ment result from cartel practices in those industries, charge George Stocking and Myron W. Watkins in their book, "Cartels or Compe tition," just published by the Twentieth Century Fund

BELL INSTALLS 50,000 RURAL

50,000 rural telephones have been installed in Michigan since VJ-Day by the Michigan Bell Telephone

Theodore H. Dawson, head of the ompany's farm-line development program, said the gain since 1945 telephones in Michigan Bell's rural area to the 130,000 mark.

Pointing out that the 50,000 gain entire rural "telephone population" before the war, Mr. Dawson said the relative demand for service in in urban centers.

"The extent of that demand is and ended the year with 13,000-de-

pany's liberal construction plan un- hat. der which farm lines are being Upon request the plant managebuilt and to improved rural service

Under a plan established in 1940 and further liberalized two years ago, no charge is made for construcal families in the company's terri-

of dial service in rural areas and a reduction in overloaded farm lines. The company's twin objective, he operation and to reduce the number of parties on rural lines to a maximum of eight. Today, only 14 per cent of Michigan Bell rural lines have more than that number.

Introduction of new construction methods the last few years that have brought about greater economies have aided the rural program. Dawson continued. He cited such developments as long-span wire and the use of buried wire in certain areas. Still in the experimental is the use of carrier equipment on fortune.-Herodotus.

BUREAUS VISITING

Delegations from Jackson, osta, Oceana and Mason, and Laeer County Farm Bureaus visited the Farm Bureau fertilizer plant juices. at Saginaw during June. They say its a great experience.

County delegations scheduled so far for July include: Montcalm July 8, Oakland July 25, and Wayne

Sometime in August these County Farm Bureau delegations will visit the plant: Genesee, Eaton, Shiawas see, Clinton, Ingham, Ionia and Barry. Their dates will be announce

Farm Bureau Services wants the Farm Bureau membership and parons of farmer co-operatives to see the gigantic new fertilizer plant in operation. So it has invited County Farm Bureaus to organize tours has brought the total number of this summer and fall. Services has organized a tour which includes some 35 points of interest in the two acre building. Guides take since VJ-Day equaled the company's groups through and explain the

County Farm Bureaus are asked to apply for a date through the farm areas today is ahead of that Farm Bureau district man. He is to make applications to Fred Harger, director of production and shown by the fact that we started manufacturing for FBS at Lansing, the year 1947 with 12,000 on the at least two weeks in advance of the waiting list in our rural territory date sought. Plant tours will be scheduled Monday through Friday, spite an increase of 16,000 in the 10 to 12 noon and 2 to 4 p. m. number of rural telephones in ser- Visitors are advised not to wear vice during the year." Dawson said, their best clothes. They should The heavy rural demand was at- bring along a jacket or overalls to tributed by Dawson to the com- protect their clothing. And an old

> ment will arrange for a noon meal ment has been very satisfactory.

The fertilizer plant will be busy in July. It will be receiving all tion up to one-half mile of farm types of materials and will be manu-Thus, telephone service is facturing superphosphate and mixavailable to 85 per cent of the rur- ing complete fertilizers for the fall The plant management tory without any construction hopes to be able to show all visiting groups all parts of the plant in

It is estimated that by the last of July the mixing plant will have around 17,000 tons of materials said, is to achieve 100 per cent dial and mixed fertilizers on hand. Shipping will be under way. The acidulating plant will be well along with building up a 5,000 ton stock pile of superphosphate.

There is every indication that with a full supply of materials, the highly mechanized Farm Bureau plant can go far beyond its rated annual capacity of 45,000 tons of mixed fertilizer and 30,000 tons of superphosphate.

Every measure undertaken with temerity is liable to be perplexed stage as to economy of operation with error, and punished by mis-

"Seal of Quality" is given potatoes passing the new cook-test in

Tomato Growers Must RECEIVES FINE Get Bigger Yields

Tomato growers are going to have to obtain high yields if they are to get favorable returns for their own

The smaller movement of tomato juices into consumption has result ed largely from competition of

Efficiency in production will decitrus growers in supplying the na-

BUSKIRK AND

ident of the Michigan Farm Bureau and Roy D. Ward of Dowagiac president of Farm Bureau Ser vices. Inc. have returned from months study of European agricul tural conditions.

With a group of northeastern Farm Bureau and co-operative leaders they visited the farming areas of England, France, Holland, Belgium and Germany.

"If anyone has an idea that the United States is going to get through with this thing in five vears," said Mr. Buskirk," he had better take another look. If we do make up our mind to quit in five years, we can get ready to fight.

"Every time we moved from on country to another, a set of con ditions were found that made a dif ferent picture of the whole prob When we came home we go together on the boat and put the pieces together. We should have story for the Michigan Farm

"The United States may have ome imperfections, but there isn't one of the countries abroad that doesn't have the same imperfec tions and usually on a larger scale Every man in our party was glad to see the Statue of Liberty and glad that he carried an American

He that will not reason is a bi got; he that cannot reason is fool; he that does not reason is

If you see rats now and then on your farm at night, there are 100 to 500 of them.

Dr. C. T. Lewerenz of Chicago who lower war-time prices for citrus was charged by the State with making a false application for refund of gasoline tax, was fined \$400.00 termine, largely, whether tomato and costs of \$100.00 by Judge E. A. growers can hold their own with Westin in circuit court at St Joseph, Michigan on June 21, 1948.

Lewerenz, who owns a farm near St. Joseph, was accused by the Gas oline Tax Division of the Department of State of using the gasoline for highway purposes instead of for farm work as he had claimed in an application for refund of tax. Routine investigation of the Le werenz claim by E. J. Dickerson, Department of State field investigator, disclosed information lead ing to the conviction.

The Department of State, after investigation of claims, refunds approximately \$3,000,000.00 of highway funds annually, 70 percent of claims

Meat Supply To Be Lowest In 7 Years

Meat production in 1948 will be around 10% less than the 23.4 billion pounds produced in 1947 ascording to the Department of Agriculture's Bureau of Agricultural Economics. This expected total output will be the smallest since 1941. Meat supplies are expected to reach the lowest point of the year during July, August and Sep-

Machinery

Michigan State college farm safety specialists say that farm machinery of all kinds was involved in more than one-fourth of the accidents to farmers in 1947. Out of every five people killed in farm accidents, one was due to machinery. Burns, falls, livestock, explosions, and other miscellaneous causes accounted for the rest.

which is for gasoline used on farms. To protect state highway funds, Mr Alger, Secretary of State, has insisted on a thorough checking of





POULTRY RAISERS

1. PULLETS-Don't neglect them. They are next winter wage earners. Give them

(a) Cull out the markedly inferior birds week by week.

(b) Furnish a good pasture range. It can save mash costs and promote health, vigor, and vitality. Plan on Ladino Clover next year. Not over 1 lb. per acre. Use with June Clover or Alfalfa. You'll get more protein in a compact package. Clip back if growth gets too large and woody.

(c) Keep Farm Bureau Mermash before them-part of the day at least. (You never need to change mash and upset your pullets.) Get pullets used to whole, heavy unground oats-keep grit before them, too.

(d) Furnish range shelters for protection from sun and storm. Change locations if possible—also of feeders and fountains.

(e) Fight lice, mites, and Cocciddia.

2. SUMMER LAYERS-Good practices can hold production up while prices of eggs

(a) Keep hens comfortable by (1) insulated houses, (2) cross ventilation,

(3) Wet feed sacks in house to increase evaporation.

(b) Dispose of lice and mites (roost paints-repellants on roosts, nests,

(c) Sanitation; use good worm medicine; spray house; use lime or superphosphate on manure.

(d) Plenty of water (try to keep fairly cool): Water helps lower temperature-encourages appetite and egg production. Keep grit before birds.

(e) Good feed (means Farm Bureau Mermashes). Mermash pellets at mixture-also lessen amount of scratch used. Coarsely ground feed is

(f) Keep 13 hours of light by use of artificial lights beginning in August.

(g) Break up broody hens quickly. Place in coop at once and feed and

(h) Cull out birds that stop laying. Keep only the long laying ones.

Hang wet feed sacks in laying house to promote coolness.

DAIRYMEN

Sudan pasture for summer—on good ground. Wait until 15 to 18 inches high before pasturing. Balboa Rye sowed in August for fall and early spring pasture. Farm Bureau Dairyflex 18% and grain for supplement will help maintain production and

HOG RAISERS

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