EDITORIAL

Cash on the Barrel Head

The United States government has never repudiated or defaulted on its bonds. Stated right on every U. S. Savings Bond is not only the promise of the federal government to pay the bond at maturity, but also the promise to redeem the bond before maturity if the owner wants his money sooner. The millions of Americans who invested in United States Savings Bonds were given a promise of "cash on the barrel head" when you want it. That promise has been kept and no person needs to feel he is being unpatriotic when he walks into a bank and cashes a Savings Bond. He is simply exercising a right guaranteed to him by a government of which he is a part-just like voting at a federal election.

In spite of that cash-on-the-barrel-head privilege, it may not always be good business for a person to cash a Savings Bond when he needs money for sound business or personal expenses. For example, farmers who need money for operating expenses which they can repay out of a year's income will usually find it to their advantage to borrow from a bank rather than to cash any of their Savings Bonds. The same applies to many situations where a farmer wants to make repairs and improvements which he can pay out of savings from 1 to 2 year's operations. If credit is obtained for the expenses, the bonds will still be available to repay the loan or as a source of cash in case of an emergency. The small difference between the interest rate charged by banks and that received on U.S. Savings Bonds is a cheap price for the security which a reserve in the bonds provides.

Slug the Farm Co-operatives

Public speaking activities of the National Tax Equality Ass'n are to be stepped up. A call has been issued for speakers to address business conventions, service clubs, Chambers of Commerce and other groups on the subject of tax equality. That means slug the farm co-operatives. Prejudice audiences against them. The NTEA states that speakers will be furnished with copies of speech material on the subject so that there will be a general pattern of what should be said.

Unwittingly NTEA has been most beneficial to farm co-operatives. The attempt to tax savings to farmer patrons as corporation earnings has been notice to co-op boards of directors to keep their bylaws, articles of incorporation, and their accounting strictly in line with federal, treasury, and state laws.

NTEA has shown farm co-operatives who their enemies are in business and what they are up to. Every time so far that NTEA and farm co-operatives have gone into battle before committees of Congress and more recently before the platform committees of the Republican and Democrat parties, the co-ops have come out on top.

NTEA has one admirable trait. It gets up after each drubbing and tries again. It's going to take more lickings than they've had to convince the NTEA people that they have farm co-ops as competitors for keeps, and that farmers aren't going to allow themselves to be legislated into a corner.

Farmers in Petroleum Business

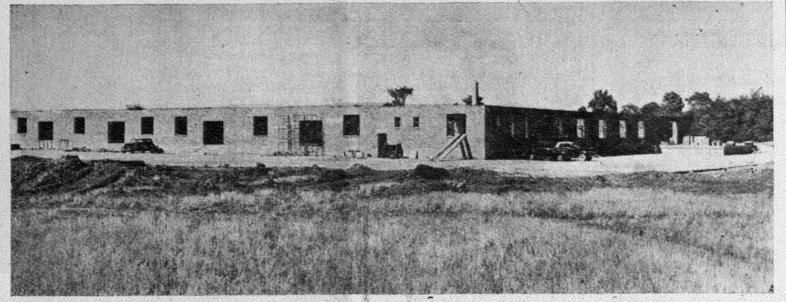
The Oil Industry Information Committee says that few people have any conception of the farm demand for petroleum products.

On American farms today there are more than 3,000,000 tractors. They will use almost three billion gallons of fuel this year. In addition, there are some 10,000 self-propelled combines, two billion farm trucks, five million automobiles, over a million oil-powered engines, and about 9,000 airplanes used exclusively for agriculture.

It is to be expected that farm co-operatives should be paying a great deal of attention to serving their patrons with petroleum products, and to assuring them a source of supply.

Farm co-operatives are becoming producers of crude oil and refiners of petroleum products. Just recently the Illinois Farm Bureau Supply Company, the Midland Co-operatives, and the Farmers Union of St. Paul purchased in Texas five refineries with crude oil production and several hundred miles of pipeline.

Consumers Co-operative Ass'n of Kansas City is a tremendous institution serving farmers in a dozen western states. It operates four refineries, has a thousand producing wells and 1600 miles of pipelines. CCA has begun purchases of Middle East crude oil from the Anglo-American Oil Co. Farm Bureau Services Builds Second Building on 68 Acre Plot at Lansing



In accordance with their building program Farm Bueau Service is completing a new modern, fireproof wholesale warehouse, the second building to be built on the 68 acre plot northwest of Lansing. With the increasing volume of merchandise and farm equipment that has been handled by Farm Bureau Services' present Lansing warehouse located on Shiawassee Street, the building has been very inadequate and need for a new one has been most urgent.

The new warehouse with only a single story and modern loading equipment and facilities is expected to speed up its operations and render a better service to Farm Bureau dealers in the Lansing Area.

RESOLUTIONS DUE NOT LATER

The resolution committee of the Michigan Farm Bureau has already egun to consider the report which t will submit to the voting dele gates at the annual meeting No rember 11-12. The committe ap pointed by President Carl E. Bus kirk, consists of one member from each of the Farm Bureau member ship districts, as follows. District 1-Richard Butcher, Hart

ord. R-2. District 2-Leslie M. Reed, Hor District 3-Clyde Breining, YI

ilanti, R-1. District 4-Ralph Pennock, Nash

District 5-Mrs. Raymond Mu District 6-Bruce Crumback, Ba

District 7-Harry Norris, Casno

ia, R-1. District 8-Elmer Frahm, Frank nmuth, R-1

District 9-Robert Seaberg, Tra erse City, R-1. District 10-Arthur Behning, O ineke, R-1.

The committee met at Michiga Farm Bureau headquarters August attendance. Resolutions already received from County Farm Burhave to make a recommendation Considerable time was devoted vill be submitted to Michigan voters at the November 2 election. On there is truck loading and unload-vices' retail branch store. The four of these the position already

The feeling was that on such natters the policies should be determined by the legislative committee and the board of directors in asmuch as these issues had come up since the last annual meeting of the Michigan Farm Bureau and ould be decided before the dele gates would meet at this year' onvention, Nov. 11-12, 1948.

The chairman of the committee was authorized to establish sub ommittee to make a special inve igation and study of certain imortant and controversial issues Sub-committees were appointed to onsider the following matters: School district reorganization.

Highway finance. Soil conservation coordination. National and international at

State fair.

It was decided that in order to e considered by the Michigan Farm Bureau Resolutions Committee, all resolutions from County Farm Bureaus should be forwarded to State Farm Bureau headquarters to be received there by Novembe. . It was requested that each reso lution be double spaced on a seperate sheet of paper in order to facilitate the work of the commit-

The next meeting of the commitee will be held at Michigan Farm Bureau headquarters on Thursday, eptember 30. This will be an all day meeting and will be devoted argely to work by the various sub-

Railroads had 1.572 Diesel and 123 steam locomotives—a total of 1,695-on order on July, 1948, the greatest number since August 1 1923, when there were 1,772 await-

Services Warhouse Nears Completion

Will Add 10,000 Square Foot Additional Storage Space And Help Speed Up Service

Farm Bureau Services' new wholesale warehouse located on US-16 northwest of Lansing at 3800 North Grand River Avenue, is nearing completion with its | 000 during the past fiscal year, the occupancy scheduled for October 15.

This is the second building to be constructed on the 68-acre tract of land purchased by Farm Bureau Services, Inc., three years ago in accordance with its expansion program. The first building constructed on the site, consisting of a large service garage and repair shop for its transportation fleet of 17 dry and liquid freight trrucks, was completed and occupied early in the spring of 1948. Carl E. Buskirk, president of the

The new, one story wholesale warehouse is of cement block, fireproof construction. It is 240 feet long and 200 feet wide. It is divided into three sections. One section is 40 feet by 200 feet and will house the ware- D. C. representative of the Nationhouse office and a large farm equipment repair parts de- tives, discussed the national and inpartment. The other two sections are 100 feet wide by 200 feet long and will be used for storage.

Along the north side of the building is a railroad siding that is 1.eaus and Community Farm Bur- 700 feet long. Adjoining this raileau groups were reviewed. Many way spur is a 270 foot covered dock, 10,000 square feet of additional treasurer. Three directors elected of the leading and controversial 10 feet wide, for loading and un-floor space over present facilities, issues on which the committee will loading freight cars. The floor of the entire building is level with are five doors leading from this for the past seventeen years. It o consideration of the issues which dock into the warehouse areas. In a three story building with bas to the legislative committee of the apron driveway extending across traffic. Michigan Farm Bureau board of the entire front and on the east side of the modern building

dise put through the warehouse. farm equipment.

The total building project will cost \$175,000.00 and will add about

Farm Bureau Services' present warehouse has been located at 728 Burkholder, Marlette; and George were discussed in a preliminary way. freight car and truck floors. There East Shiawassee Street in Lansing H. Brooks, St. Johns. conjunction with the railway dock ment, and was shared with Ser ing space on the east side of the warehouse depended on a single taken by the board of directors of building with a ramp leading to freight elevator and bottle-necked the Michigan Farm Bureau was and from it. On the south side of at this point. The new facilities approved. On two of the other is the warehouse are four truck load will speed up operations, and there ues a recommendation was made ing doors with a 60 foot cement will be plenty of room for the truck

Farm Bureau Services also has warehouse facilities at Kalamazoo Mechanical equipment consisting Grand Rapids, Saginaw, Traverse of a two ton car loader and a one City and Emmett. Commodities ton Clark truck with hydraulic stored at these points as well as unloading and storing of the vari- lizers, petroleum products, fence. equipment will cut the number of ing. roof coating, paints, insectiwarehousemen required to handle cides, farm machinery, electrical the increasing amount of merchan- appliances, and other miscellaneous

United Nations Day, Oct. 24 A Special Message From President Kline

TO ALL FARM BUREAU MEMBERS:

The observance of UNITED NATIONS DAY in 57 countries gives a unique opportunity to the millions of ordinary men and women throughout the world to express their support of the United Natons and to promote international peace, justice, and security, to help create more international understanding and good will, and to en- \$400,000. This is \$270,000 more than ourage international co-operation. It also affords an opportunity to the \$130,000 which has been raised take stock of the progress of the United Nations and to discuss ways and means of improvement.

As one of the consultants to the United States Delegation to the San Francisco Conference at which the United Nations was established n 1945, I recall vividly the intense conviction of the delegates that this time we must not fail to create a world organization strong enough to check aggressor nations adn preserve world peace. Since then, these high hopes have been dimmed by many discouragements, but we must persevere in our efforts to make the United Nations suc ceed in its basic objectives.

As a member of the National Citizens' Committee, I wish to a peal to all Farm Bureau leaders and members throughout the country to co-operate fully in the observance of UNITED NATIONS DAY on October 24. You can assist by helping to organize local Citizens Com mittees to plan community-wide observances

In addition, it would be very appropriate for each local Farm Bu reau unit to plan a special program for one of its meetings near that date to consider objectives, activities, and progress

UNITED NATIONS DAY gives the peoples of the world a fresh opportunity to rededicate themselves to the basic objectives of the United Nations and to use their influence to make it work more effectively. Sincerely yours, Allan B. Kline, President,

P. S .- For material which may be used in connection with this observance, suggest you write-Francis H. Russell, Director Office of Public Affairs, Department of State, Washington 25, D. C.

MICH. ELEVATOR

200 delegates representing 59 le cal member associations attended the 28th annual meeting of th Michigan Elevator Exchange at th Hotel Olds, Lansing, September 1.

The delegates learned that their orgnizations did a volume of grain and bean business of over \$18,000. argest in the history of the organi-

They went on record to the effect that they felt the support prices received by farmers on some commod iies in no way affected the high cost of living. They also urged the co-operation of other farm organi zations to insist that patronage refunds to members shall not be subject to income taxes before distri-

Michigan Farm Bureau, who recently returned from a month's agricultural tour of western Europe, addressed the meeting on his travels. Roy Hendrickson, Washington al Federation of Grain Co-operaternational grain situation and the fight against farm co-operatives.

Waldo E. Phillips of Decatur wa elected president: Andrew H. Lohman, Hamilton, vice president Geroge Brooks, St. Johns, secretaryto succeed themselves were: M. H. Wallace, Coldwater; Milton J.

LOCAL ASS'NS APPROVE OPTION

senting 50 local associations unanimously authorized the board of directors of Farmers Petroleum Co operative, Inc. to secure an option on the lease of a Michigan refinery finger lifts will speed the loading. Lansing include: feeds, seeds, ferti- with a related contract for a supply of crude oil. At a special meeting of ous types of farm equipment. This steel, aluminum and asphalt roof- co-operative directors and managers concerned with their petroleum supplies, Friday, August 27. at Michigan State College, East Lansing.

> A detailed report was given relaive to the progress of the sale of capital stock for the financing of the new Farmers Petroleum Co-operative, Inc. which started July 1 and is now going on throughout Michigan. It was pointed out that the lease of this particular refinery and its related contract for crude oil would require approximately as of September 1.

The delegates present together with the licensed stock salesmen agreed to assume the responsibility for raising the additional funds necessary before October 15.

The critical situation that faces ural consumers of petroleum fuels throughout the United States, emphasizes the urgency of quickly setting up the Farmers Petroleum Cooperative with adequate capital to do business.

It has been 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

The average freight locomotive per year onsumes approximately one ton of locomotive, the weather, train load Board, bringing their total compenand other factors.

Voters to Receive Variety of Ballots

Seven Proposals To Go Before Voters November 2 As Well As Their Choice of Candidates

> By STANLEY M. POWELL Legislative Counsel, Michigan Farm Bureau

When Michigan voters go to the polls at the general election, November 2, they will receive quite a variety of ballots. In addition to those for registering their choice for candidates for positions to be filled by partisan and non-partisan elections, there will be two other ballots involving in all 7 questions which are being submitted for adoption or rejection by the voters.

A proposal which will be on a ballot by itself involves the question of whether or not a constitutional convention should be called to draft a new constitution for Michigan. This proposal is being submitted as the result of a law passed during the 1947 legislative session. The constitution provides for the submission of the question of a general revision in 1926 and each 16th year thereafter and "at such other times as may be provided by law." The people voted against revision in 1926 and

The delegates at the last annual meeting of the Michigan Farm Bureau went on record against calling a constitutional convention. This position has been re-affirm ed by the Executive Committee and Board of Directors of the Michigan Farm Bureau. A "No" vote on this proposal is being urged by your Michigan Farm Bureau.

The other 6 proposals which are being submitted at the November 2 election will all be on one ballot. They include 5 constitutional amendments and a referendum on a law passed by the 1947 Legislature. These 6 proposals which are numbered serially are as follows:

ional amendment would make definite the order of succession to the Governorship under various cirsuccession is specified only insofar as the Lieutenant Governor and Secretary of State are concerned. The proposal would include also the Attorney General, State Treas urer and Auditor General. At present there is no provision as to who would become Governor if some thing happened to the Governorelect prior to his inauguration This amendment would clear up these deficiencies in our constitution. It has been endorsed by the Board of Directors of the Michigan Farm Bureau and deserves an affirmative vote.

No. 2-Provides for repeal of the Sales Tax Diversion amendment, which was written into the state constitution by the voters at the November 1946 election. The diver sion amendment turns over to school districts and local units of government over three-quarters of the revenue from the Michigan sales tax. Because of its rather weird provisions, it might easily result, in a period of declining state revenues, requiring distribution by the state to local units and school districts, of a sum of money in excess of the entire sales tax re-

Adoption of the sales tax diver sion 2 years ago has demoralized state finances. It is predicted by state officials that during the current fiscal year the general fund surplus of \$221,000,000, will be used up and replaced by a deficit of \$14. 000,000. This means that state re venues will be falling behind cur rent expenditures by \$35,000,000. Obviously, the state cannot continue to operate on that basis.

The Farm Bureau delegates year ago urged adoption of amendment No. 2 providing for repeal of the Sales Tax Diversion Amend ment. This would permit the Legislature to function in apportioning available funds on the basis of need. The present distribution is resulting in serious waste of public money in many instances. If the Sales Tax Diversion Amendment is not repealed, it is obvious that the Legislature will be forced to take drastic steps to re-adjust Michigan's tax and financial policies. Consequences of such action might be seriously detrimental to farm folks.

No. 3-Would remove from he state constitution the present provisions which set the salary of the Governor, Secretary of State, State Treasurer, Anditor General and Attorney General and provide for fixing such compensation by law. At present the constitution provides that the Governor and Attorney General shall be paid \$5,000 annualnually and the Secretary of State. State Treasurer, Commissioner of the State Land Office and Auditor General shall each be paid \$2,500

Actually, these officials have coal for each nine miles traveled al- been paid an extra salary for serthough the distance depends on the vice on the State Administrative sation up to \$7,500 annually, Ob-

No. 1-This proposed constitu-| viously, the figures provided in the present constitution are inadequate, In view of fluctuations in wages and the purchasing power of a dol cumstances. At present the order of lar which occur over a period of years, it is logical that such rates should be fixed by a statute rather

> No. 4-Would remove from the constitution the provision that members of the Legislature should be paid \$3.00 per day and leave the matter of compensation of the lawmakers to be determined by statute. that is, by a law passed by the Legislature and approved by the Governor. This proposal specifies that no change in compensation could be made effective during the term of office for which the Legislature

making the change was elected. It is generally agreed that the present rate of \$3.00 per day is not adequate to cover the actual ex penses of members. It discourages prospective candidates who are "poor but honest." It is felt that members of the Legislature are di rectly responsible to their constituents and would not be liable to es tablish a basis of compensation which would not meet with popu lar favor. The pay of members of

Congress is fixed by Federal law.

No. 5 - Provides far-reaching amendments liberalizing the 15-mill limitation. It is not being submitted as a result of action of the Legis lature which has twice voted down this same proposal. It comes on the ballot as a result of petitions circulated by the Michigan Education Association. It would extend from 5 to 20 years the period for which the millage might be raised above 15 mills anywhere up to 50 mills or 5%, os the result of a single election. It decreases from a two thirds majority to a simple major ity the vote for exceeding the 15

mill limitation. This amendment would not safe guard in any way the use that might be made of the revenue which would result through increasing the tax rate above 15 mills This new money would not be ear marked for capital improvements or debt retirement. While the pro posal is being advocated as a basis for financing construction of new school houses, it is not limited in any way to school houses or capital outlay of any sort. The changes em bodied in this amendment would go far toward destroying the protec tion which the 15-mill limitation in

its present form now provides. This proposal is not in harmony with the position taken by the dele gates at the last 3 annual meetings of the Michigan Farm Bureau, It has been condemned by the Direc tors of the Michigan Farm Bureau and a "No" vote is earnestly adve cated. The same position has been taken by the Executive Committee of the Michigan State Grange and

No. 6-Is a referendum on the Callahan act passed by the 1947 Legislature, which provides for the regulation and registration of foreign agents. Following its enactment by the Legislature and appro-

by the Michigan Farmer.

val by Governor Sigler, it was held (Continued on page two)

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ment in industry means more to the

Kent-Sunny Acres. Mrs. Ella

Buttrick reported on their women's

meeting. She said they had a re

the Women's League of Voters who

asked that the Farm Bureau women

Eaton-West Mt. Hope. The mem-

with other groups by instructing

their secretary, Mrs. Elbert Kelsey,

to write a letter to the Detroit Base

ball Club protesting the advertis

ing of beer on their baseball broad

casts stressing the effect it has on

the young boys and girls who are

reach the Detroit office each day

Clinton-Stoney Creek. They ex

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Mason-Custer. Frank Damkoeh-

during July and August.

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JUNIOR FARM BUREAU

EDITORIAL

Two tankers carrying a total of 230,000 barrels of crude oil for CCA will leave a Persian Gulf port this fall.

Consumers Co-operative Ass'n said that a continued scarcity of crude oil seems to be a grim and inescapable outlook for the immediate future. The Middle East purchases are intended to help bridge the gap until domestic production catches up.

In Michigan the Farm Bureau and associated dealers have built a big petroleum products service for farmer patrons. It requires several thousand barrels of crude oil daily.

This summer the Farm Bureau and dealer associates organized the Farmers Petroleum Co-operatives, Inc. The new co-operative is to take over the petroleum products distribution service and equipment now operated by Farm Bureau Services, Inc. It is to acquire additional sources of crude oil, drill or purchase oil production, and acquire refining facilities as needed in the interest of the farmer membership. The new organization is raising capital from Farm Bureau members, co-op patrons and dealers. It is making good progress.

Community Farm Bureau commissioner has promised the Activities

STAR AWARDS

Gold Star - Benton No. Group, Cheboygan County, Mrs. Mildred Bannatyne, Sec. Silver Star - Crystal Lake

Group, Oceana County, Mrs. Marion Rider, Sec.

Silver Star - North Fabius Group, St. Joseph County, Mrs. Charles Beal, Sec.

CONGRATULATIONS

Amendmentt which will appear on area sometime in August.

the ballot this fall. Hillsdale-Ransom. It was the opinion of this group that we need a better understanding between producer and consumer and that false propaganda is causing much of the

trouble. Jackson-Henrietta-Waterloo. The Don Jordons received a letter from Rev. and Mrs. Smalley relating their recent experiences as missionaries in the Belgian Congo which they read to the group. This group sent a contribution toward an automobile for the Smalley's to aid them in their work. Rev. Smalley worked for a time as a district representative of the Michigan

try than anything else but did not Lenawee-Lrish Hills. The quesfeel that a high level of industrial tion of women's voting rights was wages always resulted in a high discussed. The point was made that level of production. if women had the right to hold office, they should have the right to group entertained their Senator, vote. No definite conclusions were Mr. Edwin Klump and his wife. Afreached. ter the business portion of the meet-

Farm Bureau.

Lenawee-Maple Leaf. The foi- ing Mr. Klump gave very interestlowing resolution was passed. "We the Maple Leaf Community Farm senator, how bills are introduced, Bureau group resolve that the debated, and passed. He told of Farm Bureau signs be Farm Bur- the need for mental hospital facilieau property and so stated in small ties and the consideration necessary print at the bottom of the sign, when appropriations are made for Furthermore, that they be given projects of this sort. He also gave with each membership and be col- an accounting of the proceedings leeted when a membership is drop of the Republican National Conven-

Livingston-Northwest. An an-phia. ouncement was made by Andrew | St. Clair-Kenockee-Emmett. 27 Jackson that instead of a county members present signed a petition picnic this year the county was plan- to have a soil conservation district ning a tour to the new ferilizer set up in their county. Educationplant at Saaginaw sometime in Aug- al pictures were shown on soil

conservation and the group listen-Macomb-Lenox No. 1. Mrs. Bent- ed to a discussion on what proper ly was guest speaver and gave a management and fertilizer could do fine summary of the women's pro- for soil and crops. gram touching on interesting incidents that happened at the women's ler spoke on the condition of mouncamp at Torch Lake. She said that tain schools in Tenessee and West the Farm Bureau women are work. Virginia and stated that the group ing toward having two camps of could adopt a school for \$72 a year as director of the Stanwood Marketthis type next year. The group is thereby helping with necessary ing Association at its annual meetsuggesting to their County Board equipment and lunches. On a moling held the middle of August. that a questionnaire be made and tion by Mrs. Lehman the group Ivan Johnson was elected to succeed sent to future aspirants to political favored action on this project and Preston Kuhn, who retired after offices so that the stand of various donated \$12.80 on their first collector as director for several nominces might be known on ini- tion.

Women's Committee gave a report Hosmer was elected chairman, Wil- was adopted by the members. on the radio program over WPAG liam Rassmussen, discussion lead-Ann Arbor staged the latter part er, and Mrs. Walter Hosmer, secre-

that each would bring one new person to the next meeting to increase Muskegon - Casnovia. A joint

tary. The present members agreed

bers, Grangers, and School Board members was called to consider the rural school question. Over 90 persons attended. As a result of this at their next regular meeting.

the County Fair Board relative to having a project at the fair to donate fruit which would be offered in exchange for contributions to the European Relief for children. This group is also participating in a bee' to repair the Crystal Lake

Saginaw - Saginaw - Kochville. A resolution was passed by this means favoring getting by the MEALS TO 8,000 group favoring action by the State Farm Bureau to keep the surplus food out of competition with nonsurplus food in the United States by being distributed elsewhere.

Presque Isle-Moltke, A commitput through a road to the Beach \$2,500. Grove school so that the children The profit was used to send the would have a better way to go to Waldenwoods' campers to Amherst, of July which helped promote their program of cleaning the roadsides. mittee will be reported at future she reported that the County Road meetings.

Missaukee-Lake Side. Announceuse of a truck to 4-H boys for this ment was made at their July meet- in the project, with 21 counties doing that their social was successful nating food from farms, and 17 and as a result \$27 was raised to be contributing labor. By MRS. MARJORIE GARDNER Kent-South Kent. It was the sent to the Childrens Crusade. This opinion of these Farm Bureau mem- next month they are holding a rie patrons, etc. was all taken care of in cooperation with the Home farmer than government support Economics Club, funds of which will were employed. and it was agreed that higher wages also be given to the Childrens Crudid not result in higher production. sade.

nedy reported that the ladies were would know the food came from planning an ice cream social, the presentative at their meeting from proceeds of which were to go toward the purchase of equipment for the treatment of cancer at the Alparticipate in the program planned pena Hospital. The Social was set hours of work, including labor emaround the Freedom Train by se- for August 14th.

lecting a judge from the Farm Bur- Emmet-East Resort. On a motion St. Joseph-North Lockport. Sen- eau women who in turn will help made by Wilford Steizik and passed ator John Fletcher was guest speak- choose a winner for the best ques- by the group they went on record er for the evening. He gave a sum- tions sent in concerning the Free- as favoring suggestion that Farm mary of the history and explained dom Train. The Freedom Train Bureau authorities answer publicly in detail the State Tax Diversion was expected in the Grand Rapids erroneous charges made over radio programs and in newspapers against farmers to the effect that bers of this group took action at they are responsible for higher their July meeting in cooperation prices.

Voters to Receive Variety of Ballots

up because of the filing of referendum petitions by "left-wing" eleregular listeners of the broadcasts, ments which strenuously objected The different organizations behind to its provisions.

this drive hope that 150 letters will The question before the voters now becomes: Shall the law be upheld and become operative? A majority of Yes votes would sustain the Callahan Act and put it in efproduction is more apt to improve fect. If a majority of the voters vote No, the law would not become

> Our form of government cannot succeed without intelligent participation by the citizens. This involves faithful exercise of the franchise. We must find out about the qualifications of candidates and vote for those whom we feel would best represent our interests. We must also understand what is involved in the various proposals which are submitted to us for de-

> From the foregoing explanation of these 7 pending issues, it is obvious that several of them might very seriously affect our taxes and general welfare. We have much at stake. We cannot afford to be ignorant, indolent or indifferent. To sustain our heritage and protect our interests, we must inform ourselves and then be sure and vote at the primary on September 14 and general election on November 2 and stir up our fellow citizens to do likewise.

Stanwood Mktg Ass'n Holds Annual Meeting

Fred Rosenzweing was reelected

portant issues. This would aid Montcalm-Fenwick. Another group Dan Reed of Pentwater, Farm farmers in casting their votes. of Farm Bureau members organiz Bureau District 7 representative. Washtenaw-Worden. Mrs. Henry ed formally during July as a new read and discussed an amendment Wessel, a member of the County Community Farm Bureau. Walter to the articles of corporation which

Buy Farm Bureau Feeda





Camping-1901

The latter half of August, when we sort of need a rain, When the locusts start to holler in the maples down the lane. Awakes in me the urge to camp the way we used to do When the world was big and peaceful and the century was new, I can see our dusty party on the hayrack as we drove Four long miles that seemed a dozen on the way to Bristols' grove. Again in memory I sense the lake smeel on the breeze And catch again the glitter of the water thru the trees,

First, we helped our father drive the stakes and pitch the tent in a storm of shouted orders fit to shake the firmament; Helped him build the rustic table and its benches each by each, All the while our feet were itching to be wading on the beach; Helped him stretch the big stack cover as an awning overhead; Helped erect the team a manager; helped arrange a shakedown bell; Helped him drag the boat and launch it and secure it to a tree Still I find myself perspiring as it all comes back to me.

Not so many folks went camping in the days of which I write. All the scene was ours for pleasure-not another tent in site. No such things as Conservation yet had reared its ugly head But the bass were huge and hungry-overgrown yet underfed. meeting of the Farm Bureau mem- Father had no fancy tackle, just a heavy stout bamboo And a sack of lively grass frogs and an extra hook or two. There was fishing every morning, every day and every night And the only legal limit was the family's appetite.

meeting a resolution was passed to Mother did no fancy cooking, but she heaped the platter high pledge support and encouragement With stacks of savary fishes fried as only she could fry. to rural school officers and the There was homemade bread in plenty and potatoes steaming hot Farm Bureau agreed to act on it And I guess she made some coffee for the grown-ups, like as not. I could tell you all about it if I had more space and time. Oceana-Crystal Lake. Mrs. Mari- But a fortnight of adventure overcrowds a simple rhyme. on Rider was appointed to contact Now the latter half of August brings it back to me again With a force that makes me shiver and a thrill that's almost pain.

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

JUNIORS SERVED

Michigan Junior Farm Bureau carried the Ionia Free Fair Cafeee made up of Norman Gruelke, teria project to a successful close Herbert Gainer, and Alfred Boeh- for the second consecutive year. Acmer are to meet with the Moltke cording to the manager of the pro-Town Board and the Supervisor to ject, Miss Ruth Parsons, 8,000 meals see if the Road Commissioner will were served, netting a profit of

school. The progress of this com- Massachusetts where they presented a pageant to the American Institute of Cooperation. Thirty-two counties participated

The labor on the floor, serving social and progressive pedro party voluntarily by Junior Farm Bureau members while 7 regular cooks

Large posters were used on the cafeteria walls to depict Michigan Alpena-Bolton. Mrs. Esther Ken- food products so that the patrons Michigan farms.

> To build a railroad box car requires approximately 2,200 manconstruction.

Use Farm Bureau Feeds.

JUNIORS ATTEND FINAL CAMP AT

About 90 campers and staff members gathered at Waldenwoods August 29th for the final camp session. The campers spent etc., that I sometimes wonder, but four days in the development of I certainly find that everybody leadership skills and abilities so that their training might be ap- ery may be as full and complete as plied to local Farm Bureau groups.

taken to the American Institute of Co-operation at Amherst, Mass., to take on more work. hi-lighted the camp period. The gustus is the Name for Caesar", to the Institute.

As in previous years, the campers were sponsored by the commodity exchanges throughout the state and local Farm Bureau or ganizations.

Calhoun and Huron Set Meeting Dates Calhoun County Farm Bureau

has set October 21 for its all-day annual meeting program.

The Huron County Farm Bureau will hold its annual meeting at the of Pinnebog was chosen as the committee chairman.

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We are taking orders for fail delilivery of yearling rams and bred ewes. Make your selection early. Our spring lambs are a sturdy, uniform group. Your inspection is welcomed any time. Mikesell and May. Charlotte. R. 2, Mich. Farm located on US-27 at south city limits. (4-6t-70p)

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It's Good to Get Back on the Job

Alfred Bentall, a familiar figure many Farm Bureau members since 1922, is back on the job part the human race. A doctor said to time with the old time vigor. He had a heart attack in May.



ALFRED BENTALL

Alfred was our second state mem bership director and served from 1922 to 1926. In that year he was asked to build the Michigan Farm and located as centrally as possible. Bureau agency for the State Farm It is their plan to raise the neces-His force of 350 agents have over common non-assessable stock to 90,000 insurance policies in force. Alfred has been a hustler. What he marketing facilities. had to say to his agents about his enforced lay-off makes good read-

It's Good to be Back

"I am taking this opportunity to let my fellow workers in the Michigan Farm Bureau Insurance Agency know how good it seems to part of the time. Between doctors and the family and the office staff, I find myself hedged in by so many "Don't do this" and "Don't do that", "Come up stairs carefully", wants me to be careful that recovpossible. I am now able to spend a The two-day laboratory trip little time in the office each day stabilize livestock marketing and is a veteran of the Army Medical and hope after not too long a time You have all been so kind to me

group presented a pageant, "Au- Literally hundreds of messages, large quantities of flowers and the bedside. All of these things have me want to get better all the sooner. Thanks again to all of you.

"I am begining this month, the igan Farm Bureau and two months more, will begin the 22nd in connection with State Farm Insurance Companies, and certainly these Elkton High School November 4, lowship and acquaintance with all

"Work, something to do, is the greatest blessing that ever came to me several years ago, 'You are getting to the point where you will not wives, as well as their husbands, stop doing what you can do with to represent the Michigan Farm out undue fatigue.' He then told me Bureau women at national conferthat he could, without much ques- ences. tion, point out to me people who would die during that coming win- July, Mrs. Ralph Duryea of Hillster. His prophesy was about right dale County and Mrs. Wesley Mabecause these people that he had in haffy of Sanilac County attended a mind were "retired folks" who short course on "Rural Leader would not have anything to do. If ship" offered by Michigan State you want a moral, an insurance College. People interested in this agency dies when it is not worked subject from all over the United

AGREE ON LIVE STOCK MARKET FOR CENTRAL MICH.

FRED BENTALL"

By B. P. Pattison, Dir. Farm Bureau Commodity Relations

Livestock producers of ten counties in central Michigan are agreed that a Livestock Co-operative Market must be established in the area either buy or build the necessary

County Farm Bureau boards of directors of Bay, Clinton, Gratiot, Ionia, Isabella, Midland, Mecosta, Montcalm, Osceola and Saginaw either have or will select one or more persons to sell stock in the Central Michigan Livestock Yards Co-operative, Inc. to raise sufficient be back on the job, even for a small capital to buy or build the neces sary maketing facilities. Livestock producers meetings either have been or will be held in all these counties, and farmers are determin- bership representative of District ed to have some control over the marketing of their livestock. The concentration of a large volume of livestock with control of its sale in coordination with other similar stock production.

Yards Co-operative, Inc. is a Michi- an appliance store in Lansing. gan Corporation, authorized to sell special Life effort you made the \$100,000 of common non-assessable week of my birthday in the writing stock. Its board of directors is comof Life insurance and attaching of posed of one man from each of the little slips, all of which came to my counties interested. The officers are Lester Allen of Ithaca, President; been mighty encouraging and made Mark Westbrook of Ionia, Vice President; Athold Johnston of pleted during September. We Rosebush, Treasurer; and Harry V Johnson of Carson City, Secretary, your county authorized to sell 27th year of service with the Mich- All the directors and officers are stock and offer your financial asfarm people and the organization sistance.

is farmer-owned and controlled. Livestock producers of this cen tral Michigan area will be offered Gove, St. Johns R1; Gratiot, Lester have been very great years. My fel- the opportunity to invest up to Allen, Ithaca and Charles Mumford, nours of work, including labor employed in the production of steel and other materials required in its main speaker. Charles Manney of the production of steel and other materials required in its main speaker. Charles Manney of the production of steel and other materials required in its main speaker. Charles Manney of the production of steel and other materials required in its main speaker. Charles Manney of the production of steel and other materials required in its main speaker. Charles Manney of the production of steel and other materials required in its main speaker. Charles Manney of the production of steel and other materials required in its main speaker. Charles Manney of the production of the production of steel and other materials required in its main speaker. Charles Manney of the production of the production of the production of steel and other materials required in its main speaker. Charles Manney of the production of the p \$1,000 in stock in the above corpormain speaker. Charles Maynard of my life. The thirteen weeks that salesmen has been selected by each Mumford, Wheeler R1; Midland, the longest period that I have ever county and offering their financial Floyd C. Woodcock, Midland R2; been off a job because of health, county and county quotas estab- Montcalm, Stanley Elder, Greenwhich when one has passed the age lished. This is volunteer work on ville and Rarry V. Johnson, Carson of 76, is a great deal to be able to the part of these people, and it is City; Osceola, Russell McLachlan, say, I am trying to be duly thank- hoped that producers of livestock Evart; Saginaw, Matthew J. Borwill cooperate in the campaign bysenik, Brant R1.

CONFERENCES Although the summer season is very busy one for farm housee able to do so much, but don't four of them have found the time During the first two weeks of

at just as does human life. AL- States were present at this twoweek school. Predominately among those present were rural ministers. Mrs. Duryea is County Chairman of the Hillsdale County Farm Bureau Women's Committee and Mrs Mahaffy is Vice-Chairman of District No. 6, Michigan Farm Bureau Women.

During the week of August 15th, Mrs. Belle Newell, Branch County, and Mrs. Harry Riehl of Traverse City represented the Michigan Farm Bureau women at the fourth annual American Farm Bureau Institute. This institute was held on the campus of the University of Illinois at Urbana; Hlinois. Mrs. Newell is the State Chairman of Michigan Farm Bureau Women, and Mrs. Mutual Automobile Insurance Co. sary finances through the sale of Riehl is County Chairman of the Northwestern Michigan Farm Bureau Women's Committee.

Mrs. Marjorie Karker, Director of Women's Activities of the Michigan Farm Bureau, was also a student at the Farm Bureau Institute.

Schuler New Saginaw Co. Organization Dir.

Victor Schuler has been selected Saginaw County Farm Bureau's organization and publicity director. Mr. Schuler succeeds D. Eugene Brooks, who was elevated to mem-

Mr. Schuler is a native of Dumont, Iowa. His family has been associated with the Farm Burcau and other farm co-operative organimarketing effort will do much to zations in Iowa for many years. He add security to the business of live- Corps. He is married and the father of one daughter. Prior to The Central Michigan Livestock his new job, Mr. Schuler operated

contacting the salesmen for their assistance. If farmers are to have a voice in the marketing of their livestock, they must provide the facilities. It is hoped the job of raising capital can be largely comurge you to contact the person in

The list of counties and authorized salesmen is: Clinton, Maurice Wheeler, R1; Ionia, Mark West

Rural Zele-news



THE RINGS YOU CAN'T HEAR - Many improvements in telephone service come about so gradually that it's sometimes easy to overlook the results. Take the matter of ringing on rural lines, for example. Ten years ago, nearly every rural-line telephone customer served by Michigan Bell heard the rings of all other parties on the line. Today 87 out of every 100 hear the rings of no more than half the parties on their line.

METAL MUNCHER-Squirrels occasionally gnaw holes in the lead sheathing around telephone cables. To prevent damage from moisture reaching the wires through these and other types of punctures, many cables are kept filled with gas. When the gas escapes, lowered pressure sets off an alarm in the telephone central office. Sensitive devices help tell where the break has occurred and a repairman can go out and clear the trouble, in most cases before service is interrupted.





DIAL DECADE - Ten years ago only onetenth of the telephones on Michigan Bell's rural lines were dial. Today, even though the war years temporarily halted the extension of dial service, nearly two-thirds of the rural-line telephones are dial. Michigan Bell's \$13,500,000 5-year postwar rural expansion and improvement program will mean still more rural dial telephones as time goes on.

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Farm Co-ops—Part of Free Enterprise

Whenever we hear a group of leople discussing the question of irmer co-operatives, we almost instably hear some one say they ppose the co-operatives because hey obstruct free enterprise. I alvays wonder if they know what hey are talking about, or if they ust repeat that phrase because it

then the other fellow said it. onvincing me that the farmer is ot equally as right in disposing he crops that he has grown in any nanner he desires, or that he canlot buy the commodities he uses in ris business of production from any gree he prefers.

is crops. He has paid for his purhases just as much as the other ellow asked. Now why is there uch an ado when he wants to have omething to say about either or h transactions? Why do certain ountry as a whole if farmers comine with their fellow farmers and ell or buy as an association? Other roups do, and who has a better ight to do so than the man who roduces the crop or uses the comdities for more production?

Sometime ago, a young elevator man, arguing with me about farmr co-operatives, said they were detvere allowed to continue in growth and number, they would be the reatest menace that ever spread when oats. by referring to his own business. reminded him of the years and lecades the farmers suffered a terific loss through the evil practices



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By MRS. EDITH M. WAGAR | of some elevator men and seed Briar Hill Farm, Carleton, Mich. houses traffcing in foreign grass seed just because they could make more money by so doing. It was the farmer co-ops that helped clean up

I told him that I had no doubt, whatsoever, that if the farmer had not taken the matter into his own hands, he would still be forced to sow inferior seed.

It took the united efforts of the something that sounded smart farm co-ops to secure legislation for protection in the matter and to find sources of quality goods. We thrashed out the matter of buckwheat hull dairy feed and sand filled fertilizer along with other commodities that had been so harmful to the farm people.

He then reminded me of the subsidy the dairy farmer had received The farmer has always taken in the recent past. He asked me if ust what the buyer has offered for I thought that was right. I could readily tell him I did not, but the farmer was forced to take it or to produce milk at a loss. I reminded him that during that time he got at Lansing are, seated left to right: his milk for 15 cents a quart, so Vo-Ag instructors Charles Lang- Bureau Services, Inc., kneeling. the consumer had the benefit of don, Williamston; D. W. Dalgleish,

> ers are moving as rapidly as they should in the matter of co-operation. Are we getting all that we ate term papers on co-operatives should of the consumer's dollar and membership relations are: E. when he buys products made from our crops?

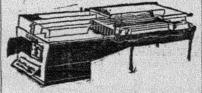
We were told at a conference of manufacturers and farmers held a few years ago at Michigan State imental to our country, and if they College that the consumer paid more for the carton it was packed in than he did for the contents when he bought a box of rolled

> There are 3 pounds of oats in a carton that costs 39 cents and there are 32 pounds in a bushel of oats when the farmer sells his crop. A carton of potato chips costs 30 cents er's business and just what the confor 51/2 ounces and there are 960 suming public might say about it. ounces in a bushel of potatoes. A box of cheerios, made of oatmeal, holds 7 ounces at a cost of 18 cents, and there are 512 ounces in a bushel of oats.

Some years ago, at a meeting of the State Grange, a national baking why not, in order to buy a hog, see man told us that a loaf of bread would not cost any more if the take a swill pail, an oiler, a self

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ing 2, 4-D, the specialists advise.



Using the recently installed | J. Young, Educational Director, tains a complete collection of Ameri-Farm Bureau Co-operative Library Michigan Ass'n of Farmer Co-op- can Institute of Co-operation yearroups feel it is harmful to our that terrible subsidy more than we. Owosso; and Louis Plummer, graduates. They were among the library is primarily for employed I sometimes wonder if the farm- Woodland. Assisting them in selecting sources of material for gradu- tive economics now offered at MSC school and college students as well

farmer were paid \$2.00 a bushel for the wheat used than it would for the \$1.00 a bushel he was then getting. The cost is really in the processing rather than in the commodity used. We all wondered why we couldn't get the extra dollar that we so badly needed at that time.

I have watched the auto market quite closely of late, and some of the practices resorted to, have astonished me. I've wondered how they could be applied to the farm-

For instance, ears scarce and not enough to satisfy the demand, but so are hogs. To get a new car in some agencies, one must buy all of the gadgets that can be attachedwhether he wants them or not. Now to it that the buyer be required to feeder, a box of rings, a waterer together with an extra charge for handling? It certainly takes an expert laborer to handle a hog!

I know this is a far-fetched suggestion, but it seems just as sensible as a lot of stories we hear in other businesses, and I don't believe it obstructs free enterprise any more.

I am beginning to feel that if the public prefers a substitute to real butter, why not cater to their fancy and the farmer himself go into the business. Certainly we have the commodities with which to make it and we can make a spread that can equal the best. If folks will not be converted to the continuance of butter, why try further to convert them? Why try to make butter as a losing proposition when we can convert our business into something that will pay out?

At any rate, let's meet this high cost of living with figures of our own. Let's not accept the declaration that the farmer always squawks and seems to enjoy it.

ENVIABLE RECORD

Many people retire from positions of responsibility with little or no mention made of the many years of loyal service. Mrs. William Hoolihan of Traverse City has retired from the chairmanship of the Farm Bureau women's program in District 9. She has made an enviable record, and we feel that it should be mentioned.

Mrs. Hoolihan has been on the State Advisory Council of the Michigan Farm Bureau women since it was organized, and has not missed a single meeting of the Council during that time. She was appointed to the chairmanship of the Northwest Michigan Farm Bureau women by the board of directors in 1944. and set a perfect attendance record.

It was while she was chairman of this group that the idea of a Farm Bureau women's camp was developed. She was elected to serve as camp chairman for the first three years. During the 1948 camp, she was program chairman.

Very few women have put forth the tireless effort toward making the Farm Bureau women's program success as she has.

Mrs. Hoolihan was a voting delegate representing the Farm Bureau women at the annual meeting of the Associated Women of the American Farm Bureau Federation n Chicago in 1945.

She was chairman of the Credentials Committee of the 1947 convention of Michigan Farm Bureau wo-

Mrs. Hoolihan is the mother of six children-five of whom are living. She is also very proud of her grandchild who is one year old. She, her husband, Bill, and four of the children reside on a farm

near Traverse City. The Farm Bureau women of Michigan would like to say 'Thanks" to Mrs. Hoolihan for her interst and the many hours of very hard work which has made the wo men's program so successful.

DISTRICT 8 **MAKES PLANS** FOR FUTURE

met recently to discuss and participate in the Michigan Farm Bureau membership drive for 44,900 farm families in 1949.

Representatives from Bay, Gratiot, Isabella, Midland and Saginaw Counties, under the direction of D. Eugene Brooks, district supervisor, until Dec. 31, 1950. discussed membership acquisitions and hospital insurance. An ecohospital insurance has also been of 1948. planned throughout the district. Mrs. Walter Harger of Saginaw was chosen to represent the fivecounty district on a state-wide committee on committee club discus-

sion topics. The automobile insurance pro gram was discussed.

Speakers from the Michigan Farm Bureau at Lansing included Keith Tanner, Norman Waggoner, Mrs. Marjorie Karker and Loren eratives, standing; and W. V. Biel- books, Co-operative Digests, News Black

large number of books, reports, Vaniman Address 1,000 The Vo-Ag teachers are MSC and other literature. Although the Farmers At Ionia Fair

group of 25 who enrolled in the training and information, it is "The day of individualism on the new graduate seminar on co-opera- available to and being used by high farm has passed," Vernon Vaniman of Chicago, director of organization as Farm Bureau and Junior Farm for the Mid-West region, told 1,000 farmers who attended a special farm program at the Ionia Free The chemical is highly potent. It will kill or damage most broad-

Mr. Vaniman said there must be leaved plants-valuable crops as increasing co-operation among or-Farmers who plan to use 2, 4-D | well as weeds. Small quantities ganizations if gains made by agrifor weed control next spring left in a sprayer later used for inculture since 1933 are to be mainshould be thinking about spray secticides or fungicides will tained.

The farm organization day, which s a big day of the fair from a The Extension service in many rural point of view, was sponsored ceeded the supply this past year states now promotes vacation jointly by the Ionia County Farm when the chemical was widely camps for farm women and child- Bureau and the Grange.

> Cows exposed to cold weather A good fire extinguisher is a and winds use up much of their

FIVE NATIONAL FARM LAWS **EXTENDED**

Five national farm laws due to expire this year have been extended by Congress: (1) The reciprocal Trade Agree-

ments Act until June 30, 1949. (2) The agricultural conservation program under the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act

modities with some changes, were nomical method of bookkeeping for continued in the Agricultural Act (4) Provision for continuation

(3) Price supports on basic com-

of price support of Steagall com-

modities (war time price support program) is contained in the same (5) Federal charter for the Commodity Credit Corporation was pro-

vided by Public Law 806, 80th Con-

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equipment now, say weed special- damage sensitive plants.

County agents and over 180,000 unselfish volunteer leaders do another great job through the 4-H Clubs. Through 85,000 local 4-H Clubs, more than 1,750,000 boys and girls get invaluable training. Advice, encouragement, know-how from practical experts. Their projects keep them abreast of what is new in agriculture. They learn through doing. Achievement and leadership become habits.

It is well that American agriculture has these leaders and teachers. By teaching the business and science of farming, they are helping make life on I ranch rich and profitable for a new generation of Americans. They are showing them the way to economic security and a good way of life. Better farm planning; power machinery; scientific modern methods; control of weeds and plant and animal pests . . . All these our farm and ranch youth are learning. In many ways they are qualifying themselves to be better managers of land and better businessmen. They are increasing their knowledge of science and selling—of machinery and markets of costs and conservation.

Swift & Company has always been proud to encourage farm youth activities. We shall continue to do so. We have no doubt or fear for the future of America. For, properly cultivated, this crop will ripen surely into our nation's richest harvest.

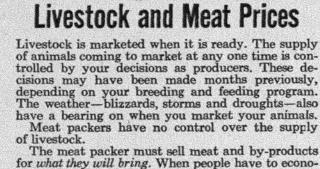
A HUNDRED CENTS MAKE A DOLLAR

Have you sometimes wished to know Where meat dollars really go?



spent. a-plenty ...

Of each wholesale dollar You get seventy-nine per For your livestock, wool and hides, And all by-products besides. Wages, operating cost Take another even twenty. After all the rest is spent The packer profits just one cent.



The meat packer must sell meat and by-products for what they will bring. When people have to economize, they spend less money for meat. Consumers, retailers and meat packers reduce their bids. The prices of both meat and livestock fall accordingly. But when people make more money, they are eager to buy meat. Then buyers all along the line increase their bids. And the prices of both meat and live stock rise accordingly. For each meat packer and each retail meat dealer knows that if he does not pay a little higher for the livestock or meat he wants, somebody else will-and get the business.

Thus the old law of supply and demand-plus competition in buying livestock and selling meatforces price changes in meat to be reflected quickly all the way back to the livestock on the hoof. At all times the market price is a balance between the supply of livestock and the demand for meat.





It's a Two-Way Road

In my work with farmers and ranchers I have visited just about every part of this country. I can't begin to count the number of times I have traveled out of Chicago and back—to the range country of the West...through the Corn Belt states...the wheatlands...the cotton country—Florida, Maine, Washington, California and all the other states in between.

I do not know how anyone who travels much can help being impressed with the need for team play in America. As farmers or ranchers, your prosperity depends to a large degree on the ability of workers in industry to purchase the food and fiber you produce. Likewise, city businessmen know that your power to purchase their products is equally important to them. And all of us depend on the men in the mines, in the forests, in the steel mills, and oil fields.

But what we are apt to overlook is the fact that it is the earning of a reasonable profit which keeps all these businesses going, and all of us at work. Of course, profit rates vary. That depends on many things, including volume of

business done. For example, here at Swift & Company we process millions of pounds of agricultural raw materials each year. On each pound handled, we earn an average profit of a fraction of a cent. Few could stay in business on the margin we meat packers earn. But whether one's business volume is large or small, some profit is essential to any individual or any enterprise

And here's another thing. Often I hear someone say—"Those farmers are the lucky ones-completely independent!" I can't agree with them. I know, and you know, that you on the land are independent—but only to a certain degree! Of course, cities couldn't exist without the products of farm and ranch. Maybe you could produce your own food, clothing, shelter and fuel. But country living would be pretty grim without cars, telephones, radios, fences, tractors, windmills and modern laborsaving, comfort-giving equipment. It is a two-way road! Our standard of living in America is something we are all proud of. It is the result of the profit system and of good team play.

F.M. Simpson.

Agricultural Research Department

16MM SOUND FILMS FOR YOUR USE

"Meat Buying Customs" "A Nation's Meat"
"By-Products" "Livestock and Meat"
"Cows and Chickens . . . USA"
Five informative films about the livestock-meat-

packing industry. A few open dates remain for September and October. We'll be glad to send a descriptive folder which gives all details. Write Agri-cultural Research Dept., Swift & Co., Chicago 9.

Martha Logan's Recipe for DINNER SIZE HAMBURGER

pound hamburger 1% cups soft bread crumbs l egg

1/4 cup milk 11/4 teaspoon salt 1/2 teaspoon pepper 1 tablespoon fat

14 cup chopped onion Mix together all ingredients until well combined. Form into 4 large patties. Heat fat in heavy frying pan. Brown patties slowly on each side. Cover pan tightly, lower heat, and cook ten minutes longer. Serve with horseradish sauce, barbeaue sauce, or tomato sauce. (Yield: 4 servings).



---Soda Bill Sez:-

Words are handy tools to explain experiences -but they're no substitute for experience.

New Idea in Junior Feeding Projects

by T. W. Thompson State 4-H Club Leader, Montana

Boys and girls are trying out a new kind of livestock feeding project. In several states—including Montana, Nebraska, Colorado and Indiana—people are enthusiastic about it. Here is how it works. The boy or girl buys an average lot of feeder steers or lambs, from a uniform herd or band. The number T.W. Thompson bought is usually 3 or more steers, 15 or more lambs.

That depends on finances, feed supplies and equipment available. These lots of animals are bought at a central

market. They are taken home and fattened. Careful records are kept of feed costs and rates of gain. At the end of the feeding period, they are shipped back to market. They are sold on Junior Marketing Day. Boys and girls consign their animals to commission firms of their own choice. Upon arrival the animals

are penned separately, according to ownership. Each lot is graded and weighed separately. Then all animals are assembled in pens according to grade. They are sold for slaughter in the usual manner used on that market. The boys and girls profit according to the market value of their animals.

Sponsors claim the following benefits: (1) It is practical. (2) It promotes better farm feeding methods. (3) Boys and girls learn about market grades of livestock. (4) They learn about central markets and their operation. This new idea in junior feeding is not intended to take the place of feeding for show. It is a separate project, to give youngsters practical ex-perience in feeding for market.

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Farmers Tour Bean Growing Areas

Farmers in County Farm Bureau NOT DUE TO organizations have made several tours in five counties of Michigan's bean growing area. The purpose of the tours was to show the latest methods of culture and research. Arrangements were made for the farms through the county agricultural agents...

The participants learned new ways of bean planting, uses of various fertilizers, and the different methods of combine harvesting. Tours were conducted in Gratiot

County on August 16; Saginaw county, August 17; Tuscola county, August 19 and Huron county, August 20.

diseases and insects.



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MEAT PRICES PRICE SUPPORT

Washington office of the American Farm Bureau, told the public August 19 that high prices for meats and other foods are not caused by price supports.

"The real cause for high food prices is expanded consumer de mand in relation to supplies," he stated in an address before the American Farm Bureau Institute.

Fleming pointed out, however, that consumers have the right to know why they should not expect A garden can be made profitable an immediate dramatic reduction by using good soil, good seed, good in meat prices in spite of the fertilizer, and by controlling weeds, bumper crop of wheat which has been harvested and the bumper corn crop now in prospect.

"The reason consumers cannot look forward to an immediate increase in meat supplies and a sudden lowering of prices is that it takes time to increase hog and cattle numbers.'

"The coming bumper crop of corn the principal feed-won't be harvested until fall. In the meantime farmers can't feed livestock on crop reports."

Fleming said that consumers ought to know that there are no price supports on beef cattle and lambs and that hog price supports, based on 90% of parity are far below the current market prices.

"If beef and lamb prices were supported at 90% of parity, these supports would be only about 50% of current market prices. The most recent official data indicates a price support on hogs of \$16.38 per cwt., compared with a July 15 farm price of \$25.90 per cwt."

If beef cattle were included under a similar support program at 90% of parity the farm price would be supported at \$12.24 per cwt. against a July 15 farm price of \$25.80, he explained.

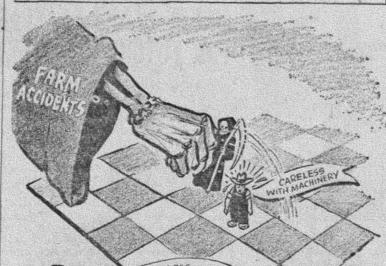
On the same basis veal calves, nilk houses, foundations, grain storages, now selling for \$26.70 per cwt. would be supported at \$15.21 per cwt., he said, and lambs currently marketed at \$26.20 per cwt. would receive a support guarantee of only \$13.32 per cwt.

"It is clear that farm supports are not to blame for high meat prices," Fleming declared.

Keeping cutting parts sharp keeps up the work capacity of farm machinery say MSC agricultural

Mechanization and technology are reducing the working hours of the American farm families.

THERE ALWAYS IS A



High Cost of Living Handle with Care

By HASSILL E. SCHENCK President, Indiana Farm Buerau

both state and national, are now to the toal Federal tax load in 1920. history. The importance of agriculing to agriculture, every farmer farmer will be in a quandary.

industrial goods. It is equally hard ciency. to reconcile lower living costs without substantially lowering income

around the high cost of living. That | parity. was true in 1920, the year of the first Presidential campaign after chasing power, our national econ- cost of production this must be in World War I. Something was done omy was depreciated to ruinous lev-cluded since we don't want to put then about the high cost of living els. With the enhancing of farm up with soil mining and call soil by protein supplements. Hitch this which all but wrecked America. A purchasing power our national capital sold a profit. This plant to a rotation system in which deep repetition of this today would cer- economy has risen beyond any- food amounts to 29c per bushel at tainly wreck America because of thing dreamed of no longer than 5 1948 prices. This is a cost figure, you will find yourself also building the enormous expense budget of the vears ago.

est load alone on our Federal in-The 1948 political conventions, debtedness is approximately equal

United States Treasury. The inter-

Producer's Share. Some water ture in national and world economy can be squeezed out of the high cost as set forth in the respective plat- of living, but a great deal of it canforms is recognized to a greater ex- not be taken out of the producer's tent than ever before. To read just | pocket. The producer today is getthat part of the platform pertain- ting about 50c of the consumer's dollar. This is considerably below can well be highly elated. To read the all-time high and somewhat the platform as a whole and then above the all-time low. The Amerisee how agriculture fits into the can farmer is doing the best job of whole scheme of things, that same production of any group in America and the best job of food produc-It is pretty hard to reconcile tion of any peoples in all the world. higher wages with lower costs of He must not be penalized for effi-

Farm prices today are somewhat form fixed cost per acre has been only \$29.10. Added to this is the above parity, but only a fraction as much above parity as they were belithese costs do not vary to any ap-If I might make a prediction, it low parity a few years ago. The preciable extent with yield. would be that much of the cam- farmer endured 21 years below parpaign discussion will be centered ity; he has enjoyed 7 years above

With the depletion of farm pur- we are going to figure an accurate

NOW IS THE TIME TO PREPARE FOR

By ROBERT H. ADDY, Manager Services' Feed Department

We often wonder if it isn't a nade for next year.

that can, and will, make more pro- ing 100 lbs. linseed meal in place fit or less worry if we do themo here goes

question of pasture. Pasture for healthier calves and milk better cows? Oh, sure. Pasture for hogs? Well-guess so. Pasture for poultry? Hmm-I'll think about it. cisive factors in promoting health, production and profit for all our ivestock and poultry, if we will olan for good pasture. It's not a nit too early to draw up plans now for next year. You women folks who take care of the poultry had better hold a conference with the oss (honorary title, ch?) and have him plan a poultry pasture. The boss himself can plan for cows and

gume pasture is the one we want. agent in on planning a ladino clover (or a mixed ladino, red clover with a little alfalfa) pasture for ladino for chickens, sheep, or cows after year, plan so you can rotate day off, and visiting with friends. your ladino or other pasture with the least trouble.

hest results, how to handle as pasture, etc. DO IT NOW!

If you intend to buy chicks, it is wise to locate the source right soon. unless you are already satisfied with your supplier. Don't let a few cents savings, per chick, persuade you into buying anything but the best. Your other costs for feed, housing, care, etc. are the same whether chicks are fine-fair-or foul. Your return, other things such as feed, management of disease being equal, depends upon what your chicks have bred into them in the way of high productivity, stamina, and initial reserves which come only in chicks hatched from healthy hens properly fed.

We believe our Michigan Dairymen are going to try ladino clover in pasture mixes too. Our Wisconsin friends report startlingly good the Saginaw Juniors 18 to 11. The rodeo. results and the acreage is growing noon luncheon was served by The annual Oceana County Farm rapidly. Again we believe your women of the Bay County Farm Bureau picnic was attended by 200 ounty agent can help you deter. Bureau. Entertainment included or- people who partook of the picnic mine the mixture you should use gan music by Ruth O'Leary. There dinner and enjoyed various forms for your particular soil and loca- were the usual concession and re- of entertainment.

can you buy a bushel of corn for tion. Ask him, or write the State this amount? Actually if we sub-College. tract the value of the plant food land, but increase production on

Unless you have a prejudice remaining in the fodder which is against rye (and rye is 0. K. if you returned, the plant food in the use it correctly) suggest you sow corn costs only 15c a bushel. You some Balboa rye as soon as you can see that the cost of the fertil an—the sogner the better. It will ity is so small in comparison to the surprise you with its quick and fixed costs that one can't afford to luxuriant growth—both this fall let fertility limit the yields. and next spring. DO IT NOW!

Plan now on giving your cows that freshen after December 1st, bushels per acre are necessary to waste of time to suggest things to a fitting ration during the 6 weeks' be done in the future. It probably dry period that will provide (with s, generally speaking, because good-what is in the ration) 35,000 units of bushel yields or better are necessing the property of the property mans to do the things we should do Vitamin D per day. Farm Bureau right now-much less to get plans Services put out a Dry Cow Supplement that requires only 100 lbs. in However, we feel there may be a a ton of dry cow ration to furnish ew who will appreciate suggest the above, and only adds 1% cents ions of what to plan for next year PER DAY to the feed bill over usof 100 lbs. of F. B. Supplement. Cows fed ample Vitamin "A" & First of all there is the age old "D" should produce stronger,

the coming lactation. Plan now to do such things that will promote health and production Pasture can be one of the most de from your livestock and more profit to yourself.

AUGUST PICNIC

Along with summer, the heat Now for poultry. Certainly a le- and the harvesting, comes the gay count of his European trip as meeting of the year for County delegate to the International Poul-We'd like you to work your county Farm Bureau members in the form try Congress in Denmark. He will of their annual picnics.

Approximately 30 County Farm his visit to Germany and the Brit Bureau picnics were held during ish Isles. next year. From all we hear, this the month of August. These have been the days for farmers to put is really an eye opener. If you aside daily work schedules pack the Olsen, of the U.S. Department of plan on raising many chicks year family picnic baskets and enjoy a

About 300 persons were present at the Midland County Farm Bu-A letter to your Crops Depart- eau pienic. The day's program bement at Michigan State College will gan with a potluck dinner, and the tell you all you need to know about remainder of the afternoon was Groves of the State Veterinarian' spent in playing games and various contests. The Juniors won the softhall game from the Senior Farm Bureau members.

Some 250 members attended the Genesee County Farm Bureau pic mercial Remedie-Good and Bad. nie at Flushing Park. Warren Dobson, of the Farm Bureau Services' seed department, discussed the seed outlook for the fall season.

The Macomb County Farm Bureau picnic attracted most of its members and their guests August 19 at the Armada Fairgrounds with | ment.' a full day of picnic activities. The Junior Farm Bureau operated a readis in filing income tax returns freshment stand.

More than 4,000 people gathered business. for the annual Farm Bureau picnic of Bay and Saginaw Counties freshment stands. Various contest in the Bay county fairgrounds. Bay filled the afternoon. The Bay Junior Farm Eureau members beat County Riding Clubs presented a

ONE FALSE MOVE AND YOU'RE OUT OF THE GAME Increased Fertility **Brings More Profit**

Value

Fertility

14.55

23.28

29,10

(2) Fixed costs plus fertility cost for grain (1946).

(4) Approximate average corn price for 1947 crop.

corn in 1946. These costs have been and potash carried off the land in

(3) Average corn price for 1935-1939 period.

Per Acre Stover

Costs

Fertility

7.06

11.11

13.94

21.00

on one acre to grow 100 bushels of average that puts you ahead, corn? You can take the fixed costs rather than the horizontal expan- needed and use it on the first acre.

ty level through adequate fertilization and use of organic crop residues to a point where rains and

There is no question but that and that farm co-operatives are now At a 100 bushel per acre yield doubled in a very few years if the

Loss or Profit Per Acre

with Corn Selling at:

69c per bu. \$2,00 per bu.

(4)

\$ 7.15

44.21

99.53

136.54

229.05

* (3)

\$-32.15

. -21.29

-15.27

5.54

32.55

temperatures become the limiting factor. With more organic matter in the soil you will actually make more use of the rain you do get, sion of the 20th annual meeting of but in order to grow enough of the the American Institute of Cooperaorganic matter it takes added plant tion, Clark L. Brody, executive secfood chemicals to do it. All this. retary of the Michigan Farm Burcoupled with proper land use and eau, told members and officials management will do the job. Refrom all parts of the United States member, it's what you do above the and Canada that the success of cooperatives has aroused old enemies

Increasing production is much simpler than most people think. It

simply involves raising the fertili-

The four-day program was held at Amherst, August 30 through September 2. The Institute is a non-profit, non-

partisan educational agency spon sored by leaders from the land grant Colleges, co-operatives and other farm organizations. It has its headquarters in Washington, D. C. Dr. Carl D. Butler is president. In addition to Mr. Brody, others from the state office who attended the Institute were: J. F. Yaeger, Everett J. Young, Edwin Steffen, E. E. Ungren, B. A. Rainey and W. Victor Bielinski.

Dairyland Co-op Picnic

Dairyland Co-operative Creamery

with old practices, you have rain | 1500 grocery stores in Michigan enough for 100 bushels per acre if and Wisconsin are featuring "Seal

If we could double production on \$2.00 per bushel the net profit consideration and put into action. our 100 acre farm, we would have from the one acre is \$136.54 or One of the most important of these receipts comparable to a 200 acre \$48.12 more than two acres at 50 factors is fertility. Production of than 6,000 of Dairyland's farmer crops on most all land today is of operating it. This means that This \$48.12 plus the fixed cost limited by fertility. The average climatic condition in the Middle could spend on the one acre of corn | West would permit an average corn | to get 100 bushels and still be as yield from 80 to 90 bushels per

the best known practices are used. of Quality" potatoes.

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POULTRY

September—Early pullets coming into production. Eggs going up in price. Costs going down, Get Those Eggs!

Clean up your laying house. Lye and hot water scrubbing. Get good ventilation. Kill mites-watch for lice and kill them. Keeping hens that are lice infested is a lousy way to earn a living.

Cull out worthless pullets. Don't feed and house them. Keep the slower growing ones on range a little longer. Avoid changing mash when pullets are put in quarters by feeding the same Mermash on range that you'll feed in

Give birds 13 hours of daylight. Use lights as it becomes necessary to maintain the 13 hour work day.

Three hundred birds need 20 tons of water a year. See that they get it if you want eggs.

Feed costs are down. Will be lower. Use Mermash 16, 18 or 20% according to how you feed scratch grain. (Next month scratch feeding chart will be given. Watch for it.) Here's a good mash using mostly your own grain; 100 lbs. Farm Bureau MVP Concentrate, 180 lbs, Corn, 90 lbs, wheat, 70 lbs. oats (ground fine), 25 lbs. soybean oilmeal and 10 lbs. dehydrated alfalfa.

COWS

Plan pasture now for next year. If you like rye, plant Balboa soon for late fall and early spring pasture. Balboa grows fast both fall and spring. Plan your acreage of Sudan grass for next summer. Figure on rotating pasture.

Figure a dry cow ration for cows freshening late December forward. Our specially formulated Fitting Ration (use 100 lbs to a ton of feed) adds all vitamins A & D necessary to protect the cow and unborn calf. Only 5 lbs. of the feed containing Fitting Ration needed daily. (Feed more regular mix if desired.)

Use Milkmaker 34% protein with your grain. Milkmaker will furnish Vitamin D, Cobalt, Iodine, Copper, Iron, Manganese, Phosphorous, Molasses and quality proteins. It builds health.

HOGS

If housing is good, breed sows for early spring litters, Feed Porkmaker (per directions) to sows before breeding and during gestation. Porkmaker is rich in vitamins-with all the trace minerals and quality proteins. It will help you get larger, healthier litters which will grow into dollars on a Porkmaker program.

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gnd cream . . . and in addition returns the savings of the business to thom.

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Greenville—Farmers' Cooperative Dairy

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By HARRY L. COOK, Agronomist, Ohio Farm Bureau

GEORGE D. SCARSETH American Farm Research Ass'n How come so little is done about through higher yields? In fact, us- acres. ually the only chance for profit lies through this approach. A vertical expansion looks like the only acceptable way to go, if you please, sion which has been the common practice in the past.

Costs

Acre (1)

\$48.30

48.30

48.30

48,30

on land investment.

farm with only half the expenses bushels.

the dollars spent farming two acres

can actually be put into one acre

in order to double its production

and give a greater net income than

Since corn is so widely grown

Just recently the U.S. D. A. re

eased cost figures for producing

used in setting up the table. A uni-

used for all the yield levels since

The total fertility cost is based

on the total amount of plant food

the crop removes from the soil. It

but it is cheap corn. Where else

Don't miss the point that with present costs, yields upward of 86

make much profit. Actually if corn prices should decline to \$1.00, 80

sary to return any profit. This points out that as prices decline

money spent for fertility to main

tain and increase yields is of more

importance than when prices are

high when almost any yield can

Now let us consider a statement

made earlier about vertical expan-

sion. With a yield of only 50 bush-

PROGRAM FOR MSC

Poultrymen who attend the an

nual hatchery conference at Mich

igan State college on September 15

and 16 will find that a varied and

interesting program has been ar-

Highlight of the meeting will be

President John A. Hannah's ac

review the meeting and also tell of

Another feature of the confer

Agriculture. Dr. F. N. Waters o

the Regional Poultry Laboratory

at East Lansing will discuss breed

"Newcastle Outbreaks in Mich

office in Lansing. Dr. H

J. Stafseth, head of the bacteri

ology and public health depart

ment at MSC will speak on "Com

Members of the MSC poultry de-

partment will join in presenting a

number of interesting talks, C. G.

Card, head of the department, wil-

discuss opportunities in poultry

and J. A. Davidson will discribe

"New Wrinkles in Poultry Manage

Keeping farm accounts not only

but also helps to improve farm

ranged for them.

PLAN EXTENSIVE

return some profit.

and is a good indicator crop, let's

consider its cost of production.

farming the two acres.

Per

Per

Acre

Bu.

30

50

80

100

Jels per acre it takes 2 acres to make 100 bushels. On a 2 acre basis to produce 100 bushels of corn it costs \$96.60 fixed charges plus a plant food fertility cost of \$15.98. or a total of \$111.58. With corn at he well known fact that the cost \$2.00 per bushel this returns a net production can be lowered profit of only \$88.42 for the two

and Various Costs and Profits or Losses in the Case of Corn

Fertility Total

(1) Costs of preparing land and planting, cultivation, harvesting, hauling to market, costs of

of \$48.30 leaves us \$96.42 that we

well off as with the two acres at

tein forage so as to cut the cost

Actually the nitrogen, phosphate

of bagged feeds for our livestock,

100 bushels of corn would cost us

advantage that the 100 bushel

yield would in all probability give

better quality feed than the crops

where the yield was limited by fer-

tility. Quite frequently the in-

creased protein content of the

grain alone will pay much of the

fertility bill for the farmer who is

feeding his grain and buying cost-

rooted legumes are the key crop

In summarizing the above quick-

ly we might say, "Don't buy more

what you have. It's cheaper and

and conserving the soil.

profits are higher.'

spreading manure and applying starter fertilizer, seed costs, rent of land or interest

Per Acre Acre (2)

\$52.85

55.79

60.47

63.46

70.95

Returned Cost for Cost

Grain

\$ 4.55

7.49

12.17

15.16

Cost

Per

Bushel

1.12

.76

.63

of \$48.30 from the second acre not production on the vast majority of experiencing the most critical peracres in the corn belt could be iod in their existence. the total costs are about \$63.46. At necessary factors are taken into at the University of Massachusetts An Example of the Relationship Between Low and High Yields Per Acre

6,000 Attend The

Co. at Carson City had its 23rd annual picnic last month. More ed. They enjoyed a basket lunch. inspected 163 head of live stock and 21 hobby exhibits. Live stock entries were judged by A. A. Griffith of Michigan State College. Grand acre instead of the 40 to 50 we have Champion and reserve champion 50 bushels and have the other acre averaged since hybrid corn came awards were made in all breeds of left over for sod crops or alfalfa'to | into the picture. If you get rain dairy cattle and hogs shown. improve tilth and provide high pro- enough for 40 bushels per acre

has many openings for agents to represent the State Farm Insurance Companies in Michigan. We would appreciate hearing from any of our Michigan Farm News readers if they are interested in talking the proposition over with one of our managers. It would be very helpful to us if any of our readers would suggest the names of likely agent prospects in their nearby cities and towns. The remuneration is good. This is a particularly good time to start. Address your inquiry to

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Germany Is The Key to World Peace

Every European Country's Economy Hinges on the Recovery of Germany

While the Marshall Plan is going to cost the United States millions of dollars to undo what has been done during the past war, it will be the cheapest thing that we have ever done if it stops another war, Carl E. Buskirk, president of the Michigan Farm Bureau, who recently rationing?" He said that their returned from a study of European agriculture, told 200 delegates representing 59 member elevators attending the 28th annual meeting of the Michigan Elevator Exchange, at the Hotel Olds, Lansing, September 1.

"The economic recovery of 60 million Germans is going to be absolutely essential as a barrier to Russia and her satelite nations," Mr. Buskirk said. "If we get ing this butter to the American out of Western Germany, Russia will be there in 30 days, and when Russia takes Germany, she will also take the Netherlands, Denmark, France and all of the other countries with her within a year's time."

"Germany isn't as big as Texas," Mr. Buskirk said, "but there are almost half as many people there as we have in the United States. These jeople can never raise enough food to feed themselves. Germany today is producing from 8 to 9 hundred calories per person for her people. They hope to be able to produce up to 1100. We in the United States eat 3300 calories per day. The German people can never get above 1100. The only said, We sold our grapes to way they can increase their production is by having more fertilizer, better seeds, and more dairy, hog, and poultry ket. concentrates. The seeds that were used in the European countries were produced mostly in the zone that Russia has taken over. This seed has become inferior."

"The western European countries are getting about two-thirds of the fertilizer they need. Before the war, the United States used to import a lot of fertilizer from these same countries," he said. "It'll be quite a few years before the United States will again receive fertilizer from these countries unless they sell it to us for the almighty dollar, and take it right out of their own mouths.

"As far as concentrates are concerned, Germany comes in again as a key to the whole situation.'

Mr. Buskirk said that he asked plied that hogs require concentrates in in Denmark why he didn't and that all of their machines were produce the number of hogs that he broken down. These machines were nsed to before the war, and he re- made in Germany before the war,



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(EDT) respectively.

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FAIRGROUNDS: WOODWARD AT STATE FAIR

and Germany isn't making them now, nor is she capable of making

repair parts for them. The following is a portion of Mr. Buskirk's address delivered to the delegates attending the annual meeting of the Michigan Elevator

"In Great Britain, like most of the countries of Europe, everything is rationed except a few vegetables and liquor. I decided one day that I would like to purchase a tie, and found that needed a ration point to get one I said to the clerk in the store, Why don't you start some of your enitting mills and produce some of these cotton goods that require broken down, and Germany manufactured most o their machinery, but Germany is out of the picture.

"In Holland, I said to one of the farmers, 'Why is it that while you are boasting of a cow for every person, you are rationing butter to a half a pound per person?' The farmer replied, 'Well, we're sell army for that almight American dollar which is good anywhere.' asked him what he lived on before the war. He said they were in the Rhine River trade. 'We were shippers and a shipping nation. We made the ships and we manned the ships. But, today there's nothing coming down the Rhine,

Being a grape grower, I was in erested in Belgium and the grape situation there. Belgium has 700,000 greenhouses for grapes. I said to those fellows, 'How i buisness? And they replied, 'Oh, it's awful..' I said, 'Why?' 'They Germany, and Germany can't buy them today-they're off the mar

"Half of their tractors and farm equipment are broken down, and the answer is traced to the fact that Germany manufactured them and parts are not available. Germany produced 42% of all the manufactured goods for the 16 western European countries before the war. The German industry is ruined. wish I could show you pictures of the industrial conditions in

"Germany was at least 100 years behind us in farming. I think she was up to us or a little ahead in bundles of twigs in the wood box. chemistry and stel production. But I had seen pictures of this scene the farming in Germany was the before, but had never hoped to rudest thing I had ever seen. They are using the dairy cow for power, for milk, and for meat. I they could get. Whole families don't think she amounts to a darn for anyone of them. Practically 80% of the farm work requiring ing bicycles to get the next day's power is done by the dairy cow. She doesn't give much milk, she doesn't move very fast and she isn't very good beef after the way

To show you how slow they are, saw not one, but dozens of them. pulling mowing machines with digging out the stumps and down wo seats. In one seat the man into the earth after the fine roots. sat driving the cows, and in the I asked a woman bow she kept a out control that we won't be able other a man with a rake was push- fire in the stove with twigs so to maintain our foreign trade. ing the hay back because the ma- small. She said, 'Come over and Their standard of living has to chine was moving so slow that I'll show you.' She had about 6 the hay fell forward and would inches of ashes on the grates, and iam up the machine. Farming in there wasn't any draft. She said, Germany was done on that scale.

"In France, I saw a man on one of the best farms cultivating po- them.' tatoes with a tractor, pulling 5 cultivators with 5 men, each walk- for bedding that one day I saw 21 ing behind a cultivator. I've got wagons loaded with leaves that nations. Today only 17% of her a grandson on my farm at home they had gathered from the forest who can take our tractor with a miles from home. One of the 2-row cultivator and cultivate more potatoes every day of the week ed, the they had 4 cows hitched than the 6 men could with their to it.

men and children on the farm for the rate of exchange was in cigevery man. They are cultivating arettes. In most of the stores, every bit of that land, and they they quoted you so many cigare all busy. This is a good thing, arettes for the price of any comfor a country where people aren't modity. At the time I was there, busy, is where trouble starts. The a ton of wheat was worth 208 time is going to come when in- marks, or \$20.80 in our money; dustry will have to be started a carton of cigarettes was worth again in Germany, and we're going 325 marks, or \$32.50. to have to furnish them with farm machinery so they can relieve rationing really is. In England, some of this farm labor for in- an adult gets the following as his dustry, but that time isn't here at week's ration: 1 egg, 21/3 pints of

being kept as busy as they are: many. Any who was a leader, and of bread, potatoes and meat. You ey for the Marshall Plan, and you didn't side up with Hitler was are rationed to one grocery store. have never seen a group of more eliminated. And all of the leaders and if you pick one that may not worried people as those people that went with Hitler, we eradi- have some of the commodities, cated. So today you have a group that's just your hard luck. Your Plan was the salvation of their of people in Germany who know ration book isn't good in any other land and their life, and I feel just nothing about running a govern- store, so you'll be in line the next as they do. ment. I think it is our job to morning hoping to get what the organize the young people of grocer ran out of the day before. Germany. We should educate them I've seen them standing in line for Communistic, I want to tell you along the lines of democracy, two blocks waiting to get just a that we found the least bit of Com- the next day, December 17. Somebody has to be a leader portion of the ration that they are there, and it is either going to be allowed. us or Russia. We've got our choice. They are all looking to this great the authorities would come out to

the results of his ability over there. a hog, is in a very bad way, I stood in a beautiful cathedral in | "As a farmer you can't have Cologne, but there was not another beef or yeal, but you are allowed building standing within 5 blocks. to butcher one hog a year. The Our boys must have said, 'There's adult ration of bacon is 2 ounces a church, and we must save it.' I a week. The Commissioner of visited an office building in Ham- Agriculture in Great Britain told burg that was 10 stories high. The me that by 1950 each person could landscaping around it did not have three ounces a week. show a sign of shrapnel, and the "We talk about taxes in this building was unmarred. The army country, but we've really never

and are hoping we will stay.

President Buskirk Addresses Enchange Annual Meeting



tax is only \$1200.

It seems to me that we

living so that we will be able to

Britain's trade, was in the dollar

trade is in the dollarr nations, and

there's a lot of Marshall Plan

stuff in that. If this country should

decide to withdraw the Marshall

Plan, the countries participating

in it couldn't buy very much from

us. We would have large sur-

pluses, and our standard of living

would soon come down, right down

to where it was, or worse, than

"I'm not afraid of either the Re-

ublican or the Democratic presi-

dential candidates with respect to

the Marshall Plan, but I am afraid

of some of our Congressmen. We

have several right here in Michigan

who stand up and holler, "We're re-

ducing your taxes!', but they're

cutting the taxes on places like the

Marshall Plan, and that's where it

"I was in Europe when the house

voted to reduce the amount of mon-

were. They felt that the Marshall

"When someone talks to you

about farmer co-operatives, being

in 1929.

trade with these people.

Pictured above is Carl E. Buskirk, President of Michigan Farm Bureau who recently returned from a study of European agricultural conditions, as he addressed 200 delegates of the Michigan Elevator Exchange 28th annual meeting. Seated on his left is Roy F. Hendrickson, Washington Representa-

to see another building standing. of every pound of food and its dis- farmer co-operatives existed. As the lot of thinking before I decided on he was quite an important man war because I think the American there. He said that I could ask fliers could drop a bomb right him any questions that I cared to, down his smoke stack if they so I asked him what his salary was, knew where it was.

"Almost every home has elec- in American money.' I was curitricity, but each room had just a ous as to what his income tax single light bulb hanging from the was, so I asked him. 'Oh!' ceiling. There were no refrig- said, 'that's easy for me for I erators, no electric stoves nor have a wife and two children and many of the other appliances that we have in this country.

"Every home we went into had a wood range in the kitchen with actually, see it. They burn these pleasure anymore, but that little twigs because it was all that would walk 3 and 4 miles into the like a bottle of scotch, but you country pushing carts and wheelsupply of fuel. I saw them coming out of the woods carrying small bundles of twigs-not any larger than my little finger. In many of the beautiful forests that were torn and destroyed by the war, you could see these people 'The twies don't give much fire. but we have had to learn to use

"These people are so hard up wagons was so large, and so load-

"When I was in Germany, there "In Germany there are five wo- was still a black market, but

"We Americans don't know what present. It's a good thing they are milk, 3 ounces of butter, 4 ounces hurts. of margarine, 1 ounce of cooking "There is no leadership in Ger- fat, with likeable small quantities

"If you were an English farmer, country of ours for leadership, your farm and tell you just what that farm should produce. Even "And when you talk about war, if you are just renting the farm, the American people don't know and if you don't produce what the what war means. We really don't committee thinks you should know the first thing about war, they'll put another family in your nor what our servicemen can do. place. They count your sheep, I have a lot of respect, particularly cattle and hogs each summer, and for the American flier after I saw the fellow who is short a cow, or

saved it for an administrative seen taxes. This same Commis

tive, Nat'l Federation of Grain Co-operative, Washington, D. C., who discussed the national and international grain and bean situation.. C. V. Ballard, Director of Extension, Michigan State College, on the speaker's right, was the toastmaster for the program.

building. I couldn't see far enough ! sioner of Agriculture had charge | munism over there where the most "If I were Joe Stalin, I'd do a tribution in Great Britain, I thought number of farmer co-operatives went down, the strength of Communism went up. I'd like to have some of these fellows with the He said it was 'Equivalent to \$4800 Communistic, go over and figure that one out. You don't find Communists where every farmer b longs to a co-operative. "Again I want to emphasize that feel that Germany is the key to an invalid mother, so my income

the world peace and that the economic recovery of her 60 millions "I was startled to learn that the tax on a package of cigarettes in of people is absolutely essential because the future of every other England is 60c-they retail for 70c. country in Europe hinges on the A British farmer remarked one ecovery of Germany time that he didn't smoke for "It has been a pleasure for me to have been here this afternoon and to have had the opportunity to talk One of our party thought he would to you on the international situa

tion and conditions as I saw them

couldn't find any in Britain. in Europe. I hope that I have given when we got to the American Emyou a little better picture of where bassy, the Ambassador said he the world stands today. Thank you could get us a bottle, but it would cost us \$16.00 for a fifth. So our SOUTHERN TOUR "One of the worst things that I am afraid of is that we are going to let the standard of living in the United States go so high with

part in an all expense ought' to be a nation with brains through the southland and up the enough to reduce our standard of eastern coastal states in connection with the annual meeting of the American Farm Bureau Feder-"During the war, 86% of Great ation to be held at Atlantic City December 12 to 16.

The all expense tour will in clude transportation, pullman a commodations, overnight stops and meals, except at the conven tion. Those interested should write the Membership Relations Dep't, Michigan Farm Bureau, PC Box 960, Lansing, Michigan. It has been proposed that the

tour leave Detroit about Dec. and proceed by way of Cincinnati to New Orleans for a full day of sight seeing there. The group will proceed to Mobile, Ala., and have the morning there. Then there is to be five days of sight seeing by bus throughout the Florida penin sula. Stops will be made at Silve Springs, Book Tower, Cypress Gardens, Tampa, St. Petersburg, Fort Myers, Miami, West Palm Beach,

St. Augustine, and Jacksonville. The group will arrive at Wash ington early Dec. 11 for a day at the capitol, and have a half day in Philadelphia before proceeding to Atlantic City for the four day con

After the convention they are to go by motor coach to New York for the night at a hotel and a full day of sight seeing. Leaving late the second evening, the party will be in Detroit shortly after noon

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DIST. MEETINGS SET TO HELP 'GET **OUT RURAL VOTE**

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With this premise in mind, th community, county, and state Farm working to gether to design plans which get out the rural vot Members of the state staff are hold ing district meetings with County Farm Bureau Committees to dis cuss amendments to be placed be fore the voters this fall, and to outline the importance of farm peopl getting to their polls. These district meetings are to be

held with chairmen of the Coun Women's Committee, member of the County Community Farn Bureau Committee, all Action Con mittee members, Junior Farm Bur eau officers, and the Executive Committee of the County Farm Bur eau Board of Directors. The meet ngs are scheduled to start at 8:30 P. M. Stanley Powell, Legislative Counsel for the Michigan Farm Bureau, will talk to the whole group on the importance of insur ing a maximum vote. Mr. Powel will also discuss the amendments to be placed on the fall ballot.

Mr. Powell's talk will be follow ed by the group breaking up into individual committee sessions to discuss how each committee car best assist the county in helpius get out the rural vote. The com mittees will be meeting with the following staff members: Action Committee-Stanley Pow

ell, Legislative Counsel. Community Farm Bureau Com

mittee-Norman Waggoner, Direct or of Community Farm Bureaus. Executive Committee of Count

Board-District Membership Reresentative. County Women's Chairmen-Mrs

lunior Farm Bureau.

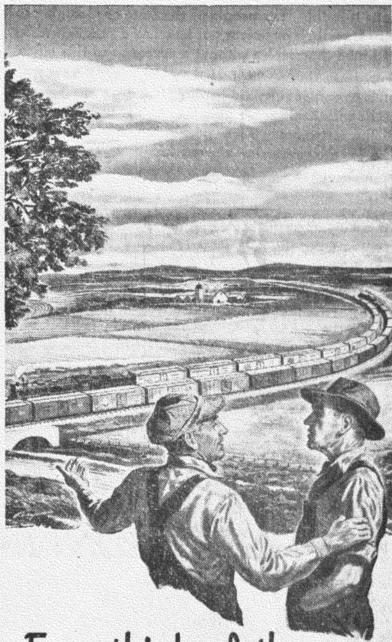
Marjorie Karker, Director of Woien's Activities. Junior Farm Bureau officerslenjamin Hennick, Director of

> The District Meetings will be reld as follows: District 1, October , Coterie Club, Paw Paw; District October 5, Hillsdale High School, Hillsdale; District 3, September 27 Plymouth High School, Plymouth; District 4, September 24, Y. M. C. A. irand Rapids; District 5, September 8, Central Methodist Temple House, ausing; District 6, September 15, larlette High School, District 7, September 23, Frement Community Hall, Fremont; Dis trict 8. September 13. Hemlock Methodist Church, Hemlock; Dis rict 9, September 22, Mesick High school, Mesick; District 10, Septem per 21, Gaylord High School, Gay-

Poultrymen who are running thort of hard-to-buy grain should ull the ineffecient hens from their locks, MSC polutrymen advise,

Contrary to popular belief, the octato is a real American plant, and now holds first place among vegetables raised in this country.





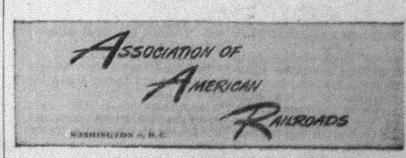
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These cars are just a part of the vast railroad renewal program which includes progressive improvement also in motive power, roadbed and signals, materials and methodsto the end that the American railroads shall continue to provide the most economical, the most efficient, and the safest transportation in the world.



Amendments to Be Voted on Nov. 2

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

By NORMAN K. WAGGONER, Research and Discussion

Whom do you want to succeed the office of governor, in the event both the governor and the lieutenant governor were to become unable to serve?

Two years ago, the voters wrote into the state consti- ers are members of more than one tution that about one-third of the sales tax revenue be returned to local governments. Is this the best possible use of public funds? Is this something you want to continue?

The salary of state governmental officials was written into the Constitution 40 years ago. Should this be adjusted to the present living costs? Should this be left to the judgment of the legislature?

These are some of the decisions the voters of Michigan will be called upon to make at the general election this for the 1946-47 season was \$7,000. in Southwest Michigan as the logifall. May it always be remembered that when the voters 000 a year earlier. This 16 perdecide an issue it remains a part of the state consitution, cent increase reflects to a large market. The County Farm Bureaus for each county. Listed below are and affects every citizen in the state until the voters received for farm products and the St. Joseph, Cass, Van Buren and in each county authorized to accept output of finished steel. repeal it. No voter should go to the polls this fall unless he understands the amendments so thoroughly that he will never look back and say: "I wish I had voted differently.'

Proposal No. 1: This amendment would write into the Constitution a definite order of succession to the office of governor in the event the governor-elect shall, for any reason, become unable to perform the duties of his office. The present constitution provides that the lieutenant governor, and the secretary of state, shall succeed to the office of governor in that order. It is entirely possible that both might become incapacitated at the same time. In such an event, the State of Michigan would be without a governor recognizing, of course, that this occurs only rarely, but would be extremely serious if it did. The people of the State of Georgia can testify from their experience of less than a year ago when they found themselves without a successor to this office.

There are those who feel that our state government should be safeguarded by having such provision written into the constitution. A comparison might be made here with fire insurance. Some people have made this provision for the protection against loss of their buildings. They may never have occasion to use it. Perhaps our state government should have similar protection, even though we may never have occasion to use it. There are those who feel that, in this event, the governor should be elected by special election. Others contend that he should be appointed by the legislature.

A "yes" vote on this proposal would provide an amendment to the constitution enabling the lieutenant governor, the secretary of state, the attorney general, the state treasurer, and the auditor general to ascend to the office of governor in that order.

very serious when economic change tion in 1908 that such elected of-

salaries: Governor and attorney

general, \$5,000; secretary of state,

\$2,500 each. There are those who

feel that the most capable persons

can not be attracted to these po-

sitions of responsibility by the

Governor Sigler experienced a

great deal of difficulty in getting

omeone to take the position of Su-

perintendent of Public Instruction

at the salary of \$7,500. The man

who accepted this position receiv-

There are those who feel that

wages do not always attract the

most capable persons. Frequently.

it is felt that the salary stipulation

should be taken out of the Consti-

might set such salaries in keeping

A "yes" vote on this proposal

A "no" vote sustains the present

Michigan voters have a great re-

meet this responsibility only by be-

ing adequately informed on these

amendments. That way, we may

There are 226,000 miles of rail-

would take salary limitations on

with changing economic levels.

ed a salary cut of \$2,100.

salaries provided.

Proposal No. 2: This amendment have very little money to appro would repeal the sales tax diver- priate. In fact, it is anticipated sion amendment, which was writ- that the state will have to resort to ten into the constitution two years deficit financing this year. This ago. Presently, this amendment may eventually result in new taxes. returns one-third of the sales tax such as state property tax, state inrevenue collected by the state back come tax, or other forms of raising to the local units of government. public funds. A "yes" vote on this proposal re-It provides, also, that the legislature make an annual appropriation peals the amendment, and "uo vote sustains the amendment. to the school districts out of the general fund. An amount equal to Proposal No. 3. This amendment. 44.77% of the previous year's sales would remove from the constitution tax collection. This makes a total any limitations on the salary of the of 78.1% of the sales tax revenue governor, the secretary of state, collected by the state which is ret the state treasurer, the auditor turned to local units of government. This works out quite satistical Their salaries, then, would be set factorily at a time when sales tax by the legislature. income is increased, but could be It was written into the Constitu-

and sales tax collections decrease. ficials shall receive the following It would be possible that the earmarkings of this amendment could take all of the sales tax revenue state treasurer, and auditor general, during the years of lower returns. There are those who feel very strongly that the legislature should be in a position to make annual appropriations, and to make them on the basis of need that would result in the best use of public funds.

Last spring Attorney General Black pointed out that approximately 600 of the 1200 townships, in Michigan had received such a heavy return from the sales tax diversion that they found it unnecessary to levy any township or school taxes. No real economy is likely to be promoted if any unit receives from any source more money than it needs to support necessary services tution, and that the legislature to the public and to maintain reasonable reserves.

State Treasurer D. Hale Brake reported that the part of the sales tax returned to school districts this such state officials out of the state year should amount to over 32 milconstitution, and leave this to the lion dollars. This is distributed judgment of the legislature. on the basis of school census. The part of the amendment which re-salary limitations. quires 44.7% of the sales tax revenue to go to school districts this sponsibility this year. They can year totaled an additional \$44,869,

Mr. Brake pointed out that, also, last year there were 169 school dis- never look back with regret and tricts that paid no taxes at all lo- say: "I wish I had voted different-

There are those who urge that this amendment should be repealed, and so far the Egislature may way line in the United States, but have the authority to appropriate the total length of all tracks operatstate money on the basis of need. ed by the railroads, including main Under the present amendment, tracks, parallel tracks, yards and if is entirely possible that the time sings, amounts to nearly 400,000 may come when the legislature will miles.

FARM CO-OPS GAIN 400,000 **MEMBERSHIPS**

ing and purchasing co-operatives totaled 5, 400,000 in the 1946-47 5,000,000 the previous year, accord-Credit Administration, the U.S. Department of Agriculture announced today. Since many farmco-operative, these figures exceed the number of farmers who are

Minnesota again led in mem perships with 567,000 followed by Illinois with 540,000 and Iowa

The number of associations reported was 10,125 compared with a year earlier. Here again Minnesota led with 1,306 co-operatives followed by Wisconsin with 943 and Iowa with 730,

The dollar volume of business

prices paid by farmers for farm | Kalamazoo Counties have selected | stock subscriptions. This is volunsupplies which rose 27 percent and one or more persons to sell stock in tary work on the part of these peo with a year earlier. Of this total Co-operative, Inc. to raise sufficient ers to contact the person or persons was accounted for by co-operative sary marketing facilities. Meetings county and offer whatever finanpurchasing of farm supplies. The have been held with livestock pro- cial assistance they feel they can balance of \$5,600,000,000 represented farm products marketed.

Of the marketing total, dry beans and rice accounted for marketing season compared with \$1,900,000,000; dairy products, \$1,-700,000,000; fruits and vegetables, \$826,000,000; livestock, \$790,000,-600; cotton and cotton products. \$234,000,000; poultry and eggs, \$225,000,000 and tobacco \$70,000. 600. The balance was made up of many other farm products including nuts, wool, honey, sugar cane, beet sugar, hay and other products.

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Kalamazoo County has been

compared the Southwest Michigan Livestock ple. We urge all livestock produc-\$1,500,000,000 capital to buy or build the neces- authorized to sell stock in their ducers of the above counties, and afford. they are determined to have something to say about the marketing of their livestock. The concentra- tember. Cooperative effort will do tion of a large volume of livestock much to make this project enjoyand control of its sale should do able and successful. Don't wait to much to stabilize market values and provide further incentive for your county stock salesman and oflivestock producers to stay in the

> The Southwest Michigan Livegan corporation having for its Holland R1; Barry, Dexter D. Beav- 16-17. board of directors a man from each ers. Portland, R1; Branch, Mrs. of the above eight counties involv. Belle S. Newell, Coldwater; Caled. The officers are R. E. Hazel of Richmond, R1, President; James Reagan of Cassopolis, Vice President; and Dale Kirklin, of Kalamazoo, R5, Secretary-Treasurer. The directors and officers are all actual farmers, and the organization is farmer-owned and controlled.

Farmers of this eight county area will be offered an opportunity to erate on only 2 per cent of the rail- to these problems by initiating a agreed upon by livestock producers invest up to one thousand dollars road trackage of the country, they correlated effort on the part of the in common, non-assessable stock to haul a much larger percentage of rural people and the various or 000,000 compared with \$6,100,000,- cal place to either buy or build a provide their own marketing facillivestock yard for a co-operative ities. Quotas have been established degree the rise in prices farmers of Allegan, Barry, Branch, Calhoun, the names and addresses of people ed about ten per cent of the total

It is hoped the campaign can be completed during the month of Sepbe contacted, but get in touch with

houn, Miss Gloria Conley, Marshall: Cass, James Reagan, Cassopolis; Kalamazoo, R. E. Hazel, Richmond R1, and Dale Kirklin, Kalamazoo, R5; St. Joseph, J. Herbert Kinsey, Vandalia; Van Buren, L. C. Ford,

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RURAL HEALTH **CONFERENCE SET**

Rural Health Conference will serve the rural yeople best if those who most vitally interested in health in Michigan are present and lend their active assistance," H. B. Zemmer, M. D., Lapeer, Chairman of the Michigan Rural Health Con-Your cooperation will be very ference announced. The confer much appreciated by these folks ence will be held on the campus of stock Co-operative, Inc. is a Michi- listed below: Allegan, James Boyce, Michigan State College, September Dr. Zemmer invited and urged the attendance of everyone in Michigan who is concerned with the rural health problem.

> Sponsored by the Michigan State Medical Society together with thirty-nine other organizations including Michigan Farm Bueau and Jr. Farm Bureau, the Conference is de which may exist in the field of medical care, and to seek solutions ganizations represented.

The Conference has been arrang ed to permit maximum participa tion by those in attendance. There

known speakers and authorities on hand to present problems and act as sources of authentic information. The two-day session will be broken down into four main subdivi-

1-"Planning for Healthy Communities" which will include such topics as community health councils, health programs of rural organizations, Jocal health department activity, and disease control programs.

2-"Modern Medicine in Rural Michigan" embracing bringing and holding doctors in rural areas, education in health for rural people, mental health in rural Michigan, nursing and medical associates.

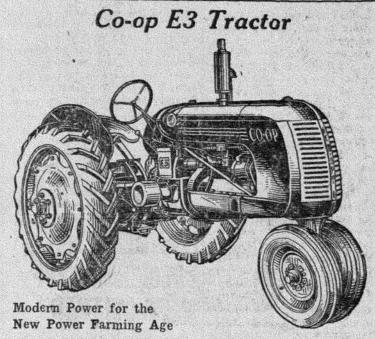
3-"Pollars and Disease" covering voluntary prepaid group medical and hospital service, the hospital survey and construction act, aid to the medically indigent, and contributions of voluntary health organizations.

4-"Youth in the March of Health" which will include dental care, child guidance clinics, prevensigned to point out any problems tion of children's diseases, and school health programs.

> The two day program will include panel discussion groups in waich the audience is invited to particil pate. Opportunity will be given on Friday for the consideration of resolutions to be submitted by those

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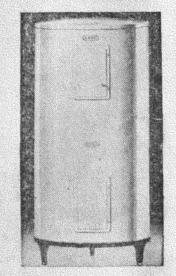
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