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27th Year

EDITORIAL Shuman of Illinois

When Charles B. Shuman of Sullivan, Illinois, steps up to address the annual meeting of the Michigan Farm Bureau next Thursday, he will do so as president of the Illinois Agricultural Ass'n, the nation's largest state Farm Bureau,-more than 150,000 members.

Mr. Shuman is a stock and grain farmer. He farms approximately 300 acres and supervises the operations of tenants on 450 acres in addition. His father's farm has been in the Shuman family since 1853.

Mr. Shuman began farming in 1930, shortly after completing his work at the Illinois College of Agriculture. He became a member of the Farm Bureau, presently was elected a director of the County Farm Bureau, and president. He was elected to the state board of directors in 1941 and became president in 1945.

Outstanding interests of IAA President Shuman are his devotion to modern soil building practices, better schools, and the organization and operation of farm co-operatives.

Reason For a Strong Farm Bureau

Fewer people live on farms in the United States today than at any time in nearly 70 years. It is necessary to go back as far as 1880 to find the farm population as low as the present 27,776,000.

Farmers are declining in actual numbers and in proportion to total population. Back in 1910, nearly 40 years ago, there were 32,077,000 persons on farms. At this same time there were 59,895,000 individuals living in cities, town and villages.

Today there are 4,301,000 fewer persons living on farms than there were before World War I. In cities, towns and villages, however, there now live 119,673,000 persons or 59,778,000 more than back in 1910. While farm population has been declining, population off farms has doubled. This means that today one out of five live on farms compared to one out of three back in 1910.

With this in mind it is more important than ever before that we have a strong Farm Bureau organization to gain and maintain economic equality with other groups and a fair legislative program at home and in Washington.

You need Farm Bureau-truly a farmers' force to face the fifties-and the Farm Bureau needs your membership for 1950.

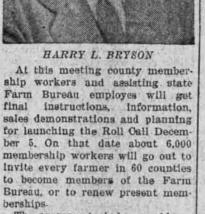
Farm Bureau Calls 30th Annual Meeting

At MSC Nov. 8 A big event of Farm Bureau annual meeting week will be the meeting Nov. 8 at Michigan State College of county and state Farm Bureau people who have a part in the state-wide membership campaigns that starts Dec. 5. Every worker is invited to come.

Roll Call People

In Big Meeting





The program includes an address on Farm Bureau A Family Ment-bership by Harry L. Bryson, dir-533 Join ector of membership field service for the American Farm Bureau. Mr. Bryson is a former director of nembership work in Iowa where they now have a Farm Bureau membership of 135,000. The program starts at Fairchild theatre, Michigan State College, East Lansing at 10:30 a. m. Tues-

day, Nov. 8 and continues there through the day. There will be an evening session at the Music Audiorium at MSC.

Meets

AFBF



FARM BUREAU THE FIGHTING Your BATTLE for Fair Prices, Fair Laws and A Square Deal FARM BUREAU - A FARMERS' FORCE TO FACE THE '50s JOIN YOUR COUNTY FARM BUREAU

The Roll Call for Membership Will Start December 5

Gingrich Re-elected Farm Bureau Insurance

533 Farm Bureau memberships have been written since March 7 by agents of the Farm Bureau Mutual

For

Insurance Company of Michigan to qualify farmers for Farm Bureau automobile insurance. The insur- ment of a county rubbish dump, lations for the Michigan Farm Buance is limited to members of the and proposed that the Brannan Plan be designed to protect the

Commodity President Osceola Co. Russell Gingrich was re-elected president of the Osceola County Set Farm Bureau at their annual meeting attended by 200 members of the organization the latter part of October. John Alder was elected. vice-president and Ernest Gerber. the third member of the executive The annual Farm Bureau Com

board. modity Day will be held Novembe The organization went on record 9 in the Union Building, Michigan in the form of resolutions urging State College, according to B. P more state economy, the establish-Pattison, director of commodity re

reau. Programs have h This is a development that was farmer and the nation's economy the dairy, poultry, livestock, fruit Separate discussions on marketing are planned to be held by each group

MSC Union

Day

At State College November 10 and 11

Reports to Be Made on Work Done in 1949; **Resolutions Adopted Will Chart the** Farm Bureau Program for 1950

Nearly 37,000 members of the Michigan Farm Bureau will be represented by some 370 voting delegates at the 30th annual meeting at Michigan State College, Thursday and Friday, Nov. 10 and 11. Each delegate will represent 100 member families. All members are invited to attend the annual meeting.

Clark L. Brody, executive secretary, will present his annual report and will discuss Michigan Farm Bureau Policies and Relationships. The delegates will have reports regarding the work of each division and department of the state organization.

Reports will be made upon the progress of the Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company of Michigan, now in its first year. Reports will be made for Farm Bureau Services, Inc., general farm supplies service to members, and for the Farmers Petroleum Co-operative, Inc.

Charles B. Shuman, president of the Illinois Agr'l Ass'n-the Farm Bureau in Illinois-is to speak to the convention Thursday afternoon. No doubt, a part of his address will deal with the new farm price support program just adopted by Congress.

Elections. The convention will elect eight members of the state boad of directors of 15. Directors are elected for two years. The new board will elect a president and vice-president immediately after the convention.

A series of pre-convention meetings of Farm Bureau groups and committees will be held Tuesday and Wednesday at the college. The meetings include the Roll Call Workers conference Nov. 8, annual meeting of the Women of the Farm Bureau Nov. 9, and Co-operative Commodity Conferences, Nov. 9.

Wednesday night, Nov. 9 will be open house at the Michigan Farm Bureau offices at 221 North Cedar street, and at the Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company.

The Farm Bureau Resolutions committee will convene again Tuesday, Nov. 8, at MFB office at Lansing to complete compilation of resolutions from Community and County Farm Bureaus and co-operatives for presentation to the delegates Nov. 10. Roll Call Conference for county and state membership workers will start at Fairchild theatre at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 8. Evening session in the Music Auditorium. Preparations will be dicussed for the statewide membership campaign the week of Dec. 5.

Fighting For Family Size Farms

The Farm Bureau stands for maintaining the family-sized farm. You and your family, as the operators of a family-sized farm, are engaged in the business which signifies democracy and free enterprise.

Few other businesses require such a wide variety of skills. Farmers must know far more than the practical techniques of farming. In addition, you must supply your own capital and furnish your own labor. You are your own bookkeeper and mechanic.

You study the markets and decide what to plant and when to sell. You bargain for your interests on a national scale. You and your neighbors support the Farm Bureau which promotes beneficial legislation and helps provide efficient co-operatives as purchasing and sales departments for your farm. It is Farm Bureau's chief objective to help and defend your business unit-the family-sized farm.

Begin Livestock ring facilities, the Exchange now plans an auction market on Wed-Auction Nov. 16 At Battle Creek The Battle Creek market has wa-ter and feeding facilities, if desired, and is one of the very few in Mich-

Livestock producers in 8 counties of southwestern Michigan will this day for two years. have their first opportunity to mar ket their livestock co-operatively Hartford Co-op Elev. by auction on Wednesday, Novem ber 16, The opening sale will begin at 12 o'clock.

The new auction ring has been completed in the co-operative livestock yards located at 819-833 Emmet Street, Battle Creek, Michigan. stock, \$133.75; and 16c a share on The Michigan Livestock Ex- 4,93734 shares of common stock, change has operated this market on \$790.04. The total was \$923.79. a daily basis since July 18 under | Hartford is managed by Farm Bulease management. Upon completion of the auction agement contract.

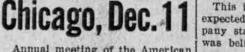
Speakers at Farm Bureau Annual Meeting plans an auction market on Wednesday of each week. Since this will be a daytime sale, farmers are urged to bring in their livestock before noon to avoid last minute

and is one of the very few in Michgan offering these services. Farmers have been looking forward to

Stock Dividend Hartford Co-operative Elevator

Company of Van Buren county has paid the following dividends: 4% on 3,343% shares of preferred

reau Services, Inc., under a man-



Annual meeting of the American ance service limited to members Farm Bureau Federation will be would be a membership builder for ield at the Stevens hotel, Chicago, the Farm Bureau. December 11 to 15. Eighty-four agents have averaged

All room reservations for the **LFBF** convention must be cleared hrough the Michigan Farm Bureau ly November 10. Send your request for hotel reservations to Keith Tanier, Michigan Farm Bureau, P.O. Box 960, Lansing, Mich.

When asking for room reservations, please state: Type of room desired-single or double; who will counties: occupy the room, and give date and time of arrival at hotel and date you expect to leave the hotel.

Huron Women Give \$333 to Boys and Girls

Huron 12, Ingham 3. Huron County Farm Bureau wo-Ionia 8, Isabella 26, Jackson 3 nen turned \$333 to the building Kalamazoo 2, Kent 10, Lapeer 37 Lenawee 13, Livingston 85, Macomb fund of the 4-H Club and FFA boys and girls of the county. The mon-8, Mason 3, Midland 1, Missankee 2, ay was raised through a fair Monroe 32, Montcalm 4, Newaygo kitchen sponsored by the women.

7. Ogemaw 2, Ottawa 3, Presque The world steps aside for the Isle 1, Saginaw 27, Sanilac 14, St. man who knows where he is going. Clair 5, St. Joseph 8, Tuscola 14, Van Buren 3, Washtenaw 6.

expected when the insurance com- against disaster rather than guar- and vegetable and farm crop groups pany started business March 7. It antee the farmer high profits at was believed then that the insur- the expense of other groups.

> **Orion Farm Group** Has Tractor Day

more than six new Farm Bureau The 4th annual tractor field day members each. Wilbur J. Lohr. Monof the East Orion Farm Bureau roe county's only agent has enrolled was held October 26 at the Axford 32 new members. Two agents in farm at Lake Orion. More than Berrien have 33; three agents in 30 tractors were turned out for Lapeer have 37: three in Livingston the competition. have 85; two in Saginaw have 27.

Following are the new Farm Bureau . Events included a contest in plowing, pulling, grinding grain, members enrolled for insurance by and backing farm wagons. Lunch-

eon was served at noon by the Alcona 2, Allegan 10, Alpena 6 Farm Bureau women. Tables were Antrim 2, Barry 12, Benzle 1, Berrien 33, Branch 14, Calhoun 1, Cass available for the families who 5, Eaton 15, Emmet 1, Genesee 24, brought their own picnic lunches. Many farm implements were ex-NW Michigan (Leelanau & Grand Traverse) 7, Gratiot 6, Hillsdale 7, hibited. Numerous demonstrations supplemented the day's activities.

Galvanized roofing should be painted as soon as the galvanizing or zinc coating begins to break down. Painting at this stage takes 12. Oakland 22, Oceana 2, Osceola less labor and paint than when the roof has begun to show rust spots.

Success does not come to us. We have to go out and get it.-George M. Reynolds

Carlyle

Outside speakers as well as men from the College and leading marketing groups will assist with the discussions. All groups will mee together for a noon luncheon sched uled at 12:15 p.m. in Parlor C on the second floor of the Union Build ing

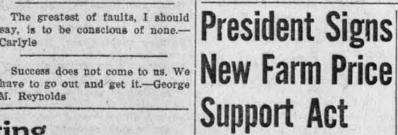
A special program has been ar ranged to present the national view on marketing procedures.

County Farm Bureaus are urged to send representatives to these com modity group meetings. Farmer interested in better marketing pro grams are invited to take an active part in the meetings in the hope that by working together, progress will be made in the marketing field for Michigan agricultural products

Women of the Farm Bureau have their annual meeting at Fairchild Theatre Wednesday, Nov. 9, starting at 10 a.m. 700 or more women delegates are expected from 60 counties.

Co-operative Commodity Conferences will be held Wednesday, Nov. 9, at the Union Memorial building, second floor, for these groups: Dairy, fruit and vegetable, poultry, live stock and wool.

Resolutions adopted at these conferences will be presented to the state Farm Bureau resolutions committee.



price calculated to give farmers a fair exchange on the proceeds of their products as against the coat of the goods they buy.

The fight in Congress was over ways and means to provide farm price supports up to 90% of parity that would also contain practical methods for avoiding unmanageable surpluses. Government buys surpluses in a price support program,

Surpluses are appearing. There-

acreage and marketing controls are

Corn, wheat, cotton, rice and

Congress has adopted and Presi- and can get stuck with them. ient Truman has signed a compromise farm price support bill fore, it is indicated that drastic for 1950 and following years. Called the "Agricultural Act of in sight for some crops-one methderson-Aiken-Gore Act.

Agr'l Act of 1949.

1949", the farm price support mea- od-and reduction in price supsure might well be called the An- ports for others-the second meth-The new farm bill retains important features of the flexible peanuts are guaranteed 90% of farm price support program at 70 parity price supports for 1950,-if to 90% of parity to balance pro- restrictions are placed on plantings duction as provided for in the An- and marketings. Since all are in derson bill and supported by the surplus position, restrictions may Farm Bureau. Continuing farm be expected. Cotton was told that

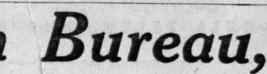
commodities at 90% of parity. turkeys, hogs and soy beans, 0 to Parity is a government support 90%

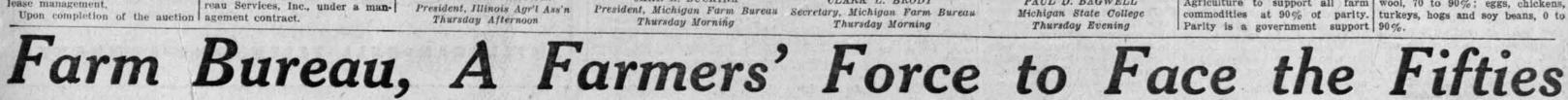
prices supports at 90% of parity the cost of price support at 90% of through 1950 for wheat, corn, cot- parity would be to reduce proton, rice and peanuts was provided duction 1,000,000 bales each year. in the Gore bill passed by the The Secretary of Agriculture House and incorporated in the may reduce price supports below 90% to deal with prospective sur-What Act Does. The new farm pluses in these products: Potatoes, act authorizes the Secretary of milk, butterfat, dairy products and Agriculture to support all farm wool, 70 to 90%; eggs, chickens,

CHARLES B. SHUMAN CARL E. BUSKIRK President, Michigan Farm Bureau Secretary, Michigan Farm Bureau Thursday Morning



CLARK L. BRODY Thursday Morning





PAUL D. BAGWELL Michigan State College Thursday Evening

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Farmers Can Run **Own Business**



"American farmers can and want to run their own businesses," Fred Heinkel, manager of the Missouri Farmers' Association, at left above, tells Waldo E. Phillips, chairman, MAFC, prior to his address to more than 150 representatives of Michigan Co-operatives attending their state association's annual meeting at Michigan State College, October 27.

"Farmers have been victimized by a vicious marketing system and a a victous marketing system and a greedy credit system which has put them into the position of having to sell at wholesale and buy at retail," he said.

"That is why the farm income per capita is less than half the per capita income of non-farm people Farmers represent approximately 20% of the national population. but receive only about 10% of the national incom

However, Mr. Heinkel pointed out that co-operatives have been reversing the tide. They are placing is able to sell at retail and buy at at the annual meeting of the the income of farmers, not by hiking the prices to consumers; but by saving a large share of the dollar Nov. 9.

ing consumers higher quality pro ducts to boot.



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Workmanship

The worthiness of workmanship shall be my theme today And in my heart I feel the truth of what I have to say. The essence of America is that good consciousness That what we do we do with pride, nor will we stop with less. That every task be done as well as we know how to do it That what we start we carry on and with a will work through it.

The man who moulds a building block of gravel and cement Can make it poorer than his best if he is thus content, But set a workman at that job whose pride in it is great And he will turn out better blocks and at a faster rate. No quota that was ever set, no generous scale of pay Can substitute in industry for workmanship today.

The carpenter can scamp his work with numerous shady tricks, Using for lintels two-by-fours which should be two-by-six; With nails omitted here and there, with bridging loose below, And when the house is painted up the defects scarcely show. But sash and doors will bind and stick and floors will sag and dip There is no substitute today for honest workmanship.

The Clinton County Farm Bu reau women were hostesses to the women of District 5, which includ-Genesee counties, at a meeting held in the St. Johns' municipal

Clinton Co. Host

To Dist. 5 Women

hall, October 27. Highlighting the afternoon program was the address given by Mrs. Louise Carpenter of the adult education department, Michigan State College, on the subject of, What They Think Of Us."

The men who sit in Washington posssess tremendous power To solve for good or worse confuse the problems of the hour. es Shiawassee, Ingham, Eaton and God grant them wisdom. is the prayer which millions of us pray And may their workmanship be fine in all they do and say. May they be free from age-old greed and service of the lip And win by fair diplomacy and moral workmanship.

> No strike can take the place of it, no round of increased wages Profits and pacts and subsidies may clutter history's pages But when one day we stand erect with peace securely won, With war and hate behind us and our faces toward the sun, America shall once again her enemies refute

By honest workmanship, for which there is no substitute.

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

vey we were more interested in | neighborhood. These community what improvements could be made groups keep people informed, d than what is being done well already. However, there are more good points on the other side favor.

> -Shiawassee County Farm Bu ea Flashes.

the meeting coming to order on time, we find that practically all community groups are doing a superior job on their order of business. Many groups reported a nearly perfect score on this section of the survey. We have a considerable number

of new groups-over 100 in fact, which met for the first time last year. This survey has placed some handicap on their scores sin... some of the points given depended on the use of past officers in committee work. We are taking this mention: matter into consideration when we compile the final results of the

One other item which we would like to bring to your attention at this time is that only a very small number of the groups are doing anything towards promoting new

Community Farm Bureaus, If we're going to make our 1,000 groups this We want to give credit at this year it'll be because everyone does time to the counties from which we have received all Community Farm his part. Why not think in terms of aiding Community Farm Bureau Bureau set-up-sheets for their groups. They are as follows: Al- growth in your county as a procona, Cass, Livingston, Mecosta, gram in our group this year?

survey.

FARM BUREAU HELPS

FARM BUREAU HELPS As in my field I plowed a furrow, I thought about good old Farm Bureau And how it helps in many ways, All thru the busy weeks and days, For while we work in overalls, Farm Bureau works in legal halls, To help us get our rightful share, Of national income fair and square. And as we toll from morn 'll night, Our only hope is in the fight Farm Bureau wages for our aid, the worth the timest the discrete the second

velop leadership and create better understanding hetween neighbor . Let us work for more community groups in the county. ing our Community Farm program as a whole. With the exception of

Members of the Bingham Com-

munity Farm Bureau of Clinton County entertained their business friends from St. Johns at a potluck dinner with approximately 135 in attendance. The program consisted of a panel discussion on the Farm Bureau by local leaders. Four foreign students from Michigan State college presented a panel discussion of their native lands. The following groups had unusually fine meetings for the month of September and deserve honorable

Calhoun county, Newton Comm FB, Mrs. Harold Everett, sec'y. Emmet, Tobacco Road, Mrs.

Gertrude Ball, sec'y. Genesee, Flushing No. 1, Mrs. Robert Coyner, sec'y. Huron, Harbor, Mrs. Harold Har-

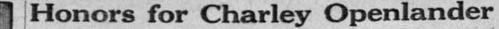
wood, Jr., śec'y. Huron, Bingham, Mrs. William Logan, sec'y.

Lapeer, Lapeer Twp., Mrs. Leslie Conant, sec'y St. Clair, Wales, Mrs. Gordon

Sutton, sec'v

Paul Bagwell Banquet Speaker

Prof. Paul D. Bagwell, will speak event. at the annual banquet of the Mich-





Above we see Clark L. Brody, executive secretary of the Michigan Farm Bureau, congratulating Charley Openlander (left) of Grand Ledge R-3, Eaton county, upon 20 years of fine service to the Michigan Farm Bureau as a district membership representative. Employes of the Field Services Division of the MFB held a banquet in Charley's honor at Lansing, October 21. The group presented him with a Masonic ring. Mr. Openlander retired September 10. Since 1944 he had District 5 consisting of Clinton, Eaton, Genesee, Ingham and Shiawassee counties.

Serious Loss of Kalph Brown Now with Kansas City Co-op Ralph Brown, manager of the Indiana Farm Bureau farm imple-**Soil Fertility** ment dep't for ten years, has been named supervisor of the Consumers Co-operative Ass'n farm ma In Midwest chinery program, with headquarters at Kansas City. Consumers serves

farmers in seven middle western states and is one of the largest co "The middle west sent more nit operatives in the nation. Before ogen, phosphorus and potash in he went to, Indiana, Mr. Brown feeds and forages to 7 eastern states was manager of the Michigan Farm than those 7 states purchased in fer-Bureau Services farm equipment tilizers; and, they are the heaviest service, and before that was a fertilizer users in the nation," Dr. district representative for Farm George D. Scarseth, director of re-Bureau Services. His son Harold search for the American Farm Reis with the United Co-operatives. search Association, told farmers at-Inc., control laboratory at Alliance, tending a monthly dinner meeting Ohio. sponsored jointly by the Genesee

County Farm Brueau and the Genesee Soil Conservation District, Octo-WKAR Program ber 24.

"The phosphor'us and potash re turned to the middle western soils in the form of fertilizer is only a fraction of the removal by crops. The losses from erosion are even

greater," Dr. Scarseth said. "Even after 70 years of farming, the structure of the Farm Bureau which has largely been soil mining will be presented over Station WKpractices, the soils are producing AR on Monday noon, November 7th, troublesome crop surpluses which at 1:00 o'clock. This is one of the are blanketing the true status of a regularly scheduled Farm Forum serious soil decline in factors that Programs. Members of the discannot be rebuilt quickly. Howcussion group will include Keith ever, it will need to become still Tanner, director of field services of worse before education and practhe Michigan Farm Bureau, Boyd tices reverse this trend and it may Rainey, director of procurement for make it too late to bring about a the Farm Bureau Services, Inc. correction of the soil deficiences." and Oscar Anderson, director of Grant Salsbury, farm editor of WKAR, was toastmaster for the

patron's relations of the Farm Bureau Services. The program will counties. be moderated by Donald Kinsey, director of research and informa-

On Farm Bureau

A radio program dealing with

Making Good **Progress on** 950 Roll Call

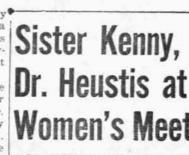
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Roll Call planning seems to be shaping up well for the 1950 One Big, Week Membership campaign, Most counties seem to be following the proven plan. Certainly by all working together through such a plan the desired results should be obtained. It has been found that it does not pay to leave anything to chance so it is important for all who have any responsibility to check and double-check to be sure that nothing is left undone that would affect the final results. It is important for Roll Call managers to keep a constant check on all planning and progress as we draw loser to the big week.

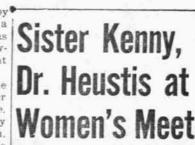
One of the important parts of the Roll Call planning is good publicity. Inasmuch as the counties are going out all at the same time or the roll call this year the publicity can well have a greater effect and be of greater help.

The publicity department of Michigan Farm Bureau has prepared some good publicity helps which include mats for advertising. They have also prepared some news story helps and suggestions that have been put in the hands of the

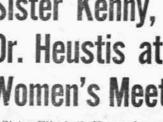
Radio spot announcements and short skits are being prepared and



director of the Elizabeth Kenny Institute, and Dr. Albert Heustis, commissioner of the Michigan State the farmer in a pesition where he Department of Health, are to speak wholesale. Co-ops are increasing Women of the Michigan Farm Bureau at Fairchild Theatre. Michigan State College, Wednesday,



Sister Elizabeth Kenny, honorary



year of Community Farm Bureau for farmers that consumers spend for farm products. They are giv-in the work that women of the show that we added over 100 new Michigan Farm Bureau have been groups in 1949. If we do as good doing in 60 counties to promote a job and just a little bit better county health programs, cancer this year we would hit the 1,000 detection centers, group hospitalization, hospital construction, etc. He is to speak at 10:25 o'clock, as he is due in Detroit at 1 p. m. Sister Kenny is flying from Los Angeles to speak to Farm Bureau women. She will arrive at Chicago in the morning and come direct to Fairchild theatre for the afternoon program. Women of the groups to go to hit 1,000. The fol-Farm Bureau have taken great interest in the Sister Kenny treat Members of the Administrative ment for polio patients, and the The W. K. Kellogg Mothers' Band, a group of 20 farm women under will be one of the musical attrac-Mecosta be elected.



year.

ford.



STAR AWARDS

Farm Bureau, Alpena county,

Gold Star-Bolton Community

Mrs. Roland Ohlrich, sec'y.

Silver Star-Mayfield Commun-

ty, Mrs. Lucy Hovey, sec'y.

Silver Star-Quincy Community

Farm Bureau, Branch county,

Mrs. Richard Buchanan, sec'y.

CONGRATULATIONS!

ity Farm Bureau, Lapeer coun-

MICHIGAN FARM NEWS

The Michigan Association of Farmors Co-operatives' annual banquet was held in honor of Claude Nash, who has retired after many years of service te farmers as a specialist in agricultural marketing.

John Davis, executive secretary of the National Council of Farmers Co-operatives, discussed, "Cooperatives and the Law of Diminlehing Returns", at the noon lunch-COD.

Council elected for the coming year | Sister Kenny centers in Michigan. include the following: Waldo E. Phillips, chairman, representing Michigan Elevator Exchange; Fred direction of Mrs. Lewis Spieldenner P. Hibst, vice-chairman, Michigan Potato Growers Exchange; John tions of the meeting. The winner VanderMolen, Zeeland Farmers Co- of the 1949 public speaking conop; Howard F. Simmons, Michigan test for Farm Bureau women will Milk Producers Association; B. B. present her speech. Officers will Needham, Cherry Growers, Inc.;

A. P. Kline, Northland Co-op Federation; Roy Ward, Farm Bureau Services; Thomas Berghouse, Falmouth Co-op; George Brooks, St. Johns Co-op; G. S. Coffman, Coldwater Dairy Company; William H. Hill, Detroit Packing Company; Carl Buskirk, Michigan Farm Bureau; Roman Booms, Ruth Farmers Elevator; and Arthur Ingold, Mich-L. Brody is executive secretary, and J. F. Yaeger is assistant executive secretary.

Kent Member Has 853 Bu. Potato Yield

Potato production records in Michigan are tumbling again this year. Frank Falkies of Delta county in the upper peninsula produced 794 bushels an acre in 1947 and 847 bushels an acre last year to become the Michigan potato king. But he may have to dig deep in his potato fields this year to better an early harvest yield reported in Kent county.

Michigan State College farm crop authorities assemble the entries for the premier potato growers award and have certified a tage of seasonal ups and downs, yield of \$53.8 bushels an acre for Edwin Parmeter, Rockford, a Kent County Farm Bureau member. This yield of certified Katahdin variety was made on a ten acre field.

Plant Farm Bureau Seeds.



One of the best ways to dispose of grain is to put it into livestock igan Livestock Exchange. Clark and thus convert it into usable food

> This suggestion for use of surtension service of the host coun-Branch, and Michigan State College.

Brown, head of the MSC animal husbandry department. He stated that he believed the farmer will do better in finding a way of disposing of his products through consumers instead of storing. Cattle and hog feeders were told

that they must consider livestock marketing as a part of their production program. It takes planning before buying, taking advanand paying attention to what the consumer wants, said "Ike" Walton, manager of the farmer-owned Michigan Livestock Exchange.

ander Smith

paid!

Midland, Monroe, N. W. Michigan,

Osceola, St. Joseph, Wayne, Wex-

COMMUNITY FARM BUREAU

GOAL

If you had the records from last

mark. This means an increase of 128 groups. It looks like a lot but division of a democracy. In it all when you consider that if each County Farm Bureau would add two groups this 1950 year we'd almost make it. The following groups were organized or re-organized during the month of September. They number six. This leaves us 122 lowing counties have a head start:

DISTRICT II Calhoun county-N. Athens, Miss Marie Belote, sec'y.

Lenawee-(Re-org.), Will Carlton, Mrs. Eloise Jacob, see'y. DISTRICT IV

Barry county-Quailtrap, Mrs. Lloyd Sixberry, sec'y.

DISTRICT VII county-Hawkins, Lottie Eichenberg, sec'y. DISTRICT IX

Benzie county-Herring Lake, Maisie Nugent, sec'y.

DISTRICT X Ogemaw county-Geroy, Mrs. Barbara Reetz, sec'y.

SHEET

ed or all in for the groups. If you haven't already rated your group in one of your meetings, ask about

plus feed was made at the recent | Generally speaking, the surveys re-Michigan farm management tour ceived to date show the greatest conducted by the co-operative ex- weakness in most community groups to be in matters of organties, Lenawee, Hillsdale and ization such as functioning com mittees and the acceptance of the responsibilities by individuals so

Many may not want to fill and that a thoroughly rounded program seal corn cribs now, suggests G. A. is achieved by the group and each member does his part.

Publicity seems to be another weakness. The group is not mak ing their community familiar with its objectives. In most cases this is

not due to the lack of a publicity chairman but rather the failure to assign specific responsibilities along these lines to the publicity chair man by your executive group. Two glaring weaknesses that could be easily overcome which have showed up on a large portion of the sur-

veys could be corrected by the members themselves. Groups reported they want more active participation

in discussion and that their mem-If a man is worth knowing at all, bers do not read the FARM NEWS he is worth knowing well,-Alex- before coming to their meeting. Of course, when we ran the surten times the dues we've igan Farm Bureau Thursday even ing. Mr. Bagwell has been a mem-

Edwin Dates Alcona County

The family unit is the small college since 1938, and head of the department of written and spoken members share alike in sorrows, English since 1944. In 1948 he was joys, or woes. . . The next larger president of the United States division of a democrary is the Junior Chamber of Commerce, In neighborhood. . . If it is organized that year he made an extensive is could be . . . a Community Farm | speaking tour of the United States, Bureau group. . . Here neighbors Hawaii, Alaska, Canada, Central air their views, discuss their prob- and South America. He has been lems, exchange ideas, and talk prominent in civic activities, and politics, crops, or what have you. has served on several special com-In these groups new ideas are born, mittees of the federal government conclusions reached and many in relation to training of youth. times action on important matters

to their community, state, or nation We will make some mistakes but is taken. For this reason, the Farm these will be honest ones based on Bureau is anxious to have a com- decisions influenced only by the munity discussion group in every facts as we see them .--- E. F. Becker

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PRINTING

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wages.

WANTED to do domestic work on arm. Room and board, and some vages. Write Miss F. Spittler, 1527 Sycamore Street, Wyandotte, Michi-gan. (11-1t-p)

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WANTED TO RENT 100-200 acres dairy farm on cash basis. By exper-ienced farmer. Prefer buildings in good repair. Excellent references furnished. Edward Gottschalk, Farming-ton R-3, Michigan, (10-2t-26p)

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ATTENTION, Wool Growers-send ATTENTION, Wool Growers-send your wool to us and you are guaran-teed the ceiling price. We are pur-chasing wool for the government. Year around wool marketing service and prompt settlement made. Michigan Co-operative Wool Marketing Associ-ation, 596 N. Mechanic St., Jackson, Michigan. Phone 3-4246 (3tf-44b)

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NOW IS THE TIME to order all needed sap collecting and bolling equipment for 1950. For complete in-formation on all syrup making and rences fur-, Farming-Supplies Co., P. O. Box 1107, Lansing, Mich, (4-11-34b)

Public opinion is merely what tion of the Michigan Farm Bureau. will be available for use by the people think people think .-- Gene ber of the faculty of Michigan State Memis

counties whenever they are de-Buy Farm Bureau Seeds. sired.





GOOD NEIGHBORS-In Michigan Bell territory there are more than 450 "roadway telephone companies"-small organizations whose farmer-members own and maintain some 6,000 telephones and 640 lines which connect with Michigan Bell switchboards. Michigan Bell charges the roadways only for switching and Long Distance calls, but as good neighbors, the company's technicians are available for assistance. They inspect the lines, demonstrate proper construction methods, help the roadways to obtain materials, and loan them special telephone tools. This helps to assure better rural telephone service for everyone.

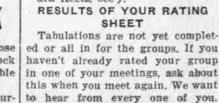
TINY TUBE-A new electron tube, developed by Bell Telephone Laboratories, is so small that it must be assembled under a microscope. It is six times more sensitive than present tubes used in radio relay Long Distance circuits and mobile telephone service. It will save space and save power and have a longer life. It's another step in the parade of telephone progress.

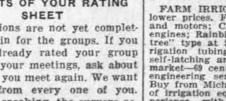


HOW LONG IS A LONG DISTANCE? It may be across several counties, across the state or across the nation. But actually today, distance doesn't matter when you want to talk to someone. Your telephone will take you anywhere in a few minutes. If it's a buyer of farm products or a supplier of farm equipment you want to reach, one Long Distance call may make or save you many dollars. Service is friendly and courteous. And it costs surprisingly little.

MICHIGAN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY







SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1949

Time to Find Out Who Wants Hospital Plan

A list of "Who's Who" among Farm Bureau members will save confusion during the next Blue Cross enrollment period, according to Austin L. Pino, Blue Cross Rural Enrollment Manager.

Powell Joins Ranks "You will remember that a list **Of Machine Farmers** of paid Farm Bureau members is necessary in order to arrive at a required number of new Blue Cross appHeations," Mr. Pino said.

"It would be a good idea for Farm Bureau Blue Cross secretaries to start making that list at once, and add to it as new Farm Bureau members are signed up during the farm, he said that from now on, annual Roll Call. Then you will it will be tractors only as far as he know "Who's Who" when preparing for Blue Cross resolicitation."

Mr. Pino stated that to check now with presently-enrolled members for any changes in address will make the task at re-enrollment

Quilt Pieces Cotton Prints Selected size, 5 oz. package 25c-5 packages \$1. Send 10c for samples. William Mof-fett. Box \$72, Ellwood City, Penna. It's not good to see things as we prefer to see them rather than as



MICHIGAN FARM NEWS

We tried to convince them that their policy of more men employed with less work hours and greater unproductive privileges would never cheapen food. Every time they asked for more pay and less work. Make 4 Day Tour never cheapen food. Every time they they invited a higher cost of living | farmer should or should not have in the same breath. or do. We hear it over the radio,

Of U. P. Co-ops No, we must keep our groups distinct and separate. We must never allow ourselves and our busi-

ness to get so organized that we Thirty-three managers and dirare under the thumb of a handful ectors of farmer co-operatives of of men, who without conscience, can lower Michigan completed a 4-day bring about idleness which is the tour of co-operatives in the Upper Penninsula October 11, 12, 13, 14 mother of crime and privation and eventually lost self-respect. under the sponsorship of the Mich-

Farmers may not get what they igan Association of Farmer Cofeel they are entitled to for their operatives. labor and investment, but they still Plans for the tour were arranged have their liberty and can do their largely by Reino Kiiskinen manager of the Northland Co-op Federation own thinking if they want to. Let's be on our guard and keep it located at Rock, Michigan. On the evening of October 13, the local asthat way.

sociation affiliated with Northland Co-op Federation were hosts to the Farm Editors visiting delegation at a banquet held in the Lions Club hall at Rock. Tour Co-ops in tour included: Alger-Delta Co-operative Electric Ass'n; Norway Canning Company; Bruces Crossing Co-op Cheese Factory; Settlers Co-op **Allegan County** Society; Hancock Potato Growers Warehouse; Northern Co-operat-

ives, Inc.; Copper Country Cheese Western Michigan farm editors Co-op; Negaunee Co-op Store; Chatmaking a tour of the co-operative ham Co-op Store; Trenary Co-op associations of Allegan county the Store; Rock Cooperative; Northforepart of October heard Arthur land Co-op Federation; and Steph-Howland, MSC agricultural econ- ansen Marketing Ass'n. Persons representing the seven-

teen Southern Michigan Co-ops of rural neighborliness on an econmade the tour: Allen Coss, Harry Hunt, A. M. Johnson, Battle Creek Farm Bu-Elevator; B. B. Needham, Cherry

writers were: Allegan Co-op Ass'n; Detroit Packing Co. Otsego Sanitary Milk Products Co.: Urban Fox, Fowler Co-op Elevat-Martin Co-op Co.; Salem Co-op and cr; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brodbeck, Hamilton Farm Bureau, Business Freeport Co-op Creamery; Ed. transacted by the co-operatives of Wightman, Ivan Parsons, the county amounts to more than Lang, Milo Ryner, Grand Blanc

tural agent.

cheaper and why milk was so high **Farmers** Now We reminded him that the dairy farmer's income came from the milk and butter and cheese that he **Provide Their** produced. If the expense stopped with the producer, there was no doubt whatever but that the price to the consumer would be much less **Own Services** than at present. But, after it left the farm it had to go through many

They own and operate Farm Bureau business enterprises with assets totaling several million dol-

there to cheer for him, but the

tion.

Alfred Bentall

Farm Bureau, passed away at his

home in Lansing October 1 at the

age of 77. Mr. Bentall was a mem

ber of the Michigan Farm Bureau

staff for 27 years prior to his re-

tirement Dec. 31, 1948. He number

ed thousands of Farm Bureau mem

bers throughout the state among

If you know of members failing to receive their Michigan Farm News, please send us a postcard giving name, postoffice and RFD number together with name of County Farm Bureau. Thank you, Michigan Farm News, P. O. Box 960, Lansing, Mich.

Not Getting News?

Man is still selfish, and this must be still seriously reckoned with in calculating what he will do in his relationship with his fellows .--George W. Perkins



IT TAKES SO LITTLE CONCRETE **TO MAKE YOUR FARM** MORE PRODUCTIVE

Mr. Bentall joined the staff of Concrete improvements will his friends and acquaintances. the Michigan Farm Bureau in 1922 help you produce more eggs, and was director of membership milk, beef, pork, ---.

work for four years. He came from Allegan county where he had been It takes very little portland cement ounty agricultural agent for six to make those needed improveyears. When the Farm Bureau took ments around the farm. You can the state agency for the State Farm haul back enough on your next trip Mutual Automobile Insurance Com- to town to make a good start.

pany, Mr. Bentall was placed in For instance, you need only 20 charge of that work as director of bags of cement-less than a toninsurance. He was phenomenally bags of tement less than a ton-successful from the start. At the

time of his retirement, he headed • 250 sq. ft. of 4-inch floor for feed an agency force of several hundred lot, barn, or hog or poultry house. people, and was responsible for • 166 sq. ft. of 6-inch wall.

icies and a large volume of life in • Two big, 8-foot long watering surance in rural Michigan. troughs. Mr. Bentall was a vigorous work-

er in the Farm Bureau and for farm • 125 sq. ft. of 8-inch thick founco-operatives. Prior to 1916, he or. dation.

ganized a fruit growers marketing • A 10-can capacity insulated milk co-operative at Northport in Lee- cooling tank, lanau county. While agr'l agent

for Allegan county, he helped organ- Plan to build up your place now ize 12 farm co-operatives. Thirty with economical, long-lasting, fireyears later all but one were operat- safe concrete. We'll gladly send free ing successfully, and several were plans and suggestions. If you need help, get in touch with your concrete Mr. Bentall was born at Setting- contractor, ready-mixed concrete

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Michigan farmers are providing themselves with many important services through their Farm Bureau. They maintain a legislative division to represent organized farm interest on county and state

legislation. They provide themselves with a broad program of adult education through their community discussion groups. They support the Michigan Farm News, a monthly educational publica-

All of these services are correlat-

cheers grew more faint and hollow ed at state offices in Lansing. To

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Lynch and Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Pierson, Michigan Milk Producers Ass'n. E. F. Middleemas, Otsego Sanitary Milk Products; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hickmott, Oxford Co-op Elevator; Webb Linebaugh, Portland Co-op; Herman Steinke, Rogoutstanding in their fields, ers City Marketing Ass'n; Mr. and Mrs. Clare Beach, Vestaburg Markbourne, England. He went to eting Ass'n; and Clifford Kuhn, British Columbia as a young man to West Branch Farmers Cooperative Others in the tour were Elmer

entered the Moody Bible Institute stead in Benzie county, and at

Fred

"Every man who strikes blows one time he operated a large orch for power, for influence, for insti- ard at Old Mission on the Peninsula tutions, for the right, must be just north of Traverse City. as good an anvil as he is a hammer."-Josiah Holland Plant Farm Bureau Seeds.

were Allan Kline, president of the the opposite and would continue to American Farm Bureau Federado so whenever the opportunity tion; Albert Goss, master of National Grange; Mrs. Charles Se-In discussing it with President well of Associated Women of A.F.B. Sam Thompson, Mr. Thompson F.; Philip Pillsbury, president of made the remark. Pillsbury Mills; Merle Thomas, "There's just so represented Rural Youth of U.S.A.; much human na-Charles Taft of the Federal Counture in everyone cil of Churches; and the CIO secreand a lot more in tary of Columbus, Ohio.

In the general discussion which

followed, there were farmers, pro-

cessors and co-operators present to

tell him why bread could not be

processes and some of them costly

before it reached the consumer in

the manner the latter had demand-

ed. Furthermore, every single pro-

cess was manned by a union man

demanding higher wages. The same

situation applied to the price of

bread and meat and all other types

of food. We told him the real cost

of any food was now regulated by

the consumer himself and could be

the farmer. And more than that

American farming was the only

business today free from unin-

formed and radical dictation and

He had ,many of his buddies lars.

we wanted none of it.

animal

no different if he was tied with

we read it in almost every mag-

azine or paper we pick up but it

looks as if none of us know what we

One of the highlights of the

American Country Life Association

was a panel discussion ou "What Does Agriculture Need?" Frank

Peck of Farm Foundation was mod-

erator. Those who participated

are heading into.

some people. We Mr. Kline explained the Farm saw an example Bureau farm policy, Mr. Goss told of it this mornhow the Grange differed somewhat, ing." I've had Mrs. Sewell made a plea for the several occasions farm home. Mr. Taft expressed a to recall this rehope for a better understanding of mark, especially farm problems by non-farmers, Mr. when certain ones Pillsbury was sympathetic to farm want to be agreeprices being on a par with others. MRS.WAGAR able at the mo-The young man urged greater but I know full well security for farm industry so that that down in their hearts they farm young folks would be encouraged to continue on a lifetime I could not help but think of it basis; but the CIO man who ad-

when we heard the vote on the mitted he knew nothing about farmfarm policy just previous to the ading or any of its problems, made a journment of Congress. For months most earnest appeal for the farmer this question was hanging fire, All and labor to combine forces. members of Congress knew what He said he felt there were sec was best for the farmer, or they

in price.

tions already quite favorable to the wanted folks to think they knew, movement. He pointed out the but when that last vote was taken, great savings there could be for only about 3% of the Senate voted both producer and consumer in the livestock industry and in handling Where were the rest of them? of all food crops. He mentioned the

On Cost of Food

By MRS. EDITH M. WAGAR

Some years ago at a national

Farm Bureau annual meeting, I

was surprised when I listened to

the greeting we received from the

representative of another national

farm organization. He expressed

himself as being in full agreement

with us in our policy and the meth-

od we had taken to secure it, al-

though we knew he had advocated

presented itself.

don't mean it.

Briar Hill Farm, Carleton, Mich.

Well, a very few had reasonable price of steaks and pork crops excuses-they were sick. But a along with bread and milk, etc. goodly number were in Europe making surveys of some type or other. Now these surveys may be just

what our country needs, but they are so numerous and so frequent that I am almost suspicious that some of them are not convincing to even the folks who participate.

They remind me of the girl who went to Lookout Mountain on her honeymoon. When asked if there was snow in February on the mountain peak, said she really didn't notice; she was so thrilled with the little train that transported people to the top.

Wherever one goes these days, we can hear someone tell just what the

Monroe-Wilbur J. Lohr, Ida.

Newaygo-Glen J. Speet, 209 S. Stewart, Fremont. Oakland-Fred H. Haddon, Holly R-2; Luciuc Lyon, Mil-ford R-4.

Oceana-W. Hull Yeager, Hart

Dgemaw-Junior Guy Clemens, Prescott R-2, Osceola-Russell McLachlan.

Ottawa-Gerrit Elzinga, Hud-souville R-2; Sam Rymer, Spring Lake.

Presque Isle-Byron Howell, Rogers City.

St. Clair-Wilbur C. Quick, Em-

St. Joseph-Lyman E. Seller, Leonidas.

Tuscola-Kenneth Baur, Caro, R-1; Norman A. McConnell, Akron R-1.

dusky.



at all.

emist, sum up the tour by saying: "Co-operatives are the expression

omic basis. Much misunderstanding of their purpose could be cleared up if more urban people could reau; Dick Schantz and Ward see a co-operative at work. They are Parsell, Caro Farmers Elevator: built on service to and between Clifford Allen, Chesaning Farmers

farmers," he added. Organizations visited by the Growers, Inc; Calvin Hammond,

ten million dollars annually.

Co-operative; Fred Coty, Gratiot The tour was sponsored by A. D. Farmers Supply Co.; Theodore Morley, Allegan county agricul- Esch, Lake Leelanau Co-operative;

Leifeit, W. Victor Bielinski, Farm Bureau Services, Inc.; and Everett Young and Ben Pattison of Michigan Ass'n of Farmer Co-operatives.

Northport in Leelanau county, At

in 1899. He was the pastor of churches at Cleon and Marilla in Manistee county, Honor and Home

"My share of my \$1,582 hospital bill

THREE

Co-op Leaders

Co-operatives visited during the

time easier "Also, some of the Discussion Labor Gets Lesson Groups are not protected by the Blue Cross surgical or medicalsurgical services, and now is the time to start finding out if they are interested in adding these services," he said. "Many people who would not enroll for hospital service only are waiting to enroll when they can obtain full service protection. Don't wait until resolicitation time to

Joining the ranks of all machine powers was Stanley M. Powell, egislative counsel for the Michigan Farm Bureau. After a published statement recently to the effect that he was ready to sell the last team of horses remaining on his is concerned.

start learning who wants what!

Now is the time to begin stirring

up interest," he declared.

A mistake is like a grain of dust in one's eye. It causes trouble all out of proportion to its size or importance .- A. W. Robertson

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This is a fast growing Company. We have gained 1,500 policies since the Oct. 1 Michigan Farm News, when 8,000 were reported. Your local Farm Bureau agent can tell you about our program for supplying Farm Bureau members with automobile insurance at cost. He can tell you about our liberal and efficient claim service.

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when we told him the ingredients carry out its extensive program, of the bread represented the cheapa much cheaper basis, no matter what organization controlled the wheat

T-bone steaks and pork chops hav. Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance ing to carry the loss incurred by | Company, which provides Farm their refusal to eat the cheaper cuts Bureau members with lower cost and the lard and other parts of the automobile and farm liability insurance.

the Farm Bureau has set up sevest single cost of the loaf. We said eral subsidiary and affiliated units, the labor involved in getting it to each carrying out distinctive phas the consumer would have to be on es of the Farm Bureau program. These include Farm Bureau Services, Inc., which distributes high business if the price was ever re- quality farm supplies; Farmers duced, regardless of the price of Petroleum Cooperative, Inc., which supplies farmers , with all-impor-We gave them facts about their tant petroleum products, and the

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J. L. Nolan to **Address Oil Co-op** Annual

The Farmers Petroleum Cooper ative Company will hold its first annual meeting Thursday, Decem- tion Committee of the American her I, at the Reo Clubhouse in Lans- Petroleum Institute, Society of ing, starting at 10:30 a. m. More Automotive Engineers and the Amthan 350 delegates representing 1751 | orican Society for Testing Materistockholders are planning to attend als. the meeting

plimentary noon luncheon.

to his

pendent marketing of petroleum products. Having served as director and officer of the National Co-operative Refinery Association of Kansas, the Premier Petroleum Company of Texas, and the National Co-operatives, Inc. in 1931. Mr. Nolan was employed by the FUCE as manager of the petroleum department and remains at that capacity.

Petroleum Council, the Lubrica-

He is a member of the National

Midland Women **OrganizeCouncil**

A rural-urban council of women's groups in Midland county is to be organized as the result of a conerence of 26 groups in October. The meeting was promoted by the vomen of the Midland County Farm Bureau

Early in the conference it became plain that various groups were inerested in related projects and that a coordinating council could help them accomplish more in Midland county. A panel led by Miss Esther An-

son of the MSC adult education dep't directed a general discussion Mr. J. L. Nolan, manager of the of education, housing, recreation petroletim department of the Farm- for young people, and for families er's Union Central Exchange, will Later the entire audience organized be the principal speaker at the com- in groups of six to decide each

one's opinion on a most important Mr. Nolan is a graduate of the problem and its solution.







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MICHIGAN FARM NEWS

A demonstration of a new method of bulk spreading of superphosphate was held at the Rudy Beyer farm near Saginaw, October 26. The event was sponsored by Farm Bureau Services, Inc., and launched a new service offered by the organization's fertilizer department and operating from their fertilizer manufacturing plant at Saginaw. Some 50 farmers, Farm Bureau equipment dealers and Production Marketing Administration committeemen from Bay City and Saginaw attended the demonstration.

The object of the event was to show farmers the savings made possible through the bulk handling of fertilizers over the usual method of distribution. It demonstrated that farmers can now have 20 % superphosphate spread on their land for about what it costs them to purchase it packaged in 80-lb. bags at their local dealer. With this service, the farmer may now go to his local Farm Bureau fertilizer dealer and order 20% superphosphate to be spread on his land. The dealer in turn will forward the order to the fertilizer plant at Saginaw.

the Council for Church Women, Mrs. R. J. McWethy of the county Spreader Does Granges, Mrs. Glen Stowitz of the Home Extension groups, Miss Sadie Quickly Job Wolf of the Business and Professional Women, and Mrs. Roy Varner of

the Farm Bureau. Mrs. Varner is At the fertilizer plant, the supply a member of the planning commitof superphosphate is then loaded diee named for the council of ruralrectly into the large 8-ton capacity urban women in Midland county. hopper, mounted on a truck. A 16ft. spreader is mounted at the rear of the hopper. It is designed for

Notice to **Group Officers**

Michigan Farm Bureau, P. O. Box

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old method. A considerable number of Farm As the fertilizer in the hoppen Bureau Community Group officers falls toward the vacuum sweeper have written the Michigan Farm type mechanism mounted on the Bureau asking why they have not rear of the unit, a fan shoots it outreceived Discussion Leader's Letward so that the mixture is laid ters and other officer notices. evenly over a 16-ft, path on the Many have been asking that Disground. cussion Program folders be sent

In addition to the savings made, there is also the advantage of enfor the members of their group. A abling the farmer to continue with note of explanation is in order. his other harvesting problems, and When the State Discussion Topic Committee met in August, 1949, he is spared the time consuming trouble of going to his local dealthe committee voted to discontinue er, buying the superphosphate in the Program Folders and the semiindividual bags, trucking it home, yearly Discussion Leader's Guide. and spreading it on his farm with a In their place, the Committee recommended that the list of coming drill. Farmers have realized for a long time that pastures and hay programs be published every month fields may be sadly lacking in phoson the back page of this paper, phate, but when it came time to just below the regular article of make the application, they could the monthly discussion materials. not spare the time to do so. Each Discussion leader of the

applying 400 pounds of superphos-

phate per acre. The truck then pro-

ceeds to the farm and applies the

ertilizer in about one-fourth of the

ime that it would take under the

It is the feeling of Farm Bureau group gets a Discussion Leader's Services that they are now able to Letter sent to him monthly. If he has not been receiving it, first offer a real service where it is needed so badly. check to be sure that your group secretary has sent in the "Set-up"

it is not safe for a minority group | Do You Have to depend upon legislation for its income. They said too much secur-

ity is a detriment to initiative, and that loss of freedom is the price of favors from government. It was observed that foreign countries should buy our products with the money we loan them rath-

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A Corn Show? Many Farm Bureau services deal-

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We urge farmers having corn grown from seed secured through time. Neither space nor machin- grade. An egg grading station at Farm Bureau dealers to get in on delegate. The group approved a on both Kingscrost and Michigan Bring seed before Dec. 1 for custom resolution urging that Farm Bu- hybrids in early and late maturity cleaning.

Dep't, P.O. Box 960 for infomation. brought in. If you can leave it, we retary,

If I were a Farm Bureau mem- | would want to continue in Farm ber I would have a deep feeling of Bureau and use it to the fullest e tent. I would use it like any of the satisfaction and security. I would other tools on my farm whenever feel that I am not alone in the I had the opportunity and whenever great struggle for a fair share of necessary. I would want to meet the good things of life for agricul- | with my neighbors in the communture. While carrying on day by day ity and county meetings to study on my farm, I would have the sat- and plan with them good, sound activities and help to carry the isfaction of knowing that my voice is being heard with many others through. Yes, I would want to put in legislative halls and other immyself fully into Farm Bureau in order to get the most out of it. portant places. I would feel that am just as smart as the people in Help in the Roll Call. If I were a Farm Bureau member I would other walks of life who are organ want to be one of the 6,000 workers

Proud to be a Farm Bureau Mem-to help in the 1950 roll call to build Farm Bureau stronger, Mals member I would be proud of the others are helping in the Roll Call fact that I am one of over 1,326,000 so why shouldn't 1? As I view confarm families in Farm Bureau ditions and problems confronting in our nation. In fact, I would be farmers today. I am sure I would one of over 5,000,000 individuals, feel better and more secure if there for Farm Bureau membership is were more farmers in Farm Bua family membership. This would reau, so I would want to co-operate give me a feeling of encouragement in the Roll Call to bring in mo members. that I am part of a great movement Yes, if I were a Farm Bureau for better things for agriculture

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Bureau Member

and my country. I would be proud of the fact that I am a member of | fact and would have a deep feeling the largest farm organization in the world.

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Egg Marketing Co-op

Poultry producers in Branch

County met at the Farm Bureau

organized a new egg marketing co-

County Egg Co-operative will mar

and prices received will be based on

member I would be proud of the

of satisfaction in working with my

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effort to bring about better things

SPRING SEEDING Branch County Has

Every year many seed growers bring their seed to the Farm Bu reau seed dep't at Lansing for cleaning after the Dec. 1 deadline is pass ed. Your Farm Bureau desires always to be of service, whether it is offices at Coldwater, October 13 and

cleaning seeds or other work. However, we have tried to stress operative association. The Bran every year that we cannot do custom cleaning and prepare seed for ket eggs produced in the vicinity Farm Bureau dealers at the same

ery is ample to do this. We have Hudson will handle the eggs markreau annual meeting. Orlo Snide is these contests. Prizes are offered to set a time for custom cleaning. eted. Officers of the new association are: Howard Olmstead, presiden It is almost impossible for us to Dean Pridgeon, vice president;

clean seed the same day it is and Mrs. Margaret Cranson, see

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sheets showing the new officers of Supports High the Community Group for this year. If these have been sent in, then write to Mrs. Marjorie Gardner, stating your problem and giv-Are ing her your correct name and address. Mrs. Gardner's address is:

South Jackson Community Farm Bureau of Jackson county said at its October 12 meeting at the home of Mrs. Evelyn Bradley that it is not in favor of high farm support prices. It said that there is not an equal balance of price support between live stock and grain. Some in the group felt that price support should be discontinued and let consumption take care of production. In further discussion of the Brannan plan, the group said that

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FARM PRICES DROP 20 PCT.

Prices of farm commodities have declined 20% from the all-time high of January, 1948. Meanwhile retail food prices have declined only 7%. The trend in farm income has continued downward at an accelerated rate this year. To date, it totals 18.8 billion dollars, which represents about an 11% decrease from the first 9 months of 1948.

Farm income has not fallen quite to the extent that farm prices have because the farmer has had more to sell this year, together with the factor of government price supports.

Europe Needs Agr'l **Extension** Service "The one kind of aid which Eur-

ope needs greatly from America, but which hasn't had the public attention it deserves, is information on its latest technical and scientific discoveries in agriculture." according to W. J. Ogg, director of international affairs for the American Farm Bureau Federation

Mr. Ogg's idea is that Europe could use farm extension service which would work with the continent's agricultural colleges and farm experiment stations.



Promoted Oscar Anderson of Lansing has

dising manager for Farm Bureau Services. Inc. He will continue as head of the Patrons Relations division. The sales and merchandising

manager will plan and carry out sales, merchandising and advertising promotions for supplies and equipment distributed by Farm Bureau Services,



Mr. Anderson is chairman of a newly organized FBS planning council for sales and merchandis-

ing. He will be assisted in the program by the heads of the divisions of distribution, procurement and advertising and their assistants, and by the manager of the Farmers Petroleum Co-operative. Oscar started with Farm Bureau Services in 1934 as manager of the Marshall Farm Bureau Oil Company. Feb. 1, 1937 he became a travelling district representative for FBS. In 1942 he took over the order desk at Lansing for two years, was made supervisor of dist. rict men in 1944 and promoted to head the patrons relations program

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rainfall averaging 31 inches. It is well distributed throughout the year, and with little annual variation. Dry periods are local and of brief duration. Most of Michigan is covered by absorbent glacial drift, a porous formation averaging 100 to 200 feet in depth. It absorbs

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Brody Attends Nat'l Defense Conference

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Clark L. Brody, executive secre-This Money tary of the Michigan Farm Bureau, represented our organization at the Joint Civilian Conference on National Defense, Sept. 19-26 at the invitation of Secretary of Defense at Washington. The Conference was attended by

eaders in industry, labor, agricul-Quite a number of letters containing checks for dividends, or ture, the professions and the press. The Office of Defense holds four checks for interest payments on such conferences each year. The Farm Bureau Services stock or object is to acquaint people with debentures, and in some instances the progress being made in our stock or debenture certificates of military defenses under the Act FB Services are in the "undelivered which unified the army, navy and files" of the FBS Patrons Records air force under the Secretary of De- dep't at Lansing for lack of a profense, and to discuss the problems per mailing address. These letters have been mailed to

The conference started at the the last known address. They have Pentagon building at Washington. been returned by the postal service, The group was transported by mili. with such information to us: "Retary planes to Eglin Air Base in moved, and left no address, Auth-Florida where developments in U.S. orized time for forwarding has exair power were shown. At Fort pired, Unknown, No such person at Benning, Georgia, the 1949 army the address shown, Unclaimed."

and its weapons were demonstrat. We are publishing here a list of ed. At Norfolk naval base the such FB Services patrons' letters group went to sea on a carrier to that have been returned. Those see the navy air force at work. persons, and others who may have Michigan farmers, said Mr. Bro- FB Services checks or securities dy, are concerned with national de- due, AND HAVE NOT RECEIVED THEM, should write to Patrons First, the expenditure of 13 to 15 Records Dep't, Farm Bureau Servbillion dollars a year for national ices, Inc., PO Box 960, Lansing,

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As long as our government is administered for the good of the people, and is regulated by their will; as long as it secures to us the rights of persons and of property, liberty of conscience and of the press, it will be worth defending.

I don't believe any group of government managers, however able, can manage the business of 130,-000,000 Americans successfully .--- R. C. Leffingwell

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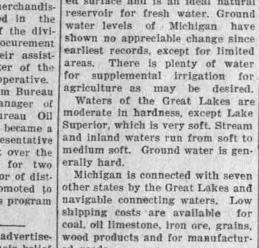
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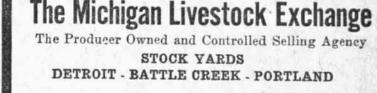
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Awards for **Counties That** Lead Roll Call

Some very interesting awards are to be given for top achievements in the One, Big, Week Roll Call: There will be first, second and third awards given for the counties that report the highest percentage of their goal reached by midnight December 6. The county with the highest percentage of its goal by midnight December 6 will receive a very nice cow bell, chrome plated.

It will become their property if they succeed in winning it three years in succession. The possession of the second and third prizes will also follow the above rules. Other awards of a very substantial nature will be given for the following achievements: first, second, and third awards will be given the county obtaining the largest membership by midnight December 9. First, second, and third awards will be given for the coun-Russell Emmons, Byron Center England Hardware Co., Mt. Clemens John F. Englehardt, Bay City E. J. Freese, Durand Harvey Fuller, Bancroft Alfred Fiddler, Smiths Creek John Fortuna, Emmett Emmett Foundry Emmett George Frye, Smiths Creek Fulton Heights Market, Grand Rap-ds ties with the largest percentage of their goal. First, second, and third awards will be given for the counties securing the greatest numerical increase in new members by midnight December 9. The awards will be announced later. It is important that plans be made for reporting to the Michigan Farm Bureau at Lansing the evenings of December 6, 7, 8, and Several people will be in the Lansing office to receive and tabulate the reports It is important that there be good co-ordination in

Bert Hall, Mayfield Wayne Hansen, Buckley D. R. Harring George Henschell Guy Hamilton, Leslie Ralph Harvey, Portage Frank Hanley, Niles Sam Hoffman, South Bend, Indiana Ralph Hudson, Hartford Ralph Huston, Three Oaks Louis Hack, Midland





At this time of year laying flocks are one way of making profits for poultry raisers. If this is your method, check these factors:

EGGS AND MORE

EGGS ... COME FROM

BALANCED FEED

Do your hens get 13 hours of light per day, daylight and arti-1. ficial if necessary? What is the total feed intake per 100 hens each day? Check 2. table in last month's Farm News-follow it. Do you make sure that where 18% Mermash is fed, 60% of 3. total intake per day is mash or mash pellets and 40% is in the form of grain ? Where 20% Mermash is fed, make both mash and seratch 50% of total intake. THESE ARE IMPORTANT-TOO! Give leghorns 31/2 to 4 sq. ft. per bird; heavy breeds 41/2 to 5 1. sq. ft.

21/2 inches feed hopper space per bird for light breeds; 31/2 2. inches per bird for heavy breeds.

7 inches roosting space per bird for light breeds; 12 inches per bird for heavy breeds.

Check for drafty quarters, poor ventilation, parasites, too few nests, disease and lack of water fountain space.

Don't worry about the difference in prices of mashes. Worry about how good the mashes are. It only takes 21/2 more eggs per hen per year to pay \$4.00 per ton greater cost on a better feed like Mermash 18% or 20% as compared to cheaper, lower quality mashes. You can't afford to sacrifice quality for price.

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St. Clair Co. FB

St. Clair County Farm Bureau nembers, at their annual meeting, passed these three resolutions concerning roads: Increase gasoline tax 2c per gallon for road maintenance: no property tax for highway purposes; and that county road commissions give more consideration to roadside ditches for

The state legislature was also sufficient funds to expand the ve College, and to remove present ceiling on taxes which corporations are required to pay.

Some Government Aids Come High

"Handouts from the federal ever, there is no great reduction in government often cost the people price of fertilizers in sight. Much \$4 for every \$1 received. Our preof the cost of present mixed fertil- sent federal debt of \$253,000,000,000 represents an indebtedness of showing of the frieght rate altime \$1,750 for every man, woman and child in the United States." State ed 57% above rates in effect on Senator Edwin Klump told representatives of Farm Bureau women

Through the use of high analysis of the Thumb district at their an

fertilizers, which provide more plant food per ton, farmers are able to save on the shipping cost per

farming risk but a new Michigan courage market hogs to eat more State College bulletin tells of ways grain and protein concentrates and get to market more quickly. It is thought to be the first attempt in

the United States to speed up hog

Plant Has a Record Year Farm Bureau Services fertilizer plant at Saginaw set a record of farm drainage.

FBS Fertilizer

First, Hill says, it is necessary fertilizer production for the 1949 that the farm business be large year with 43,000 tons of superphos- asked by the group to appropriate enough to provide adequate jobs for phate and mixed fertilizers. This two men. Then a conference be- volume, broken down into seasonal terinary school at Michigan State tween father and son will start to use, reppresented 25,000 tons mixed lay the groundwork for a successful fertilizers for spring consumption partnership. Michigan State college special

plenty of nitrogen to be had. Potash is somewhat plentiful. How-

Juniors in Indiana Entertain Berrien

Berrien County Junior Farm Bureau reports that 17 of them atly below the average of the past

South Bend, Oct. 18. Square dancing Average yield was .85 bushels was the entertainment feature of per acre. Increased acreage ac- the evening. The groups issue standing invitations to attend each tertain with a Thanksgiving Day dance. Other Junior groups in southern Michigan and Northern

vield of 1.1 bushels per acre was almost as much as last year. The U. S. red clover seed crop s 25% under last year and Of Rough Land 18 below average. Drop in production was due entirely to de-Rough land in southern Michi-

gan has long been considered a Talking is one of the fine arts many opertors have solved their

farming problems.

FARM BUREAU'S JOB IS TO KEEP US OFF THE OLD ROAD PARTNERSHIPS **BENEFIT FARM**

Father and son partnerships ar receiving a good deal of attention from rural people these days. According to E. B. Hill, head of the farm management department at Michigan State college, they offer a number of advantages to both par

nerships" can be obtained from county agricultural agents or the Bulletin Office, Department of Public Relations, Michigan State col-

lege, East Lansing.

tended a husiness and social meeting of the St. Joseph county, Indiana, Rural Youth Club near

counted for the bigger crop. The U. S. alfalfa seed. crop is the larg- other's meetings. Berrien will en

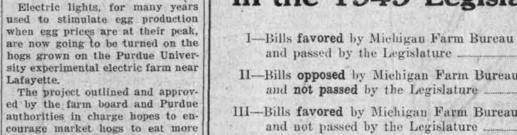
Michigan's crop of red clover Indiana and Ohio are planning joint meetings for the future.



unit of plant food. **Electric Lights**

Aid Hog Production Electric lights, for many years used to stimulate egg production when egg prices are at their peak,

are now going to be turned on the hogs grown on the Purdue University experimental electric farm near Lafayette.



IV-Bills opposed by Michigan Farm Bureau and passed by the Legislature

and 13,000 tons of mixed fertilizers for the fall season. 5,000 tons of superphosphate were shipped dur bulletin 330, "Father and Son Parting the year, also. Future supplies look good with

izers is in freight rates. The latest ter indicates that rates have climb-

Miss Barbara Foster of the June 30, 1946.

DANGER! 191

Your Farm Bureau is a worthy organization with constructive aims and purposes, and a history of sound accomplishments. Know it. Sell it with enthusiasm. Believe It or Not, the first Farm Bureau did not begin as a farmer-sponsored organization. The Lackawanna railroad, and the Chamber of Commerce at Binghamton, New York, were seeking ways to promote better trade state aid for education so that rural relations with the farmers of that area. They hired a

man to help in this promotion through the county. Through the promotional work done by this agent there began a wide exchange of constructive ideas among the farmers of the county and the organization of a group. The U. S. Department of Agriculture took an interest farm production supplies, and many in this development through the county agricultural development through the county agricultural development to farming people.

agent. The activity became known as the Farm Bureau of the Chamber of Commerce, and later as the "Farm ahead in the trend toward increased

ishment of the 15 mill limitation Farm Bureaus Spread. The success of this early without a ceiling on property taxes might put us back into the poventure promoted a spread of Farm Bureau groups into sition of the 1930's. Agitations are many counties all over the United States. In 1915 there afoot to restore the property tax basis of support for local roads. were about a thousand county agents working in the and to put the sales tax back on all nation. Some of the Farm Bureaus were purely farmer farm production supplies. The im pending state deficit is a threat supported groups with no state connections. Others on the taxation front, and the farmer must be alert and strong to protect his interests. Urban areas seek to abolish townships so that there will be stronger urban con trol of the state government.

A Farmers' Force to face the fifties. The American Farm Bureau Federation, founded in 1919, has fought for our welfare. This organization has represented the inter ened the purposes of many of the county and state ests of over 1,325,000 farmers, for the last 29 years. The laws that

our national organization has af fected in the farmer's interest ar too numerous to mention here Most crucial tests lie ahead. Threats to farm security on the national front at present greatly overshadow those on the state political front Will our membership strength be sufficient unto the day when the real test comes? Or can we lose our rights of freedom, self-deter mination, and democratic action

at the polls in 1950? The Michigan Farm Bureau should be a forward looking organ ization. We can never develop constructive farm programs by looking backward. Remember what happened to Lot's wife! Greater

MICH. ALFALFA That Government of the people SEED CROP BELOW by the people, and for the people shall not perish from the earth. Legislation which the Farm Bu-**10 YEAR AVERAGE** reau has promoted with success during the past years in Michigan includes the gasoline tax for highway Michigan's 1949 production of construction which served to recleaned alfalfa seed is 42 per cent lieve the local property tax burden; above last year. That's still slight-

boys and girls could attend urban schools with the state equalizing the burdens of tuitions; the reduction of the license rates for farm trailers and trucks; the establishment of bi-partisan control of the State Department of Agriculture. securing sales tax exemption on other legislative measures of in-

We still have many things that need close watching. Dangers lie taxation on farm property. The abol-

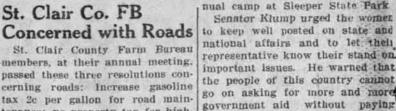
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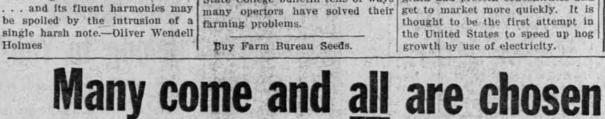
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FARM BUREAU In the 1949 Legislature

II-Bills opposed by Michigan Farm Bureau III-Bills favored by Michigan Farm Bureau





Now, by road and rail, the meat animals roll to market. To Omaha, Kansas City, St. Louisto Ft. Worth, and Denver and Chicago-to hundreds of other markets. But no matter whether they come to local markets or larger central markets-no matter in how great numbersthere's a demand and a buyer for every single head.

In every livestock market, there is keen buying competition. Omaha, for example, has 14 meatpacking plants. They have buyers in the Omaha yards. They bid against one another. But do those packer-buyers "have it all their own way"? Not on your life! Last year buyers for meat packers in 250 other cities bought and reshipped almost 1/3 of Omaha's total livestock receipts. Still another 800,000 head were bought and shipped out again to farmers and feed lot operators in 27 states . . . You bet there's all kinds of competition-in Omaha and everywhere else.

In that intense buying competition across the

Know Your Farm

Bureau,--It's Yours!

Background Material for Discussion this Month by

Our Community Farm Bureau Discussion Groups

By DONALD D. KINSEY

Director of Research and Information

true of any organization that it can suffer more from the

misstatements and misunderstandings of its own mem-

And conversely, a membership accurately informed

and sold on its program can do that organization more

developed a central organization for the state. But they

all brought people together with whom the county

agents could work directly in planning projects and

demonstrations. These groups even paid part of the

expenses and sometimes the salaries of the county agents.

Success in gaining legislative aims on local fronts broad-

Michigan Farm Bureau Organizes. | attitudes and thoughts of its con-

On February 4, 1919, fifty-seven stituent members on the farm.

independent county Farm Bureaus Without the Community Group

tee charged with financing and development of potential leadership

general aim was to provide ways the promotion and protection of the

to take an interest in the co-oper- interests and intentions. Our Com-

local problems.

neighborhood.

Planning Committees.

Bureau seeks not only to provide a

broader and more interesting social

the local members would be handi-

capped in working together for

local improvements and solving

It is also a part of the philosophy

of the state organization that the

among rural people is essential to

interests of farmers in our com

petitive society. Many groups are

challenging the farmer's status,

munity groups seek to bring strong

leadership to the fore to aid us in

The Community Group, when it

functions properly, should be a

real educational institution in the

The Women. A state department

of Women's Activities coordinates

bers than from all the taunts of its enemies.

good than any formal advertising.

Bureau of Broome County."

Why Know Your Farm Bureau? It is without doubt

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1949

plies, improvements in the quality of farm products, to take an active interest in farm legislation. this philosophy that citizens in our and to represent farm interests of the events and trends in the generally in public matters.

in Michigan met at Michigan Ag-

ricultural College. Forty-two coun-

ty Farm Bureaus agreed upon a

state organization, ratified their

constitution and by-laws, elected

officers and an executive commit-

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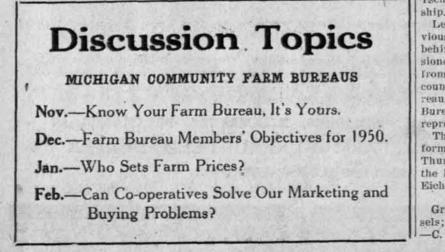
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How is Policy Made? The making of policy and control of the Michigan Farm Bureau comes from the farmer-member and not from the state officers and staff members. Members of the County Farm Bureaus at their annual meetings elect voting delegates to the Michigan Farm Bureau Annual The accomplishments of our wo-Meeting on the basis of one delegate for each 100 members for in rural health and educational imwhom the dues are paid. Delegates provement are worthy of the highmeeting in district cancuses elect their representatives to the state Farm Bureau and Junior Farm Bureaus organizations are represented each by one director on the board. At the annual meeting all business of the state organization is considered and voted upon. Policles of the state organization are framed in the form of resolutions, and when these are ratified by the group, they are the policy and program for the Farm Bureau life for our farm youth, but also to officers and employees for the en-

suing year. action. There is a need for our The Community Group is the adult Community Groups to aid in gate in the line fence. The Michpromoting and developing adult igan Farm Bureau holds the policy interest in this Junior program throughout the state. The Junior that active participation of its members in local community groups is Farm Bureau Program is a commitessential to make the Farm Bureau tee activity of the County Farm a living organization. In 1949 there were 872 of these Community Bureau. The growth of leadership groups in Michigan. The Commun- among rural youth will lay the foundation for a stronger Farm ity Group is the Farm Bureau's means of carrying on and learning Bureau of the future. Each year a leadership training camp is conto live democratically in our democratic society. Without the Com- ducted for the young people at munity Group and its reports Waldenwoods. Many local projects and state projects are carried out through the minutes of its meetings, the state organization would by our Junior Groups with the aim be handicapped in knowing the of promoting educational programs



planning means of meeting these challenges and greater improvchallenges. It is also assumed in ments lie ahead-if we wish to take up these challenges. world today must be well informed

of the events and trends in the society of which we are a part. TOO HIGH PRICE SUPPORTS COULD WRECK PROGRAM

the women's program for the state. Delegates of the St. Clair Coun ty Farm Bureau, attending their men's group in promoting projects annual meeting the middle of October, heard Dr. Arthur Mauch, est recognition. Many of our Farm MSC agricultural economist, say, Bureau women have become mem-"The surest road to farm prosperiboard of directors. Women of the bers of local and state committees ty is through full employment in on rural health and education and industry, a good international for the betterment of rural-urban trade program, and a sound govrelationships. Many women have ernment tax and spending protaken leadership responsibilities as gram as well as a sound farm proofficers of our Community Groups. gram to prevent disastrous price County Committees, and State drops. These steps will provide a steady market for farm produce The Juniors-The Junior Farm at fair prices."

> He also pointed out that too high price supports will threaten the whole farm program by necessitatprovide constructive training in ing high taxes which may cause a leadership and positive group wave of public reaction against them

"High, rigid supports would also encourage the inefficient farmers to remain in this occupation. Guaranteed farm price supports will always go together with some form of 'regimentation' such as acreage allotments and marketing quotas," the speaker said.

Elk-Riverside Group

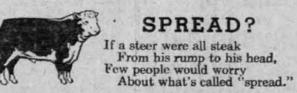
Eighteen members of the Elk River Farm Bureau took in the group's annual fish dinner at the Blue Water Inn, Caseville, Four new members, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Heckroth and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Tschumi, were admitted to member

Letters indorsing the group's previous action in calling for support behind Charles Figy as Commis sioner of Agriculture were read from Stanley Powell, legislative counsel of the Michigan Farm Bu reau, from the Huron County Farm Bureau, and from Kirk Haley, state representative in the legislature. The next meeting will be in the form of a Thanksgiving party Thursday evening, Nov. 17th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Eicher.

Great talkers are like leaky vessels; everything runs out of them. -C. Simmons

nation, Swift & Company plays its part. Your livestock is the "raw material" which we must constantly buy, to stay in business. One place or another, all meat packers bid against 18,000 other firms, large and small, which slaughter livestock commercially in the United States.

Making a market for your animals is one of the many links between livestock producers and meat packers. Your animals must be "manufactured" into meat-transported to the places where the meat-eating millions of people live-distributed to hundreds of thousands of retail stores where they can buy it ... In all of these activities, vital to your business, the people of Swift & Company play a hard-working part.



Spread is the difference Tween what's paid for a steer And meat price at retail. Some cuts are quite dear.

All meat cuts are sold At so much for each pound: But brisket brings in Much less than the round.

Stew beef and other cuts Must sell, without fail. And often bring less than The meat cost, wholesale.

In figuring "spread" And what each of us makes, Be sure to remember Your steers aren't all steaks!

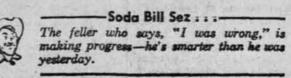
Quotes of the Month

"We take meat on the table for granted. But it requires a complex and highly efficient supply service to bring it to us."

Industrial News Review

"Livestock contributes to soil building and improved land use, better nutrition, less dependency on foreign outlets for a market for grain products, and serves as a cushion against food shortages."

Robert J. Eggert, Economist





In your business of producing livestock, it is necessary to work hard and be a good manager if you are to come out with money ahead on your operations. You plan the best pasture and feeding programs for the number of head you intend to carry. Operating costs are kept down by full utilization of labor and the proper use and care of machinery and equipment.

We have similar problems at Swift-keeping operating costs down in processing plants and sales units. Not only must we be efficient in the processing and distributing of our products. We must also turn every waste product into something of value-"use everything but the squeal." Swift research scientists develop new products, find new uses for others. Our home economists experiment with all meat products. They pass information to home makers which aids in cooking methods. Swift sales people use effective merchandising campaigns to stimulate demand for meat products ... and to assist retail meat dealers in selling more meat.

In order best to serve producers of livestock. and consumers of meat, we must be efficient. Our system of refrigeration and marketing makes it possible to transport meat at low cost to areas of the United States which cannot produce their own supply. It is the same marketing system that gives you the benefit of a nationwide market ... and thus helps increase the value of your livestock:

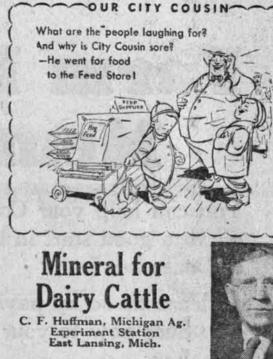
Sones Vice President Swift & Company

Martha Logan's Recipe for OLD-FASHIONED TURKEY STUFFING

(Yield: 5 cups)

2 cups chopped onion	1 ½ tsp. salt
1/2 cups diced celery	½ tsp. pepper
1/2 cup butter or margarine	½ tsp. poultry seasoning
2 slices white bread 4 tsp. nutmeg	1 egg

Fry onion and celery in butter or margarine until tender. Toast bread mtil dry and golden brown in a slow oven (325° F.). Soak bread In cold water until soft. Remove bread from water and squeezr until dry. Tear into small pieces and put into bowl. Add onion, celery, and butter. Sprinkle with seasonings which have been mixed together. Combine. Add slightly beaten egg and toss together with forks. This makes a moist and fluffy dressing. Shuff bird just before roasting.



For growth, reproduction and

milk production, dairy cattle require a dozen mineral elements. But the need for mineral supplements, however, depends on the character of the feed (forage or concentrate), the nature of the soil, weather conditions during the growing season. Roughages, grains and grain by-products are all usually low in the elements found in common salt, so it's best to mix 1% salt with the grain, and also allow free access to salt

Dairy cattle seldom need a supplement supplying calcium, since as a general rule roughages are rich in this element. On the other hand, roughages are frequently low in phosphorus. Cattle suffering from a mild phosphorus deficiency may show an abnormal craving for things such as wood and bones. But in marked phosphorus deficiency, the only abnormal symptom is a reduced feed intake. No phosphorus supplement is needed when milking cows are fed liberal amounts of commercial dairy feeds; or when the grain mixture contains at least one-fifth mill feed by-products, or protein concentrates. When legume roughage furnishes the principal source of protein, allow free access to a mixture of equal parts of odorless steamed bone meal and salt.

Three trace mineral elements-iodine, cobalt, and copper-are needed as supplements in certain regions of the United States. Consult your State Agricultural Experiment Station for trace mineral element commendations

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