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EDITORIAL

Three Party System For U. S.?

Will organized labor in the U.S. form its own political party?

The thinking of many in the know say that all signs and indications point in that direction, and that they feel it is only a matter of time before it becomes a reality.

They feel that the successful operations, politically and otherwise, of the British labor party has created considerable interest among the leaders of American labor organizations. Through constant association with their British counter-part, these labor officials have been challenged and intrigued by the power and glory of the British government.

A recent item published in the Ohio State Labor News contains a rather interesting revelation as to the future plans of Phil Murray's program for political action in the United States. Here is the way the paper puts it:

"Phil Murray's recent call on all segments of organized labor to join together for political efforts is merely a thinly veiled request for the formation of an American Labor Party.

"Not getting the results they expected from the labor union's alliance with the Democratic Party, Phil Murray and other labor leaders feel they can have more effect on congressional legislative activities by electing their own candidates to public office.

"A political alliance with the ADA (Americans for Democratic Action) would give organized labor enough political strength to be a strong political ball of power that could switch its strength to either one of the older parties."

Income Taxes and Savings

The Institute of Life Insurance reports that in 1949 for the fourth straight year the people paid out considerably more money in federal income taxes than they put into personal savings.

Figures compiled by the Commerce and Treasury departments show that for every dollar paid in federal income taxes in 1949, the people were able to save only 65 cents. In that year personal federal income taxes were about \$18 billion while personal savings were about \$12 billion.

How Much Should One Pay?

"It's unwise to pay too much, but it's unwise to pay too little," said a buyer who has thought about

"When you pay too much, you lose a little money; that's all. When you pay too little, you sometimes lose everything, because the thing you bought is incapable of doing the thing you bought

"The common law of business prohibits paying a little and getting a lot-it can't be done. If you deal with the lowest bidder, it's well to add something for the risk you run. And if you do that, you will have enough left to pay for something

Essentials For Co-op Growth

American farmers attack marketing and purchasing problems by working together through cooperatives. Investment is the seed from which any service organization grows.

Farmers have set up and directed co-operatives to procure many kinds of service and supplies. The facilities and hired hands necessary to carry on such tasks do not materialize out of thin air. They must be bought and paid for by the folks who expect to benefit from such goods and services.

Patronage of the co-operative is the fertilizer that nurtures the seed of investment. Farmers have plenty of hard cash in their land, buildings, machinery and livestock. They should also have an appropriate amount in their co-operatives which mean stability and security for them.

Working together, investing in and patronizing the off-the-farm tools known as co-operatives, are sure ways to keep and maintain farm prosperity.

20 CO. FB's ARE TESTING SOILS

Twenty County Farm Bureaus in Michigan have set up soil testing laboratories to serve farmers, or have joined with other groups in the county in financing such operations. The work is done in close co-operation with the agricultural

Plant Right Varieties Michigan State College exten-

sion specialists say you should plant varieties that are adapted to freezing, harvest at the right time. and freeze according to directions.

Watch Bargain Seeds

Use caution in buying bargain seeds, warn farm crops specialists at Michigan State College. They may not be adapted for your locality and might yield poorly.

German Women Visiting Rural Michigan Clinton Field



Mrs. Marie Heuchting (left), Bremen, Miss Leisetotte Handt (right), Bez Kassel, German representatives of the Associated Country Women of the World, talk with Mrs. Harry Whittaker, chairman of the Women of the Michigan Farm Bureau. The German farm women are visiting 40 rural communities May 29-June 16 as guests of Farm Bureau women of this state. They are here to get an understanding of American agriculture and rural people from their observations in Michigan, Indiana, Illinois and South Carolina. Two others are making similar visits in other states. See story in this edition.

Visitors Are Here to Learn About Farm Life in U.S.

Farm women of Germany are to become better acquainted with farm life in the United States and the Brody Thanks activities of American farm women.

Under the auspices of the Associated Country Women of the World four German farm women are visiting with Legislature for American members of the organization in Michigan and other states.

Mrs. Marie Heuchting of Bremen, president of a federation of eleven farm women's organizations in north chairman of the House ways and pounding, and ball tossing cor Germany, and Miss Leisetotte Handt of Bez Kassel, gave to the newspapers May 25 a representative of similar groups in Hesse, are in Mich-letter from C. L. Brody, chairman from home; for having the oldest of the State Board of Agriculture, tractor in the contest; to the igan for three weeks ending June 16. They will visit regarding the appropriation made largest farm family present; and 40 rural areas as guests of the Women of the Michigan Farm Bureau. Two farm women from southern Germany are now in lowa and will tour western states. All are preciation of the State Board of cess of the event goes to Miss Leto return to Germany in mid-July.

Mrs. Heuchting and Miss Handt are to see some of the appropriations for Michigan State varied pattern of American farming. Mrs. Heuchting's College. family operates a 240 acre farm, specializing in registered mendable because of the difficult Holstein cattle. Miss Handt's family operates 500 acres situation confronting the State due where the interest is Holstein cattle, Belgian horses and the increasing cost of government poultry.

The visitors want to know about the American way of farm life. They are looking too for farming ideas and facilities. This will permit the State community activity ideas to take back to Germany. They are to be guests in farm homes throughout their tal building and equipment, not to

Who Sets Farm Prices? was the

opic for January. 562 groups re-

ported conclusions to the state of-

fice. The majority opinion said the

law of supply and demand is not

operating freely today. It is affect-

ed by government purchases, agr'

surpluses and controls of acreage

and the degree to which industry

curbs production to hold prices up.

Most groups thought that the

curbss on supply and demand put

government farm price support pro-

Sentiment was strong for keeping

he law of supply and demand

working freely. Government or

other monopolies should not have

Bureau members in community

peratives in marketing farm pro-

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he power to fix prices.

German women's farm organiza-+ tions, they said, are members of the Associated Country Women of the World, which now includes This is What 5,000,000 farm women in 53 nations Nearly two million of this number are women in the Farm Bureau and other farm groups in the United

Groups Say The U. S. Dep't of State has movie team making pictures of American farms, schools, rural groups and other parts of the tour. Sound descriptions will be added in Germany. Mrs. Heuchting and Miss are always interested in the state Handt are to give talks to farm summary of their discussions. This groups throughout northern Ger- is what they said in January and

While Mrs. Heuchting and Miss Handt belong to the group whose ownership of land is large, they bserve that their acreages are common place in our corn belt. They are adjusting themselves to what they consider the large acreage for most American farms, and the fact that practically all farmers in this country live on the farm. In Germany most farmers live in villages and go out to their farm to work, some-

times a mile or more. The women marvel at American farm machinery, but say that some of it is not practical for their agri- mand disadvantage for him. Neithculture. German farms are small and man power is plentiful. That rules out mechanized equipment considered essential on American

Mrs. Heuchting said that the grain combine is not suited to Germany because of the damp climate. Wheat and other grains are cut and shocked. They go into the barn and may not be threshed until winter. Germany imports corn. The cool climate doesn't encourage production of corn. Small grains produce more per acre than in the United States, Land is at such a premium that intensive farming duction and buying farm supplies. March 25. and heavy applications of fertilizer

Aid to College

Joseph W. Warner of Ypsilanti, special session, Mr. Brody said: "Dear Mr. Warner:
"I am writing to express the ap-

riculture for the interested and means has shown in regard to the

"Your action is all the more comto the diversion amendment and

"We are particularly encouraged over the appopriation of \$1,400,000 for veterinary and bacteriological Board of Agriculture to let a contract for the construction of the toexceed \$2,400,000 as specified in

"Adequate facilities are of the greatest importance to enable MSC tion of Michigan's extensive live stock resources. This is of equal production for the plant. importance to all our citizns because their health is seriously con-

"I am sure that the very helpful interest shown by the members of over 13 miles of track." the committee and yourself as chairman will be greatly appreciated by the farmers and other

citizens of the State. "In the future, as in the past, we shall be glad to co-operate in every the spring season. The rated caway possible in giving the members of your committee and the iod is 30,000 tons. The production legislature as a whole any information desired about the operations of the College

> Sincerely yours, C. L. BRODY, Chairman, State. Board of Agri-

the farmer at a disadvantage. Oth-MIDWEST SCHOOL er groups have monopolistic controls that create a price and deer can the law of supply and demand operate freely in the face of

The annual Farm Bureau membership leaders' training school for 12 midwestern states will be held ficient job of producing food. The June 18-21 at Sturgeon Bay, Wis- Farm Bureau plant at Saginaw consin. For many years a hundred or more people from Michigan the country that did not cut the County Farm Bureaus and people analysis during the shortage of Farmers' Business Co-operatives was the topic for February. Farm Michigan Farm Bureau have attended these meetings. The training groups are favorably impressed school committee will meet March with the services given and the suc- 25 to work on the program. Incess achieved by their farmers co- formation regarding reservations, etc., will be available soon after

The co-operative, they said is

Day Attracts **Record Crowd**

second annual Clinton county's tractor field day, Saturday, May 27, at the Davis Bros. farm south east on the Center Line road.

The event was sponsored by the Clinton Community and Junior Farm Bureaus, Clinton county merchants' and implement deal ers co-operated with prizes and ex hibits. Much publicity was given it by the Clinton County Republican News at St. Johns.

Nearly 3,000 people were on at 10 m. the plowing contests started. There were 17 contestants in the twobottom plow match and 11 entries three-bottom contest. Both matches were limited to Clinton county farmers.

For the second consecutive year Cecil LaBar of St. Johns, R-5 drove a Co-op E-3 tractor to first place in the two-bottom contest. Joy Tait of St. Johns, R-2 came in third with his Co-op E-3 and Robert Trombly of St. Johns, R-5 placed sixth with his Co-op E-3. The contests were scored on a point basis with a possible score points per judge or 66 Charlotte; Louie Webb, Ionia; Robert Dancer, Ionia; Rex Hafer, Carson City; Harold Wilcox, Flint; and Louis Pung, Port land were the judges.

Luncheon was served cafeteria style by Clinton County Farm Bureau women and the Junior Farm Bureau. E. C. Norris of St. Johns was awarded \$25 cash prize for having the oldest Black Hawk Corn Planter still in operation. He bought the planter, which was built in 1898, forty years ago for \$10. It has planted corn every year, including 12 acres this sea-

The afternoon program consist ed of tractor pulling contest; wagon backing contest for men and one for boys under 15 years of means committee of the legislature, tests for the women. Prizes also for Michigan State College at the gate prizes. The prizes were donated by the merchants of Clinton

na Algoe, Clinton County Farm co-operative consideration the Bureau organization director, and committee members. Mrs. Wilbur Thurston, Mrs. William M. Smith, and Mrs. John Jackson headed the

Fertilizer Plant **Sets Record** For Production

in getting ingredient materials, Farm Bureau Services plant at Saginaw produced between 39,000 to provide the type of training and the spring season, according to research necessary for the protec- Fred Harger in charge of fertilizer

"This may not seem like cars and all of the cars placed in Bureau insurance company. one train, that train would extend

To meet the ever increasing demand for higher analysis, Farm ance company directors in April. Bureau's fertilizer plant produced It is being presented to county 33,000 tons of mixed goods that Farm Bureau boards. Five boards averaged 34 units of plant food for have adopted the agreement. In pacity for the plant for the per- ance offices address is: this season amounted to 10% above Inc., branch building, 221 North

Foremost in the minds of the plant management group has been the emphasis of service to the farmer-owner rather than the showing of margins for plant opera- Hillsdale. tions. Despite the long, drawn out potash strike the Farm Bureau plant's production this spring averaged 13.2 units of potash. This meant that high prices were paid for scarce potash materials in order to give the farmer the type of fertilizer he needed to do an efwas undoubtedly the only one in the materials that they needed but

faced by the plant is the seasonal

early were taken care of.

Legislature's Job Suits Farmers

Cuts State Appropriations by \$14 Millions; Funds are Voted to Start Building Veterinary Facilities at MSC

By STANLEY M. POWELL

The special session of the Michigan legislature recessed from May 20 until June 20. This is for the final printing of the measures passed and for consideration of these bills by the Governor. Whether the Legislature will decide to definitely adjourn the session when they return to Lansing or whether they will take another recess remains to be seen.

At this stage of developments, a comparison of what the Farm Bureau annual meeting recommended last November with what actually happened is of interest. During a special session the legislature is limited to consideration of matters submitted to them by the Governor. Hence the legislative grist was definitely restricted and there was no opportunity for the lawmakers to take up many of the matters on which the Farm Bureau had gone on record last November.

Appropriations. The first resolution which the Farm Bureau delegates adoted relating to state affairs demandfor six judges. Martin ed economy in state government. This point of view was kept in mind by the legislature in making its appropriations for the 1950-51 fiscal year. General fund appropriations which they approved totaled \$13,980,199 less than the grants for similar purposes for the current fiscal year. They were \$71,571,397 less than Governor Williams had recommended.

> The legislators are being severely criticized in certain quarters because of their efforts to promote economy in state government. Even so, appropriations for next year are the highest in the history of Michigan except for the current fiscal year, 1949-50.

The appropriating committees of the Senate and House worked for months, holding hearings and investigating the financial needs of various state departments, institutions and aid programs. They took into consideration the unexpended balances which many branches of the government are turning back into the state treasury. Members of the legislature realize that if constantly larger appropriations are to be made at each session, taxes and public debt will inevitably grow worse and worse. Many thoughtful citizens will commend the attitude shown by their state lawmakers with reference In Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, and South Carolina, House committee on ways and George Bowlby with his eight to the budget problems which were considered during the Special Session.

> throughout the year. To spread the 1949 annual meeting had proout the demands it is up to each tested the lumping together in one farmer patron to support his or- sum the State's grants for the opganization by taking delivery as far as possible in advance of the lege and for financing its extenime that he will need them.

Insurance Co. **Starts County**

Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company of Michigan is beginning to establish ounty branch offices in co-operation with County Farm so Bureaus. Thus the County Farm much," Mr. Harger said, "but think Bureau office may provide a place of it in this way. If this 39,000 for policyholders to do business cerned with the quality of the live tons were loaded in railroad freight with the county staff of the Farm

> The arrangement is being worked out through a County Service Agreement approved by the insur

Barry-At Farm Bureau Services Church street, Hastings.

Berrien - J. Burton Richards nome, Benton Center. Berrien has plans for a CoFB building at the county fair grounds.

Hillsdale-401/2 East Bacon St

lonia-323 West Main street. Saginaw-Farm Bureau Services building, 800 South Washington street, Saginaw.

The Farm Bureau Mutual Inoutgrown its first office at 107 East | niently located facilities for activifrom the membership staff of the potash. Not all farmers got all Washtenaw street, Lansing, and has ties of the Department of Agriculmoved to the second floor at 424 ture including seed testing, chemithose who placed their orders North Grand Avenue, Lansing. This cal analysis of foods, dairy prois the space occupied by the State ducts, feeds and fertilizers, testing The greatest problem now being Farm Mutual before it moved its for Bang's disease and mastitis state office to Marshall. The Farm and administration of the 1949 act nature of the demand for fertiliz- Bureau company now has 15,500 car ers. In a fertilizer plant it is much and truck policies issued to Farm of fungicides, insecticides and more desirable and economical to Bureau members and continues a other economic poisons Buy Farm Bureau quality feeds. I have a uniform rate of production steady rate of growth.

The Farm Bureau delegates at eration of the Michigan State Colsion service, experiment station and Hope-Flannagan Research. In the appropriation bill for next year, these amounts were separately itemized in the form recommended in the Farm Bureau's program.

Veterinary Facilities. An adequate appropriation for erecting and equipping suitable veterinary urged by the Farm Bureau delegates. Despite the general economy drive which characterized the recent legislative session, a grant of \$1,400,000 was made to be expended in construction of veterinary and public health facilities at M. S. C. This is to be regarded as a down payment on the cost of constructing and equipping class rooms, laboratories and clinical and hospital facilities to cost in all \$2,400,000. Thus there will be a balance of \$1,000,000 to be provided by the 1951 Legislature.

Dept. of Agr. Lab. The appalling inadequacies of the present laboratory facilities of the Michigan Department of Agriculture were stressed by the Farm Bureau delegates and it was recommended that a suitable chemical and control laboratory be erected for the Michigan Department of Agriculture on the M. S. C. campus. Attention was called to the fact that there has been accumulated a substantial amount of money from registration fees for feeds and fertilizers. Under existing laws this money went into a restricted fund and was earmarked for research.

The Farm Bureau had favored legislation to permit its use for construction and equipment of a Department of Agriculture laboraduring the special session. This surance Company of Michigan has will provide efficient and converequiring registration and testing

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Community ers. The new office includes a Mrs. A. A. Diehlman. Farm Bureau Board Room for their County Directors plus facilities for the secretary and County Organization Di-Activities Money for this project Hickson. was raised by the 21 groups

By MRS. MARJORIE GARDNER

STAR AWARDS

Gold Star - Homer Township, Midland County, Mrs. Philip Stark, Secretary, Silver Star - Lenox Center,

Macomb County, Mrs. Julius Abraham Silver Star - Plainfield, Livingston County, Mrs. Andrew

Henry. CONGRATULATIONS!

Dear Community Farm Bureau Members: We certainly have had an un-

usual spring but I don't suppose Farm Bureau activity. COMMUNITY GROUPS

to date we show a gain of 101 new ceptional job of assuming the month of April:

Martin.

District 4: Kent-Byron Town- but because they are held back by ship, Mrs. Ralph Young; Ottawa- the quality of their group organiza-Tuttle, Gerrit Brouwer. District 5: Clinton-Westphalia, follows:

Mrs. Trierweiler: Shiawassee -Burns, Mrs. Zyephia Pearson. Walter A. Schriner.

District 8: Isabella-Southwest Center, Mrs. Harrey Kimball.

PROGRESS MADE ON COUNTY GOALS

the County Farm Bureaus who had ton, Mrs. Leo Barry. basis. During April five more counties added enough more groups K. Sweet. to make their quota. These were: VanBuren, Washtenaw, Ottawa and Bannatyne; Crump Settlement. Shiawasses and Monroe which now Mrs. Margaret Koviak. makes a total of 22 County Farm Bureaus out of the 63 organized Harvard Emmons; East Bengal, Farm Bureau Counties who have Mrs. Lucille Book; South Center made and surpassed, in some cases, Essex, Mrs. Alvin Moss; South their Community Farm Bureau Watertown, Mrs. Margaret Garquota.

The standings to date are as follows:

District 1: Berrien-Kalamazoo-Allegan-Ionia-Ottawa: District 5, Clinton-Genesee-Shiawassee: District 6, Tuscola; District 7, Mecosta-Montealm; District 1. Isabella-Midland: District 10, Montmorency- Gifford. Ogemaw.

HERE AND THERE

As a result of the contest being run in Clinton County two groups reported one hundred per cent attendance by Farm Bureau families at their April meetings. These were the Victor No. 1 and Westphalia groups. Incidentally, the Westphalia Community Farm Bureau is a new group and April was only its second meeting.

Huron-Bingham. Secretary Mrs. William Logan reported that the Bingham Community Farm Bureau Dancer. had set up a fund for R. D. Pierce, one of their neighbors who lost

both hands in an industrial acci- Potter. dent. To date they have raised \$1,036 for this cause. We feel this Thornberry; Clinton, Mrs. C. G. is to be a worthy and unusual ac- Heimerdinger; Mulberry, Mrs complishment. Saginaw-Marion. Report by Mrs. Anna Pepera, secretary, indicated

this group to the March of Dimes.

feldt, secretary, stated in the min-

utes of the April meeting that by

unanimous action the Bellevue

sponsor the Saturday night dances

at their school for one month in

co-operation with the other civic

organizations which were also

carrying on this responsibility for

From the Nerthwest Michigan Farm Bureau News. "Through

the effects of the 31 Community

Farm Bureau groups in Northwest

Michigan the County Farm Bureau

other menths of the year.

Eaton-Settevue, Mrs. Hazel Mortz-

that a box social held by their group natted \$34.20. Half of this Helen Sloan. money was donated by action of

Macomb-Davis, Mrs. Madeline Douglas; Meade, Mrs. Lewis Kitley. Mecosta-Big Rapids No. 1, Mrs Margaret Fitzgerald; Grant Center, Mrs. John DeMunnik; Hinton, Mrs. Community Farm Bureau voted to Alford Ackley.

ley Wasson.

Mrs. Alice Hoxie; Maple Leaf, Mrs.

Oakland - Lynn, Mrs. Donald Hines; Rose Rustlers, Mrs. Hubert of gathering all the tools together

raise funds." St. Joseph Farm Bureau Post. April Issue. "Intelligent understanding is as essential to our study of human relationship as it Wanty. is to our comprehension of Latin or Science. One must learn not Godwin only the meaning of democracy-

but also its application to practice. From the Branch County Farm Bureau Booster. "People of a community can have what they want if they want it bad enough to go after it.

PROSPECTIVE 100 PER CENTERS Our Community Farm Bureau Program is about three-fourths anyone realizes that more than you along the way when you take into do Roads were still mudded over consideration that we start our in April slowing down Community activity in September. There are only 66 Community Farm Bureau Secretaries out of our total of NUMBER 973 978 who are, according to our records, eligible for One Hundred AFBF Supports ditions we continued to make Per Cent awards. To these 66 we progress toward our goal of 1,000 are giving all due credit. They groups. With 973 groups recorded have done an outstanding and ex-

groups over last year and approxi- responsibility of their office. Howmately 27 more new groups to ever, it is most important to reorganize in order to meet that member that a secretary, no matthousand mark. The following are ter how competent she may be the new groups added during the can only report the type of meeting that the community group District 3: Livingston-Hartland holds. This, in effect, means that topics of discussion at the confer-Heights, Jay Montgomery, Sec'y; the group she belongs to is a ence of the International Federa-Tyronne Deerfield, William Hogan; superior group making it possible Macomb-Shelby Sterling, Roman- for her to become among those us N. Baumgartner; Monroe Mil- listed. In all fairness it must be an London, Mrs. Thurlow Heath; said that there are many secreno name submitted, Mrs. Charles taries missing from this list, not through their own lack of ability,

tion and discussion. The 66 are as Alcona-Curtisville, Mrs. William Byler; Klondyke, Mrs. Roberta District 6: St. Clair-China, A. Reames, Mt. Joy, Mrs. Essiemay

Kilpatrick. Alpena-Bolton, Mrs. Roland Ohl-Fremont, Marie Tint; Broomfield rich; Long Rapids, Mrs. Norma MacConnell

> Barry-North Thornapple, Mrs. Ida Skinner; Northeast Dowling,

Last month we printed a list of Mrs. Donald Proefrock; South Carlreached the county goal set for Calhoun-Convis, Mrs. Clarence them in order to make 1,000 com- Palmeter; Eckford, Mr. Elmer Is-

munity groups on a state-wide mond; Marengo, Mrs. J. C. Moore. Charlevoix-McGeagh Creek, Mrs.

Cheboygan-Aloha, Mrs. Truman

Clinton-Eagle Westphalia, Mrs. lock; S. W. DeWitt, Mrs. Ernest Carter.

Eaton-Bellevue No. 1, Mrs. Oscar Mortzfeldt; Center Eaton, Mrs. Van Buren; District 2, Jackson-Len- Howard Thompson; North Eaton. awee; District 3, Monroe-Living. Mrs. Alice Bair; South Oneida, Mrs. ston-Washtenaw-Wayne; District 4, Erma Dankenbring; Southeast Brookfield, Mrs. Albert Nelson; West Oneida, Mrs. Beatrice Sharp.

> Hillsdale-Allen Twp., Mrs. Marion Clark.

Huron-Bingham, Mrs. William Logan; Elm Creek, Mrs. Lucas Priemer; Forest Bay, Mrs. Harold 9 points below the peak of Septem-Hein; Harbor, Mrs. William Harwood, Jr.; South Brookfield, Mrs. Leslie Hurd.

Ingham - Northwest Aurelius, Mrs. Lucille Avery. Ionia - Sebewa Danby, Mrs.

Grace Cook. Jackson-Napolean, Mrs. L. Clyde Gray; South Jackson, Mrs. Harold

Kent-Vergennes, Mrs. William

Lenawee Britton, Mrs. Harry Dewey Ries; North Adrian, Mrs. Kill Weeds In Spring Harry Randolph; Riga, Mr. Kenneth Rehklau.

Livingston-North Howell, Mrs Joyce Drayton; West Center, Mrs.

Montmorency-Avery, Mrs. Shir-

Newaygo-Brookside, Mrs. Peter Smalligan. Northwest Michigan-Elmwood,

Charles LaBatt.

Osceola-Diamond Lake, Mrs. ganized.

has new and attractive headquart- | Herman Byers; North Presque Isle-South Belknap,

> Mrs. John Brege. Sanilac-Watertown, Mrs. Byron

Tuscola-Watertown, Mrs. Wil through many events scheduled to fred Leix. Van Buren-Bangor, Mrs. Mary da Weber.

> Washtenaw-Iron Creek, Mrs Marvin Kirk; York, Mrs. Theron Wayne-Plymouth, Mrs. Hiram

HONORABLE MENTION

The following groups had un usually fine meetings during the month of April and deserve Honorable Mention:

Cheboygan - Centerline, Mrs. Edna Tucker, Sec'y. Clinton-Watertown Center, Mrs. Margaret Noble.

Gratiot-North Star, Mrs. Betty

losco-Vine, Mrs. Ray Kobs. Lenawee-Rome, Mrs. Charles F Conklin.

International Trade Group

International trade and related economic problems were the major tion of Agricultural Producers at Saltsjobaden, Sweden, May 29 to June 8, a conference in which the American Farm Burean Federation and other major farm organizations

of the United States participated. The International Federation of Agricultural Producers is composed of about 40 farm organizations from 27 countries. At this year's meeting, the applications of a long list of other farm organizations for IFAP membership will be consider-President of IFAP is Dr. H. H. Hannum of Canada and Secretary-General is Andrew Cairns, also

of Canada. national understanding and good will. Further evidence of Farm Bureau's keen interest in IFAP is contained in a resolution adopted AFBF. The resolution emphasizes that AFBF favors "continued support of the International Federation of Agricultural Producers."

When the farm parity ratio recently dropped below 100, it was a clear warning for farmers to cut crop production costs by more efficient soil management methods. U. S. Department of Agriculture Genesee-Flushing No. 1, Mrs. figures show that the parity ratio Robert Coyner; Richfield, Mrs. Neil dipped to 98 in December-its low-

est level since 1941. Farm prices at the end of 1949 were 71 points below the high of formation. January, 1948. But prices farmers paid for commodities were only

ber, 1948. The Middle West Soil Improvement Committee says the way to cut costs is to produce higher crop yields per acre. Surest means of getting those higher yields is by using more commercial fertilizer, limestone, better seeds and by following a rotation centered around deep-rooted legumes and grasses. Agricultural economists point out Roth; Campbell Lake, Mrs. Arline that at present prices, fertilizer is one of the best buys a farmer can make. Fertilizer that cost \$1.00 in 1926 sells for only \$1.07 today.

Spring is a good time to start killing weeds with the selective weed killer, 2,4-D, say Michigan State College extension specialists. Be careful not to let the spray drift to shrubbery and flowers.

Make Map of Tiling

When it comes time for a tiling job on the farm, insist that a welldrawn map be made, advise Michigan State College agricultural engineers.

Farm Shop

Most farmers have the beginnings of a farm shop. It's merely a matter in one spot and keeping them or-



Iris Time

It's the season of the Iris On the street that's known as Hicks. We have little thought for base ball And less for politics. For the interest of the moment

And the pride of Marthy's days, Is her row of lovely Iris Such as only she can raise.

Other flowers are more exclusive Other blooms may smell more sweet But the gorgeous radiant Iris Is a kind that's hard to heat.

It is common and familiar, Every garden knows its face, It is elegant and stately It has poetry and grace.

Just as fancy as an orchid In its furbelows and frills Yet as folksy as the daisies Nodding on a thousand hills. Seems to me that when He made it The Creator must have smiled.

And His smile is still reflected In our flower bed's darling child. Marthy has a dozen colors And Cynthia Hicks a score

While the catalog from Schreiver's Lists a thousand kinds or more. Yet I view each bloom as proudly As a mother hen her chicks It's the season of the Iris On the street that's known as Hicks.

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

Pay Tribute to **Land Grant** Colleges

Top government, political and agricultural leaders across the country will pay tribute to nearly 90 years of Land-Grant College education during May and June. The kickoff came May 22, at Nashville, N. C., when members of Congress, government officials, representatives of National agricultural organizations and others. attended the national premier of the new technicolor motion picture,

'Waves of Green." The seed of inspiration for 'Waves of Green" was implanted in January 1948 when John A. Hannah, president of Michigan State College, spoke to the members of the Economic Club of Detroit on the contributions of Land-Grant Colleges to the development of American agriculture.

Officials of Dearborn Motors, Detroit, who heard President Hannah's stirring talk decided that the American people should be told how science and agriculture have combined forces to better the stand-The American Farm Bureau Fed- ard of living for all. Such achieveeration was privileged in 1949 to ments as the rescue of the wheat the United States-a tour which rust; development of a vaccine to accomplished a great deal in inter- halt Newcastle disease which threatened the poultry flocks of the nation; solution of the problem of the slow death of the apple growing industry of the Northwest; these at the 1949 annual meeting of and others which have been accomplished so quietly and efficiently that they have gone virtually un-

noticed. The new technicolor motion pic-ture, "Waves of Green," brings to the screen dramatically and entertainingly these success stories of scientists of the Land-Grant Colleges, and farmers working together to insure the quality of the food on your dinner table and the cloth-

ing on your back. This film will be made available through the film library of Michigan State College at East Lansing. Early Pastures

Sheep Ticks

county agricultural agent for in-

Calhoun Co. Opens Co-op Egg Market

Calhoun County Farm Bureau members began co-operative egg marketing during the week of February 27, according to the organization's egg marketing committee. The Farm Bureau members met two weeks earlier and agreed to market eggs co-operatively through the Branch County Egg Marketing Co-op.

Branch County egg marketing has been done through the Kroger marketing station at Hudson. They have realized above average prices. Some 215 members are market ing over 400 cases of eggs a week through the new facilities.

Pres. Buskirk Addresses FFA Convention

Speaking before delegates to the State Convention of the Michigan Association of Future Farmers of tal some 30 million acres and may America at its final session, Carl involve millions more during the E. Buskirk, President, Michigan next few years. These "surplus Farm Bureau, said: acres represent a major unbalance in our agricultural plant. What to

"Join a farm organization, join other organizations, make friends, he host to the IFAP on a tour of crop from the ravages of wheat get to know people, and the more you put into the organizations, the more you will get out of them. This is a world pressure groups. It is too bad but it is true. Organizations are pressure groups, for good or bad, and the individual is powerless except as part of such groups. Alone his influence is nothing.

"Today the farmer is spending more time off the farm than he used to. He is not chained to it as in the past. New farming methods have made this possible. He should be using this time off the farm to advantage, working in groups for the betterment of agriculture. You are getting a fine start as young farmers as members of your organization-the Future Farmers of America."

Make sure you have plenty of summer pasture. Good summer Spring and early summer is the pasture not only makes for high time to kill sheep ticks. Ask your production during the grazing months but also puts the cow in shape to do a better year-round job.

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FIELD SEEDS FOR SALE-LADINO clover see

taining about 20% alsike clover, \$1.00 per pound. State germination ted. Send your order early. Sid-Howard, Alanson, Michigan, one 157. (4-3t-25p) BULBS, SEEDS, PLANTS SWEET POTATO PLANTS. Tennessee Nancy Hall and Copper Skin Porto Ricans. Adaptable to Michigan soil and climate. Thrifty, well rooted plants. Growing guide included with each order. Packed so as to reach you in good condition. 300, \$1.00; 500, \$1.45; 1000, \$2.50; 5000, \$1.200. Dunn Bros. Plant Farm, Gleason, Tennessee. (6-21-50p)

FOR SALE COAL FURNACE-Good used Kala mazoo gravity, heat capacity up to 7 rooms, with hot and cold ducts and regulator, real buy at 850, 1869 Hall St., Holt, Mich. Ph. 76291.

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WOMEN

GET YOUR NEW, FREE Sewing Book Now! Save money! Have fun!
"Sew Easy With Cotton Bags" is full of newest ideas, latest patterns, illustrations! Gives complete directions on how to sew and save with cotton bags. Hurry! Mail post card today to National Cotton Council, Box 76. Memphis, Tennessee.

NOW IS THE TIME to order all needed sap collecting and boiling equipment for 1951. See our advertisement for King Evaporators on page 6 of this paper. We have now in stock special Colored Jugs, all sizes, to pack-age your maple syrup for the tourist trade. For complete information on all syrup making and marketing supplies, write Sugar Bush Supplies Co., P.O. Box 1107, Lansing, Mich. (4-tf-50b)

Comes From

Good Soil More and more, people are learning that health springs from soil. To have all one can eat is not necessarily enough. Food grown on poor soil reflects the deficiency in a lack of food nutriment. Small wonder that scientists are becom ing alarmed over the precious 10 inches of top soil left to us in many areas. It has been noted that no nation in history has destroyed soil faster than has the United

States Such destruction in other coun tries hundreds of years ago led to the final annihilation of whole races and broad empires. Mesopo tamia, where the Tigris and E phrates rivers joined to form what was perhaps the Garden of Eden, is a notable example of wasted A vast irrigation system built 2000 years B. C. grew abun dant crops equal to feed vast cities and a complex civilization; but forests in the outlying hills were cut down. Erosion debris was washed into the irrigation ditches and Mesopotamia became a waste land. Today it is a desert of drift ing sands which cover the ruins of a once great empire.

The story has been repeated in Syria, Central America, and the uplands drained by the Yellow River of China. The United States must not let it happen here, if it is to maintain its role as breadbasket

of the world. If foods eaten are, without doubt, nutritious then a wide variety is Bureau Federation last week re-emless necessary. Faced with a diminishing content of the needed elements, wide variety is recommended as the surest way to obtain all the minerals, vitamins, fats, and proteins which the body needs. Deficient diets invite di-

POST-WAR SHIFTS **PRODUCTION**

The long-expected adjustments from the wartime pattern of agri- all the people of the United States. cultural production are on in earnest in 1950, according to Carl that farm people are more depen-Heisig, Bureau of Agricultural Economics.

The announced allotment programs for the 1950 season call for about 12 million fewer acres in wheat than were planted in 1949; about 11 million fewer acres in corn in the commercial areas; and considerably fewer acres of cotton. Other war-expanded crops such as rice, peanuts, flaxseed, and pota- fice Committee chairman, Rep. Tom toes have been or are faced with reductions. Altogether these reductions to

problems facing farmers.

Bigger Milk Checks Control of mastitis means bigger milk checks, say dairymen at Michigan State College. They ad- organizations perform many servise managed milking and the use of a strip cup every day to help in and purchasing.

do with them is one of the major

Healthful Food Harold Vaughn

Harold Vaughn, of Mason, Blue Cross enrollment representative, who was well known to F. Bureau members throughout the state, passed away at the Mason General hospital following a brief illness, Mr. Vaughn worked with state,

county and local Farm Bureau groups in promoting the Blue Cross program, and during the past two years had visited the majority of the Farm Bureau enrolled groups. Before joining the Blue Cross staff, Mr. Vaughn had been general manager of the Saline Valley Farms Co-operative for 15 years. Prior to that time he had served as an agricultural extension agent in Oakland and Manistee counties.

He was born in New York state where he was reared on a farm and had lived in Michigan since 1914. Mr. Vaughn was a graduate of Michigan State College. He did postgraduate work in sociology and social sciences at the University of Chicago.

Memorial services for Mr. Vaughn were conducted in the Unitarian Chapel at Ann Arbor.

He is survived by his wife, Marian, and two sons, Robert and David.

AFBF REAFFIRMS OPPOSITION TO POSTAL HIKES

With the Senate Committee on Post Office and Civil Service now holding hearings on H. R. 2945 which calls for modified increases in postal rates, the American Farm phasized its opposition to rate hikes.

In a letter to the committee chairman, Senator Olin D. Johnston (D., N.C.), John C. Lynn, assistant legislative director of AFBF's Washington office, reminded the Senator that AFBF previously had appeared before committees of both House and Senate in opposition to rate prices. He quoted the AFBF resolution against legislation to increase postal rates which said that 'our opposition is predicated upon the belief that the Post Office De partment is rendering a service to

The AFBF resolution also notes dent on continuation of the present postal service than is any other major group, and that farmers would be most heavily affected by rate in creases

H. R. 2945 was passed by the House several months ago. Though it calls for rate raises, they are not as severe as those contained in the original bill. The House Post Of-Murray (D., Tenn.) introduced amendments which considerably modified the increases.

This is What Community Groups Say

(Continued from Page 1) pected to set a fair standard of prices and service. It is not the object of co-operatives to become a monopoly form of business. They are part of business in which other vices essential to farm marketing

USDA Opposes Tax Change Of Farm Co-ops

The Department of Agriculture opposes any change in the tax status of farmer cooperatives, and any change in section 101 of the Internal Revenue Code relative to such cooperatives, for the follow. ing reasons:

1-It would represent a fundamental change in public policy toward farmer cooperatives. 2-According to estimates made

by the Treasury Department, the amount of income taxes that could be expected from any change in section 101 respecting farmer cooperatives would result in only a little additional revenue. 3-Farmer cooperative tions, although incorporated, are

in the nature of economic partnerships. No partnership is required to pay income taxes-these taxes are paid by the individual partners. 4-All patronage dividends or refunds distributed by marketing or purchasing cooperatives, whether in the form of cash, certificates, or book credits, must be accounted

for by the farmers in their income tax returns. 5-A change in the tax status of farmer cooperatives would be regarded by millions of farm families as a forerunner of more drastic changes that might seriously undermine the entire cooperative structure and adversely affect the entire agricultural industry.

6-The existing tax status of farmer cooperatives is an ald to agriculture and is fully justified in the public interest.

Misfortunes

If all our misfortunes were laid in one common heap, whence every one must take an equal portion, most people would be content to take their own and depart. Socrates.

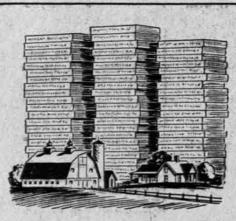
Temperament

There is no charm so great as the charm of a cheerful tempera ment. It is a great error to suppose this comes entirely by nature-it comes quite as much by culture.-Henry VanDyke.

Buy Farm Bureau quality feeds

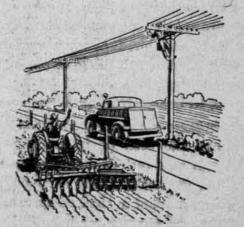


Rural Rele-news



ONE FOR THE BOOK-Telephone directories go with telephones just like ham goes with eggs. And last year Michigan Bell published more than 3,500,000 directories. Over 9,650,000 pounds of paper were purchased through Western Electric Company, the Bell System's supply division. Printing the directories took 124,000 pounds of ink and 65,000 pounds of glue were used for binding. It takes a lot of everything to provide telephone service.

AS SIMPLE AS A-B-C-Money for new construction needed to provide more and better rural telephone service has to come from investors. And investors only put their money in businesses that show a fair profit. So, no fair profit for Michigan Bell, no investors. No investors, no money for new construction. That's why it's important for you to have Michigan Bell financially healthy.





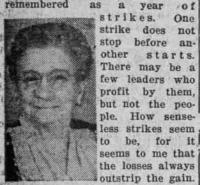
A TRIP SAVED - During planting this Spring, a Michigan farmer's tractor broke down. He was about to drive into town to get a spare part from the dealer there. But fortunately, he thought to telephone first. The dealer didn't have the right part. So he called the dealer in another nearby town and located the needed part. Saving needless trips and wasted hours is but one great value of the telephone.

MICHIGAN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY

This May Be The Year of Change

By MRS. EDITH M. WAGAR | fairs like that in Michigan of late. to me in many ways. We have gone into it far enough so that pivot year on which a habit of its pattern seems to suggest what indulgent spending and waste turn-

to date this will be



outstrip the gain. There's a nation-wide ado over ommunism. Anyone can start a tale of communism against those who may differ with him.

In my estimation a country that seems unable to curb or conto freeze its citizens, or stop transportation, or tie up communications, or disrupt business and eliminate communism until it can master such problems

The example set by the defiance of labor management to government is sure to create a lawlessness with long before this century is

law and order among young free to everybody. folks. It needs attention. If they ties when they do not have their us, it is most difficult for us to Town way. In fact that disturbance adjust ourselves to the idea of mamong the schools in New York anything but self-support. should serve as an example of what might happen anywhere. I 1950, but I never knew a year

Briar Hill Farm, Carleton, Mich. It is out of just such antics that This year of 1950 seems unique communistic tendencies are born.

1950 may be remembered as the is coming. It may be the year of ed to a realization of some needed economy.

Congress and our state legislature should be commended for strikes. One their courage in their attempt to curb spending. We all know it is stop before an- a far easier job to deal out money starts. than it is to count the pennies and There may be a make them suffice. It is only few leaders who human nature to feel our wants profit by them, are never supplied. We no more but not the peo- than get an automobile than we ple. How sense want a new hat and perhaps a fur less strikes seem coat, but if we shake ourselves to be, for it down to a safe footing we seems to me that | know we can get along without either and be just as happy.

We may think we don't make a living, but if we convince ourselves we can live within what we make, we will save ourselves many heartaches in the future.

A few weeks ago it was my pleasure to go over some of the trol labor leaders who are willing roads in a section where in the days of depression home after home was on relief. My mind went back to the utter desolation create poverty, cannot hope to of those places. But I fear if another such time should be our lot, history may repeat itself, for over many of those tar paper shacks is a television aerial and in the driveway a car. I admit the car is a that will be most difficult to live necessity if the man works away from home.

1950 may be the turning point I believe in labor organizations in the tax structure of our counas I believe in farm organizations. try. We all know that taxes have Let each represent and serve as a been on the incline for a long, long spokesman for its own group but time. They have taxed our pronone of them should ever be al- perty, our conveniences, our enjoylowed to be stronger than the ment, our prospects, our memory country in which we are all citi- and our patience. It would be a real comfort to feel that some There is a tendency to defiance things could once again be tax

To some of us who started life observe continually in everyday on a shoe string and lived every life "strikes and pickets," and vio- day with the thought that we must lence as a part of the picture, they save penny by penny for the rainy are pretty apt to try the same tac- day that might some day overtake

Maybe I am asking too much of have heard of some miniature af- where I felt a change would be



THAT

Yes, every year, hay fires resulting from spontaneous combustion cost Michigan farmers an estimated \$250,000.00 Last year alone, State Mutual paid known losses from this cause amounting to \$26,351.94. And it is reasonable to believe that many more losses, though listed as "cause unknown", were really caused by hay which over-heated because it was too green or too wet when put in the mow. What can you do to protect yourself against the danger of hay losses caused by spontaneous combustion or spoilage? Simply follow these common-sense rules:

1. Wait until hay is thoroughly cured before you begin hauling. We believe 90% of all hay fires would be prevented if farmers would observe just this one

2. Check hay for over-heating at least once a week for two months after it is stored in the mow. Use a hay prod thermometer. A reading above 180 degrees means there is dangerous overheating. If you have no thermometer, drive a long metal rod through the hay, and then, after 20 minutes, check the rod for hot spots. If the rod is too hot to bear on the hand, the hay is dangerously near the combustion temperature.

3. Overheated or burning hay should be removed from the barn, but it is important to take these precautions: Have fire fighting equipment ready for immediate use. Have the fire department on hand if possible. Drench the overheated areas with water before removing hay. If possible, have the actual removal of hay supervised by someone who knows how to handle the job.

4. Even if the hay is properly cured before it goes into the mow, a leaky roof may let in enough rain to cause heating. So as an added precaution, be sure your barn roof is in good repair. It may save the whole barn from being destroyed by fire.

We will be glad to supply you with further information on how to reduce fire hazards on your farm. Or you can ask your local State Mutual agent. Be sure he also tells youabout State Mutual's farm fire insurance-a policy that provides all the coverage you need without unneccessary frills or extras. It actually gives you "protection made to order."



Woman's Council Plans Tour for Foreign Guests



Several members of the Advisory Council of the Women of the Michigan Farm Bureau met at Lansing, May 29, to plan the tour of Michigan rural communities for their guests from Germany. Left to right: Mrs. Marie Heuchting and Miss Leisetotte Handt of Germany, Mrs. John W. Fletcher of Centerville, Mrs. Carleton Ball of Albion, Mrs. Harry Whittaker of Metamora, Mrs. Leon Dunning of Delton, Mrs. Harry Shannon of Marcellus, and Mrs. Marjorie Karker of Lansing.

more beneficial for our nation as whole. There's a lacking of appreciation for the many blessings that are actually heaped upon our country. There's much work to be done at a pay that should be earned. We have the greatest opportunity to show the world how to live with ourselves and with each other. So why not set the vehicle in that direction and steer it right until we have made America all that she

Another Brannan Plan Rejected

By DON KINSEY Research and Information

Early in 1950 Secretary of Agriulture Brannan suggested that the inefficient segment of the farm population, those who were unable to make a reasonable living wage, should be subsidized for training and moved to industrial areas of employment. The question as to the desirability of such a program was placed before the Michigan U-M BEGINS Farm Bureau Community Discus sion Groups in March.

The proposal did not meet with favorable reaction by the members of the discussion groups. The ON RESOURCES the discussion groups. The people nor other economic groups should advocate such a program, should take no such initiative. It is the view of a vast majority that the choice of his patural resources in the field rigid costs will again mean a sharp the choice of his occupation and locality of living should be left to the individual, and that the subsidizing of inefficiency of any sort has no justification.

The groups were strongly in favor of maintaining the farms of the country as family-operated units. They do not favor having the industry of farming become a corporation-controlled enterprise.

Rural youth should be encouraged to remain on the farm if he has an interest and ability for the work. But in a free economy he, too, should be left to choose his own future. Because of the difficulty and costs of beginning a farming career today, it was felt that parents will have to give aid to their sons in getting established. Father-son agreements in which young people are given a real part in the business of the farm were recommended.

Family farms may, in many cases have to be enlarged if the costs of machine operation are to be met successfully. But many of our groups recognized the fact that we cannot easily or feasibly increase the size of the farms without having some of the present farmers leaving the field of agriculture. For this reason, and to avoid the trend toward commercial farms, many of our groups stood opposed to the idea of larger

Safe Driving a Jr. FB Project

reau is studying ways and means to promote a state-wide contest for safety in driving automobiles and other motor vehicles. A committee is working out details with representatives of the State police and with Nile Vermillion, manager of the Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company of Michigan.

Mr. Vermillion told the Junior State Council recently that National insurance underwriters figures show that accident loss records are a severe indictment of drivers in the age range from 16 to 24 years

Lieut. Van Blankenstyne and Sgt. Hunt of the State police at Lansing endorsed the safety contest and offered help from every state police post in the handling of driving schools, promotion of rules of the road, safety driving demonstrations

The Farm Bureau women in Os ceola county sponsored a welcome party for all new members at the Hersey gyunasium Friday evening. May 12. Mrs. Russell Gingrich Mrs. Leo Quast and Mrs. Russell McLachlan welcomed the 288

The evening's program featured musical numbers and readings by ach county Farm Bureau group. First prize of \$5.00 for having the greatest number of new Farm Bureau members went to the East Marion group. East Lake and Up and Going tied for second place with a reward of \$1.25. Osceola county made its 1950 goal of 411 members.

A potluck lunch was served t guests at the close of the program Mrs. Stephen Wall and Mrs. Floyd Myers were in charge of the sucessful program.

FIRST SCHOOL

The University of Michigan, which offered the first regular of natural resources.

A School of Natural Resources, operators; probably about as much the first in the world, will be es- as last year. This would leave net tablished this fall to replace and income about a third below the expand the activities of the School | peak reached in 1947. of Forestry and Conservation.

Dean Samuel T. Dana said the ed for 1950 has occurred. establishment of the new school is the earth in their relation to man.

Eighty-eight Farm Bureau women of District 7 were guests of reau women at their spring meeting Thursday May 4, at the D. B. S. Hall in Greenville.

Mrs. Mildred Church, district chairman, was in charge of the meeting. Mrs. Marjorie Karker, state director, called on county chairmen for a description of their respective county projects.

Mr. Don Kinsey, director of re search and information, Michigan Farm Bureau, spoke on, "The Brannan Plan, a Challenge to American Freedom."

succeeded Mrs. Mildred Church as chairman of District 7; Mrs. Allising for use on those fields where Mrs. R. N. McLachlan of Evart, difficult to obtain. secretary-treasurer.

Horse and Buggy Wasn't Safe Either

that year, 3,850 persons were killed dow crops. in accidents involving horses and horse-drawn vehicles-or 30 fatalities for each 100 million horse travel miles. By contrast, the nation's current motor vehicle fatalilion vehicle miles of travel.

Market Eggs Frequently

Eggs should be marketed frequently, oftener than once a week if possible, say Michigan State College poultrymen.

Buy Farm Bureau quality feeds. | Voice.

Farmers Warned That F.B. OPPOSES Flatlands Erode, Too "Flatland soil conservation con-cerns the maintenance of fertility PLAN FOR ROAD

FINANCING

Opposition to Governor Williams'

plan for road financing through

tion taxes, was voiced by the Elk-

ing held recently at the home of

group reiterated its stand in favor

necessary to raise more funds.

The secretary was instructed to

write to the district's representa-

questing them to oppose Senate

Bill 9, the governor's plan, and to

line up with those in favor of a

A piano solo, "Country Garden,"

was given by Shirley Stauffer, and

a monologue, "The Punishment of

heavier gas tax.

and productivity of those level lands which produce a good part of our agricultural products," says B. A. Myers, district conservationist at Saginaw.

"Even the flattest land will erode unless cared for," he warned. "A funds from the general fund, cougood example of this is the silt pled with an increase in corporaload carried by the Saginaw river. The water shed is approximately Riverside Farm Bureau at a meet-50% flat land, yet we find at flood peak the Saginaw carries approxi- Mr. and Mrs. Ernst Fluegge. The mately 43,000 tons of top soil as suspended material in a 24-hour of increasing the gasoline tax if

Look for Repeat tives in the state legislature re-Performance In Farm Income

Mary Louise," was presented by Changes in the 1950 price-cost-in-Anne Schlabach . Dickey Ramseyer sang "Mother." Group singing come pattern for agriculture are likely to be much the same as in was enjoyed under the leadership 1949, according to Bureau of Agr'l of Mrs. Ralph Bedford with Al Bailey at the piano.

For all of 1950, prices farmers re ceive are expected to average a little less than a tenth below 1949. Costs will remain fairly stable, weakening only slightly. The comdrop in the net income of farm

Some of the price decline expect-

In the first 4 months, the index a logical further step for the Uni- of prices received by farmers averversity to take at this time. Teach- aged about 9 percent below the ing and research will be widened same period of last year and about in the School of Natural Resources | 5 percent under the level for all to consider everything which na- of 1949. With support programs in ture has placed on, under and over effect for many commodities, prices of crops generally have stayed close to last year's average. Sharpest declines have occurred in livestock

The quantity of crops marketed this year is likely to be down substantially from 1949 mainly because of acreage allotments for some crops. If the weather is normal this year, however, supplies are likely to be large enough to result the Montcalm County Farm Bu- in further declines in crop prices in the second half of 1949.

Further price reductions in livestock products also are likely because of increased marketings of hogs and cattle expected later in 1950.

METHOD OF

A new method of establishing meadow seeding is being further Mrs. Carl Johnson of Pierson improved by Ohio agronomists this year. It looks particularly prombert Kunzie, vice-chairman and good catches of legumes have been The most important feature of

this method is the use of a starter fertilizer with the meadow seeding. The fertilizer is placed so that it is available to the seedlings Old. Dobbin had a poor safety immediately after germination. record. In 1909, we had some 26 This is done by banding both the million horses and mules on our seed and the fertilizer. Ohio streets and roads, traveling about agronomists call this the "band 13 billion miles a year. During seeding" methods for seeding mea-

Farm Safety Week July 23 Thru 29

According to a proclamation by ty rate is 7 deaths for each 100 mil- the President of the United States, July 23 to 29 has been set aside officially as Farm Safety Week. This worthy program has the endorsement of all leading farm groups in the country, according to the National Safety Council.

> Farmers can influence legislation only through an organized

146 women attended the sixth district Farm Bureau Women's meeting in the Methodist church at Marlette recently. Mrs. Wesley Mahaffy, Marlette, was in charge of the meeting.

F. B. Women Hold

District Meeting

Mrs. Harry Whittaker, Meta-Women's State Chairman, gave a short report of her activities since her election last November. Other reports were given by county chairmen. Mrs. James Mawer gave the report for Lapeer

Mrs. Marjorie Karker, State Women's Director of Lansing, gave a short talk on Farm Bureau Women's work. Highlighting the program was the address by Maynard Allen, social welfare commission.

Can New Wonder Drug Speed Animal Growth?

Can aureomycin, the golden drug used to combat pneumonia, also speed the growth of animals? A top animal nutritionist, Dr. James McGinnis of Washington State College, thinks so. He told a Chicago feed manufacturers' convention this week that the drug "is the real thing" in animal husbandry. The drug is reported to have stepped up the growth of hogs 50% and also helped chickens and tur-

Keep conservation in mind as ou do the spring fitting of fields.

COOK SPUDS FOR

lege extension poultryman, says boiled or steamed potatoes are satisfactory as a substitute for about half the normal weight of grain given poultry for growth, fattening or egg production.

Raw potatoes are not suitable as chickens do not like the taste and are unable to digest them.

Feeding of boiled potatoes, made into a mash with the grain mixture and oil or vitamin concentrates added proves satisfactory. About 5 to 8 pounds of potatoes daily for each 100 layers is the maximum that can be fed. Moore suggests that the mash made of cull or surplus potatoes be prepared fresh

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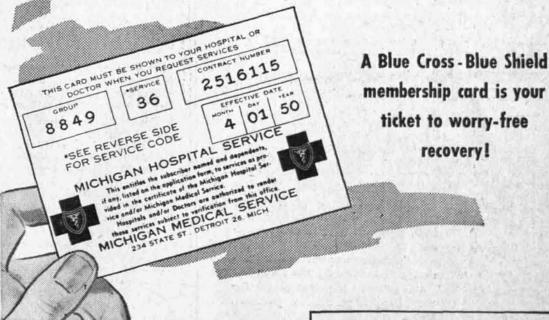
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MHANCES ARE 1 IN 9 that you will o need hospital care this year. And unexpected hospital and medical bills can be financially disastrous. Such bills often take months, even years, to pay off-may make it necessary for you to go into debt in order to meet them. That's why you and your family cannot afford to be without Blue Cross - Blue Shield, Michigan's completely non-profit, voluntary health-care plan. The cost is only a few cents per day, and your Blue Cross-Blue Shield card may save you hundreds, even thousands of dollars in case of illness or accident.

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Farmers Want Longer Life In Alfalfa

their alfalfa to last for several years, so crops research scientists at the Michigan Agricultural Experiment Station have found several recommendations for them.

S. T. Dexter, Michigan State College farm crops scientist, says that winterhardy variegated varieties such as Grimm, Hardigan, and Canadian Variegated have long been recommended to get through our severe winters without injury. Northern grown commons are an acceptable second choice.

the newly spreading disease, bac- reduce corn acreage 6 percent, they terial wilt of alfalfa. While it was fully as winterhardy as Grimm, 8 percent and both barley and sorgyielded as well, and was somewhat hum 24 percent. The acreage in resistant to the new disease, it had hay would be upped 3 percent. some disadvantages. It was slow to recover from cutting with a result- tually planted and yields are averant small second crop, suffered age, the feed grain supply for 1950somewhat from leafspot, and tend- 51 in relation to the number of liveed to be less green in color than stock expected to be fed would be Grimm. These characteristics plus smaller than in either of the last scarcity of seed timited its use.

Two new varieties which were war. highly resistant to bacterial wilt were brought out about 10 years 3 STATES MARKE were brought out about 10 years seed is gradually becoming available. The new Buffalo was too tender for our winters but the other variety, Ranger, was found to be almost as winterhardy as Grimm and yielded well. It should be man aged carefully, if used, in order to avoid winter injury and thus get the benefit of the wilt resistance.

Michigan-grown seed from varie gated varieties is still best for farmers who wish to plow up their alfalfa after two or three years of harvest, according to Mr. Dexter.

On farms where wilt resistance is needed, Ranger may give good results. In the northern part of the state, Ladak may be better than either Grimm or Hardigan.



"No! No! Baxter - you don't drain her like you do the tractor."

Sound economic action, without inspired leadership, cannot solve anything.-Louis Bromfield.

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Sow Testing Is Proving Popular

Sow testing by Michigan farmers is proving popular again this year. The first report on the 1950 project is provided by Harry Moxley, Extension livestock specialist at Michigan State College.

As of early in May, 479 litters, representing swine producers in 29 counties, had been received. Hills dale county producers sent in 87 litters for the highest number from any one county. Gratiot county entered 64 litters.

MORE ACRES

acreage into the four principal feed grains than in 1949, their planting The Ladak variety was brought intentions have shown according to cut about 20 years ago to combat U.S.D.A. Though they intended to reported they planned to boost oats

If the intended acreages are ac two seasons but a tenth above pre-

Three States-Iowa, Illinois and Indiana-during 1948 and 1949 marketed a combined 45% of the estimated sales of hogs in the nation, as shown by tables of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics. for each of these years Iowa averaged 24% of the national hog mar keting, Illinois averaged 12% and Indiana 9% of the total.

Minnesota, Missouri and Ohio are also top States, so that all 6 States together accounted for near ly 60% of all hog marketings. Sev-States in 1949 marketed between 45% and 50% of the entire cattle and calves sales of the na-

EGG PRODUCTION

Farm flocks laid nearly 5 percent more eggs in April than in the same month last year and 4 percent more than the 1939-48 average, according to the Crop Reporting Board. Production for April 1950 was estimated at 6,-386,000,000 eggs.

The nation's farm flock averaged 361,759,000 layers in April-6 percent more than in the corresponding period in 1949 and 2 percent above the average. Chicks and young chickens of

this year's hatching on farms May 1 are estimated at 402,054,000-5 percent less than a year ago and 3 percent below the average.

How much this man has conlibuted to the phenomenal corn For Heavy Work

To meet the increasing demand for a heavy duty tractor for use on larger farms, the National Farm Machinery Cooperative has developed a new model designed to furnish greater power, while retaining the basic features of the present model E-3. Called the Co-op E-4, the new model is the result of two and a half years of careful planning and a period of exhaustive field testing to prove its performance.

Working with the National Farm Machinery Cooperative in planning the new farm tractor, the Cockshutt Plow Company incorporated in its design the outstanding features of the well-known E-3. Two more cylinders were added to the E-3's Buda engine to give the added power, at the same time insuring that all vertical parts of the two engines are interchangeable to simplify servicing. By using the same basic design, it was possible to economize on the cost of manu facture, since existing factory tools could be used on both tractors.

The Co-op E-4 is a 3-4 plow rated tractor which can be furnished with either gasoline or diesel engines. It provides 50 per cent more power than the smaller E-3, with a horsepower rating of 42 at the drawbar, and can be had in four different models for special jobs: (1) Row erop with dual front wheels; (2) Row crop with single front wheels; (3) Row crop with adjustable front axle; (4) Standard with non-adjustable front

AND LEGUMES

Grasses and legumes are the key

Longnecker cites tests made on found that greater care is requir- the Ferden Experimental Plots in ed when mixtures with more than Saginaw County to prove his point. 50 percent alfalfa or those high in Over a nine-year period, corn has averaged 51.1 bushels to the acre in About two-thirds of the farmers rotations including legumes. On

The longer the experiment is contein than that from more mature tinued, the wider the difference That's proof, Longnecker gets. The specialists found the farm- thinks, that the longer land goes ers most successful had taken the without a legume or grass crop, the time to get well organized before more difficult it will be to get it back into high production.

Legumes and grasses like brome, of the things that go with the stan- timothy and Kentucky bluegrass dard kind of hay making. For ex- are helpful in soil conservation and ample, don't get a whole field building in other ways. Forming down at one time, or you'll find a turf or sod, they protect the surthe grass is too dry before you get face against both wind and water it into the silo. Cut down only erosion, the soil scientist explained. Roots penetrate the sub-soil and loosen it up to help drainage and Grass silage stored by wilting at aeration of heavy, tight clay soils. Sheep Dippers 65 to 70 percent moisture needs They prevent sandy rolling soils from washing.

> During the month of June, Michigan farmers will have a chance to see demonstrations of the value of program. Grass Days are being sponsored by the Michigan Cooperative Extension Service with assistance from other agencies in all

be ailing. Don't give an ailment a chance to progress even to the next milk is to remember the three "C's" feeding. A delay to too many hours clean, cool, and covered, says MSC dairymen,

New Record Set On 1st Black Hawk Corn Twice-Day Milking

On strictly practical twice-daily DON'T JUST most farmer-dairyman operations an Oregon Holstein has set a new record for butterfat production in one year's time.

Her production of 1141.8 pounds of butterfat was completed under the Herd Improvement Registry program officially conducted by The Holstein-Friesian Association of America through cooperation with the state agricultural colleges. Her mark is the highest production of butterfat ever recorded for a U. S. Holstein milked twice daily and carries with it the real honor of making her one of the few cows in history to produce over 1,000 pounds of butterfat on two-time

COLONIAL PAIL CHALLENGE

pearance of the present-day cow, In general, she would resemble the slightly larger and certainly better cow of today, the results would no doubt cause his eyes to pop out. milk an average colonial cow produced in one day, he would need pail that would hold slightly over ome of the present-day commermilked Carnation Ormsby Madcap tures lose their vigor if cows graze Fayne, a Holstein with a milking record of 41,943 pounds in 1 year, on pasture that has not had suffihe would need a good-sized wash cient time for recovery. tub. After one such milking, no doubt he would have been ready to go back to sleep for another 200

Control Day for Tuscola Co.

ment in producing a good crop whether it be a cultivated or noncultivated crop. Reduction of crop yields are due to the "stealing" of plant food elements and moisture from the crop. Lapeer County Agiculture Agent, Stan Mahaffy, tates that many chemicals for weed control are on the market at the present time and are effective if used properly for their intended purpose.

Farmers will have an opportunity to see demonstrational plots in crops and pastures where various chemicals have been applied on Wednesday, June 7th, in Tuscola County. This weed control day will be held on the Bates Wills farm, 2 miles north of Vassar.

The all day affair is being planned to show the effectiveness of chemicals for all kinds of weeds. Michigan State College specialists will be on hand to explain the various demonstrations and discuss management problems of weed killers with relation to different

High Forage Farms Bring

The greater returns that farm ers are getting on high-forage farms generally are due to the effect of grass and legumes have in increasing yields of their grain crops and to the larger volume of business they have developed by feeding more forage and grain to roughage-consuming livestock according to C. W. Crickman, Bureau of Agricultural Economics,

Changing over to a system of farming with more grass and more livestock, however, generally requires more work, new investments, a greater variety of skills in management, and involves greater risks. Although the net farm returns are increased, the return for each hour of labor may not be so large as hefore the change.

MSC Helps Locate

As a service to Michigan flock wners, Graydon Blank, Michigan State College livestock specialist, is compiling a list of those persons operating portable sheep dipping vats or power sprayers.

If you operate, or know of anyone operating a portable dipping vat or a power sprayer write to Graydon Blank animal husbandry specialist, Michigan State College East Lansing. The list will be made available to county agents The way to help insure quality and for direct mailing to interested

GOOD PASTURES

fertilized meadow-type pasture will provide good "board and room" for dairy cow during the summe grazing season and will keep that cow sleek and well-fed with high protein grass silage through the declared the Middle West Soil Improvement Committee.

Emphasizing that good pastures 'don't just happen", the committee lists these steps from J. L. Hayne at Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station, to build, maintain, and use high-yielding, high-quality pastures

1. Seed a well-adapted high yield ing meadow-type legume-grass mixture. Add plant nutrients to the soil so it can feed the legumes and grasses. Alfalfa and other legumes need plenty of phosphate and potash fertilizer

2. Keep up alfalfa and ladino stands with a generous top-dressing of phosphate and potash each year in fall or spring. That will If a Colonial American farmer not only pay off in more high-protein feed and vigorous legume growth, but it will prolong the life of the stand by keeping it thick and

3. Rotate your grazing and avoid over-grazing. Divide the meadowtype pasture into small fenced fields or paddocks. Arrange these paddocks so they adjoin a bluegrass utility pasture containing shade and water. Move the herd to a new able forage is exhausted on the one Instead of the one-half gallon in use. Clip each paddock at the bucket that would hold all of the end of each grazing period to obtain uniform recovery.

4. Give the legume-grass field plenty of time to recover before gallons. If he milked a cow in putting cows back on. Such a recovery period varies from about 3 ial herds, he would need at least weeks in spring to 4 or 5 weeks dur-4-gallon container. And if he ing the drier parts of summer. Pasone field too long or are put back

5. Give cows on lush legume-grass mixtures free access to the bluegrass utility pasture containing shade and water. The bluegrass utility pasture need not be large-a quarter acre per cow is usually adequate. Paddock gates should always he left open so cows can readily move to the utility pasture after filling on the legume-grass pad-

6. Harvest surplus forage on paddocks not used for spring grazing. Due to weather conditions in spring, the forage can be more easily handled as grass silage than as hay. After growth recovery, paddocks harvested for grass silage can be included in the regular grazing sequence with spring-grazed pad-

Prosperity cannot be coaxed back by forcing higher wages.-Herman W. Steinkraus.

Crop Yields Depend on Soil **Food Balance**

Maintaining high crop yields year after year depends on getting and keeping a well-balanced supply of nutrients in a soil well cond! tioned with organic matter, clared the Middle West Soil Improvement Committée in a statement issued recently,

"No one element is the sole answer to high production over extended periods," says the statement.

"It is true that some soil for a ime gives startling responses to one element. But the reason for this is that such soil is deficient in that one element, while well stocked with others.

"Take, for instance, a soil lackng in potash. As soon as potash is added, the crop response is tremendous. But continued additions of potash alone will soon pull down the available supply of nitrogen,

phosphate and other nutrient ele ments. When that happens there will be no response from petash until these other elements are add-

How to Open Feed-Seed Bags

Here's the easy, safe way to open eed and seed bags. Pace the bag with the single stitch side toward you. Out off surplus string on the right-hand side. Pull out one single stitch with a nail or knife point. Grasp the string on both sides of the bag and pull. If the thread does not unravel immediate ly, pull out another single stitch Feed and seed hags open when you do it correctly.

Since paper bags for fertilizer and other materials have no reuse value most farmers cut or rip them

Milk House

Michigan State College agricultural specialists say that the es sential equipment in a milk house includes a milk cooler, a double wash vat, a water heater; and a can rack.



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detect any signs that a calf may may be dangerous. THE REPORT OF THE PARTY AND PARTY OF THE PAR

Planter Still In Use The Indians taught the Pilgrim fathers how to plant corn. Nearly 300 years elapsed before a native of Sweden came along to provide American farmers with the machine to plant it properly and efficiently.

The corn planter which this keen-minded Swede first helped build over 50 years ago bears the Indian name had done a "kip van winkie and Black Hawk." In the interim, Ernst Emil Englund, ly wouldn't be startled at the apwho for many years was the head of what is now Nation- according to Benjamin H. Bennett, al Farm Machinery Co-operative, Inc.'s experimental Bureau of Agricultural Economics. department, has gone spryly about the business of de- cow he was accustomed to milking, veloping the Black Hawk into the country's most ac- although she would probably be curate corn planter and a favorite among the nation's fed. But, if he milked an average

farmers. Today at 80 he works full timesat National Farm Machinery Cooperatives' Bellevue, Ohio plant among his experimental models, determined to build a still better

Black Hawk planter. ributed to the phenomenal corn production in this country obviously cannot be measured, but the thousands and thousands of Black Hawk planters and those of competitive makes utilizing his basic patents are working evidence of his role in helping fill the world's food baskets.

Asked if he visualized still greater development in the planter, Mr. Englund commented, "Yes, but I doubt that there will ever be any basic change in the drop plate on the planter. It is just as basic as the needle on the sewing machine and the escapement on a watch, neither of which has been altered in decades.'

The first Black Hawk corn planter was recently returned to the Bellevue plant for reconditioning and new seed plates. As far as is known, it is in service today in the Memphis, Tennessee area.

Contests for the oldest Black Hawk corn planter were recently held in Ingham, Eaton and Clinton counties in Michigan, Several showed up with 1904 as their dates of manufacture. They were still in

Simplicity coupled with perfect accuracy has made the famous Coop Black Hawk planter one of the ost outstanding corn planter used on farms today. Your Farm Bureau Services has been selling through its many farm equipment dealers this popular and dependable plant-

Grass Silage

Needs More Care A number of Michigan farmers BUILD SOIL will be putting up grass silage for the first time this year. Lots of others will be expanding their use

of it after giving it a try on a small scale last year. A report from a survey by the lege showed that all types of mea- crops in a rotation to build and

specialists at Michigan State Coldow mixtures have been used for save soil according to Ed Longneckgrass silage. Alfalfa-brome mix- er, Michigan State College extentures were the most common type sion specialist in soil science. going into the sile. Farmers

ladino clover are ensiled. started filling their silos during plots where no legumes were used, the first two weeks of June and a the average corn yield has been 34.8 majority of them plan to cut the bushels an acre. Yields of other crop at the one-quarter blossom or crops than corn have also been less stage. Chemical analysis of greater when clover, alfalfa and grass silage samples showed the grasses were used in the rotation. early cut crop was higher in pro-

they started filling the silo. They also found you need to forget some as much as you can put in the silo only one to three hours of sun-

Always watch calves carefully to

shine Two-thirds of the farmers re you do use a preservative, such as grass and legumes in the farming ported using no preservative. If molasses, remember that it is good only with wet forage. Watch Calves Carefully

areas of the state. Insure Quality Milk

folks.

Buy Farm Bureau quality feeds.

Advise Repeat For Bang's Vaccination

Dr. I. F. Huddleson, who perfected the "Brucella M" vaccine for prevention of Bang's disease in cattle, recommends re-vaccination after two years, The Michigan State College brucellosis authority advises farmers who used the vaccine on animals more than two for another innoculation.

Veterinarians throughout the state report most farmers to be highly pleased with results of the vaccine developed in the Brucella Laboratory on the Michigan State College campus. It is available through most Michigan veterinarlans who have been given a permit by the Michigan Department of Agriculture to use it.

BENZIE GETS

The board of directors of Benzie County Farm Bureau approved May 15th plans and a budget for the 1951 roll call for membership as prepared by the membership

committee of the board. It was decided that Benzie county shall follow the proven roll call stretching of fence, plan as nearly as possible as an experiment this year. A roll call manager will be hired as soon as training school at Sturgeon Bay. Wisconsin, June 18-25. The board believes that a much better job can be done on the roll call if plans and training are started early, said Mrs. Dorothea Nevius,

Summer Pasture

Early pasture is good for both sows and their litters. Michigan State College animal husbandry specialists say that putting the pigs on pasture as soon as possible, helps avoid the dangers of anemia and other baby pig ailments.

Farm Bureau Offers GROWING BULK FERTILIZER SPREADER **Known Quality Fence**

For many years most farmers had no way of knowing the quality of any particular piece of fence or barb wire. Farmers have bought it on a price basis, hoping to get years ago to contact veterinarians their moneys' worth. Many a farmer has bought "bargain fence" only to find it thinly and unevenly zinc coated and a poor investment in the long run.

> As the result of these so-called "fence bargains," in some localities, farmers have experienced a wide variation in price. There was the same variation in quality too, but few have any way of knowing how great that

> > F.F.A. program will be held at

schools will be closed, and it is be

ing held on Friday and Saturday

this year to interfere less with

The program will consist of judg

ing livestock, dairy, poultry, farm

management, farm mechanics, and

A total of \$1,400.00 in cash

awards has been allocated to this

program. All F.F.A. chapters should

plan to participate in the judging

contests and prepare educational ex-

Quoting Bureau of Agricultural

Economics figures, the Federal Re-

serve Bank of Chicago notes that

as of January 1, 1950, farmers' de

posits and currency holdings

totalled \$14 billions; their U. S.

saving bond holdings were \$5.1

billions, and their investments in

cooperatives \$2.1 billions. The

latter figure was compared with

co-op investments of \$2,036,000,000

as of January 1, 1949-an increase

U. S. Grader Assigned

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culture has assigned Federal Grad-

er Wesley J. Ketcham to Mid-West

Producers' Creameries, Inc. of

South Bend, Indiana. Mr. Ket-

cham's duties will include the

grading of butter and cheese pro

duced by the affiliated creameries,

improvement problems.

Lower Dairy Costs

Plant Farm Bureau Seeda.

ical housing.

of slightly more than 3%.

dairy products as well as education-

school time.

al exhibits.

Beginning last August, F. B. applied at no less than the mini Unico farm fence and barb wire mum specified, has proven to last had a new waterproof envelope attached in place of the customary

There is a page inside the envelope telling the farmer patron 31st FFA ANNUAL what Unico Specification Fence means to him and what specifications mean in the way of the rust-free life of his fence. This printed page also gives a lot of information on the erection and STATE COLLEGE

This program is the result of several years of work and planning and means that the farmer patron possible so that he may be sent to now has a yardstick with which he the Midwest Farm Bureau states can measure field fence and barb wire values.

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Unico Specification Fence now has many advantages for co-op store managers as well as patrons. When

lower prices are quoted in their trading areas, each store manager Farmers Invest More can ask for a quality comparison. Patrons will not be easily fooled on In Their Co-ops fence quality or lower prices, Fence Farmers had slightly more in with a uniform coating of zinc, vested in their cooperatives as of the first of this year, than they did a year before. But this investment was still not a very big part of **Best** for Farm their financial assets.

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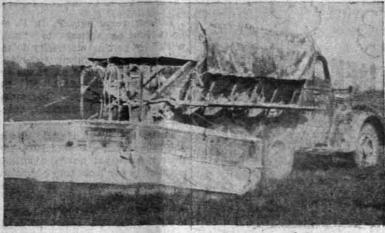
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SERVICE PROVES GREAT AID TO FARMERS



Farmers of the Saginaw valley propeller at the rear of the truck longer and cost farmer patrons less from Farm Bureau Services' bulk more per acre. fertilizer spreading service this

fertilizer he wants applied where he wants it on his farm in any quantity. This service cuts spread-The third post war or thirty-first ing time in half and affords consid erable savings through the bulk Michigan State College, East Lanhandling of fertilizer over the usual sing, on June 16 and 17. Most methods of distribution.

Fred Harger, in charge of ferilizer production for Farm Bureau Services, says that the new service was created by the demand of farmers who were interested in saving time, labor and money,

Mr. Harger pointed out that since the demonstration of the new type er. Other fertilizer manufacturers spreader was given last fall, orders realizing the importance of this for the service have totalled more service to farmers, are rapidly conthan 500 tons. The trucks that do ers, and each has a capacity of next year.

area, who fell behind normal plant- to insure even spreading. Rates of ing schedules due to poor weather, application can be set to apply are receiving considerable help evenly 300, 400, or 500 pounds or

The two trucks now under contract to Farm Bureau Services are The new spreader service makes owned by Edward Whalen, Caro t possible for the farmer to have the contractor. Two more trucks are being converted to help fill present and future orders. These trucks are evalued at about \$12,000 each.

To make the cost of this service even less to the farmer, he can apply for benefit payments on certain types of applications through the Production Marketing Administration. Farmers should check with their local P. M. A. committeemen for benefit payment allowances.

Farm Bureau Services is the on y organization in the area who is providing this service to the farm verting their facilities and are the work are converted lime spread- planning to offer a similar service

Farmers wishing to have this A rotating propeller scatters service during the summer and powdered fertilizer over a 16-foot fall months may do so by placing area behind the truck. A canopy their orders now with their local has been designed to hang over the Farm Bureau fertilizer dealers.

Importance of Being Farm Bureau Member

By Wesley S. Hawley

Being a Farm Bureau member may be far more im- against Michigan grape growers." portant than members fully realize. When one joins A bill substantially in conformity the Farm Bureau, he becomes a member of the largest acted and has been approved by milk without a permanent home. and most powerful farm organization in the world. In the Governor. the United States and Puerto Rico there are approxi- of Michigan Farm Bureau mem- farm prices for milk. To a great mately 1,500,000 farm families in Farm Bureau. This disappointment in connection with depends upon dairy prosperity. means that there are about 6,000,000 individual mem- the special session was that nothbers, because Farm Bureau is a family affair. In Mich- additional revenue for improve- products naturally would reduce igan we are getting nearer and nearer the 1950 goal of ment and maintenance of county this backlog of milk equivalents. 44,000 farm family memberships. There are over had adopted a detailed resolution in the United States purchase one 41,000 paid memberships now.

This is a great group of people. They are thinking tribution of the new revenue could there would be two billion pounds people. They are forward-looking and progressive be obtained. They had also sup- of milk equivalent consumed. Mulfarmers. Yes, one can be proud of being a member of heavier commercial vehicles. such an organization.

Expect Minor

clines in farmers' production costs

means that most of the reduction in

gross income will show up in net

income, according to Bureau of

probably will come from lower ex-

penditures for labor, fertilizer, and

rents. Wage rates for the year are

expected to average below 1949 and

farmers probably will employ fewer

Most other costs are expected to

be as high or higher than last year.

are expected to cost a little more

than in 1949. They will spend about

charges will be up a little. Fuel

and repairs also will be up .Tax

such as seeds, containers, twine,

irrigation charges, dairy supplies,

workers. Farmers may buy less

The slight decline in total costs

Agr'l Economics.

as well as inspection of dried milk Being a Farm Bureau member powder. Additional duties will be carries with it, responsibilities, if rendering assistance to individual the members are to realize the plants on production and quality maximum of results through the organization. The Farm Bureau. Mid-West Producers' Creameries, made up of farm families, is a liv-Inc. in addition to Michigan, has ing thing. If it is to operate with member creameries located in the the greatest efficiency and results, it means that these members must be lively stones in the great buildstates of Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and ing of Farm Bureau. It is necessary that members become informed about the structure of the organiza-To help lower costs on dairy tion, its purpose, and how it operfarms, Michigan State College agriates. Farm Bureau members, work cultural economists list four major ing together, democratically, can practices: improved forage producaccomplish much in working out tion, more efficient housing, better their social, economic and prowork methods, and more econom

fessional problems. By becoming informed and being active in their local and county groups, Farm Bureau members certainly will have a voice that will be heard in all important places including the legislative halls. What consolation and comfort it fertilizer and prices are down should be to the member while he slightly. is "plowin' and draggin' and cook-in' and bakin' " to know that Stanley Powell, Allan Kline and other Livestock purchased by farmers great leaders are speaking for them in high places whenever the need arises. They speak with the voice the same amount for purchased and power of hundreds and millions feed. Maintenance and depreciation and this voice is heard and re-

Farm Bureau, thus, has become and mortgage-interest payments the most important instrument in will rise. Miscellaneous cost items the modern age of farming. It is therefore, very important that the members be informed and actively participating in the operations of Farm Bureau wherever it exists.

The leaders elected and hired can only carry on successfully through the dictates of the membership. As the members participate, they form the pattern and plans by which the Farm Bureau operates.

Certainly, it is wonderful to be a member of so great an organization as the Farm Bureau. Many working together as citizens for the preservation of the American way of life and for the betterment of a great profession, agriculture, are bound to succeed.

Check Grass Days

Good Herd Management

tices, will help to prevent mastitis. Engineers) standard.

(Continued from Page 1) It is estimated that by the end of the currrent fiscal year, the surplus funds turned over for this

Legislature's Job

Suits Farmers

project will amount to \$248,996.00. These have accumulated from fees paid by feed and fertilizer manufacturers. The individuals and companies which have paid them in are very much pleased with the arrangement which will provide for turning this accumulated surplus over for improved laboratory

legislative appropriation for public required in accordance to \$87,132,345 for the coming year. this unprecedentedly large amount of state aid was retained substan-This act was in conformity with the Farm Bureau's recom- these matters. mendation

Toll Roads. The Farm Bureau has gone on record in opposition to toll roads. A bill to provide for Promote Sale toll roads was introduced during the special session but did not emerge from the committee to which it was referred.

State Fair. With reference to Fair, the Farm Bureau delegates had stated, "Legislation should be enacted permitting the issuance of Mr. Dairy Farmer-this is your long-time leases for the construc- month. This is June and June is tion of buildings and facilities on "Dairy Month." the Fairgrounds." A measure in of the state fairgrounds for not to into high gear during the month be financed by the lessees.

timent in both the Senate and House for legislation in accord-increased demand for our dairy ance with the Farm Bureau's re- goods. commendations. However, Governor Williams had recommended should take exceptional interest an appropriation from the State's in this "all out" program to sell general fund for road purposes. He more milk. He helps pay for this refused to open the door to con- program and he should make it his sideration of any weight or gas tax business to know what is going on. increase. The Senate and House

consideration of such measures, but he refused. Hence, nothing could be accomplished in connec tion with this extremely import-

ant problem. Job Suits Farmers. While some special session was "a do-nothing" makers as judged by the Farm Bu-Public Schools. The mandatory mendations.

session, Senators and Representawith the last sentence of the sales tives heard frequently from Farm tax diversion amendment amounts Bureau units and individual mem-Many county and district This represents an increase of delegations of Farm Bureau leadmore than \$5,000,000 over the ers visited the legislature during current year's figure. The increase the session. One of the more sigis brought about by larger sales nificant groups of Farm Bureau tax collections. The controversial leaders was composed of 51 Farm formula for the distribution of Bureau folks from 39 counties who came in on May 4 to study the needs for veterinary and public tially as for the current fiscal health facilities at M.S.C. and to

This is the month when dairy harmony with this recommendation folks throughout the country make was enacted by the legislature. It special efforts to sell dairy prowill permit leasing of any portion ducts. The dairy industry goes exceed 20 years for the erection of June to increase the consumpof buildings or improvements to tion of dairy products throughout the world. Why June? Have you ever fig

month is designated as Dairy In the first place, dairy farm

There is also another reason.

Remember, there is a "floating European markets have vanished: Highways. From the standpoint the pool is backing up, depressing

Reduce Surpluses-By encourage on this subject. They favored a fourth pound more butter per 5c gas tax provided a proper dis- month than they are now using dairy products and we would no There was very substantial sen- longer have milk surpluses. As a matter of fact, wee would have an

Remember, there are 30 days in passed a resolution requesting the June-30 days for the present and

SUMMER IS MILK

charges have heen made that the you aren't equipped to do a good job of cooling milk or cream or Legislature, the record of the law- your place, it's time to get equipped. Don Murray, extension dairyreau recommendations is certainly man for Michigan State College. not a bad one. Possibly the legis says cooling can he done by any lature should be commended not one of several different methods. alone for what it accomplished but The important thing is to cool the for what it didn't do in regard to milk immediately after milking many radical and expensive recom- and maintain it at a temperature of at last 60 degrees F. and prefer It is certain that throughout the ably below 50 degrees.

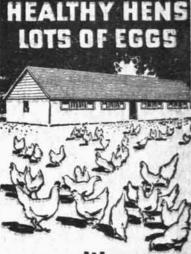
Mr. Murray suggsts that to speed the cooling action with a water bath type cooler, use an agitator to circulate the cold water. Experiments have shown that this type cooler with an agitator will cool milk to at least 50 degrees F. with in one hour.

Forest Fires

Forest fires take an annual tol of millions of board feet of lumber. Do your part by carefully extingcontact their lawmakers regarding uishing all cigarettes and camp

Youth To be 70 years young is some times more cheerful and hopeful than to be 40 years old .- Oliver Wendell Holmes.

future prosperity of the dairy in



flocks, build a concrete poultry house. Concrete has no crevices for lice, mites or other parasites: keeps out rats, weasels and vermin; is easy to keep warm, clean and dry; stops frequent, costly

Write for free booklet, "Improved Poultry Housing with Concrete," showing layouts of poultry, incubator and brooder louses of various types approved by state agricultural colleges.

If you need help, get in touch with your concrete contractor,

ready-mixed concrete producer

thack list, paste on postal and mail for free literature

T Foundations

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Storage Cellars Milk Houses Concrete Making

Farm Bureau members are recognized as leaders in co-operatives,—in community life, and in successful agriculture. The Farm Bureau started the Farm Bureau Feed Department many years ago. Fellow members of yours are on the nine man board of directors of Farm Bureau Services, Inc., of which the Feed Department is a segment. You can help yourself and build your Feed Department stronger by asking your feed dealer for Farm Bureau feeds-Milkmaker 34%-Bureauflex 32%-Porkmakers (35% or 40%)-Mermashes or M.V.P. poultry concentrate-Steer Feed or other Farm Bureau feeds. If you haven't fed Farm Bureau feeds, try them. They are made for you-and feed lot records prove they have no superiors. Just give them an equal chance and they will prove their worth to you.

POULTRY

It looks like better egg prices later on. Take good care of your pullets (or old hens). Give them room enough to be comfortable-plan pasture for them. It will save feed and promote health. Watch for disease—cull out the poorest birds and save feed and room.

Need molasses for grass silage? Our Kandilass is dry and easy to Use. Each pound equals a pound of wet cane molasses. Farm Bureau, Bureau Las earries 25 lbs. cane molasses to each 100 lbs. of feed. It's 30% protein and is fine for mixing with large amounts of corn and oats for pasture feeding. Keep cows' weight up on pasture with liberal feeding of corn and

HOGS

Farm Burau Porkmakers 35% and 40% are fortified with the potent B12 plus the finest assortment of B Complex vitamin. Try them. The 35% for sows and spigs to 75 lbs.-the 40% for animals from 75 lbs. up. Both are made possible through college

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Feed Department

Michigan Wines. The Farm Bureau delegates had adopted a reso- ured out what's really behind this lution reading as follows: "Present program? Why is it that just one Michigan laws relative to the manufacture and sale of wines dis- Month? What is the main reason criminate against Michigan grape for all dairy farmers to take growers. This discrimination de special intereest in the "June is nies to the Michigan growers a Dairy Month" program? chance to compete equitably for the wine grape market in the State ers pay one penny per butter fat and an opportunity for a national pound for advertising and promot market for their wine. We urge ing the sale of dairy products and that appropriate action be taken June is the month that this p to remove all such discrimination gram concentrates its efforts. with that recommendation was en- pool" of seven billion pounds of

bers, unquestionably the greatest extent our prosperity in Michigan ing was accomplished to provide ing more consumption of dairy roads. The Farm Bureau delegates For instance, should every family

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☐ Houses (see above)

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Proso. Plant June 10 to 20, Harvest in September. For hay millet, sow German, Hungarian or

erop in 60 days. Cut before seed forms.

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forder or ensilage. Makes pasture for sheep or hogs.

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early spring pasture

Bureau says that a million gallons of defective fluid is now on the market. This inferior product can cause brake failure at crucial moment. Failure results from excessive seepage, swelling or deteriora-Check with your county agricultion of rubber connections, corretural agent to find the location sion or gumming of parts. Buand date of the nearest Grass Day reau study indicates that 25 per demonstration in your area during cent more auto breakdowns caused by brake failure for inefficient operation of brakes during 1949 than occurred in 1948. Play safe. Make

short-term interest, hardware and the like will be about the same.

The National Better Business

Good herd management, includ- sure that product you use meets ing the use of correct milking prac- S. A. E. (Society of Automobile

Our Responsibility To Rural Youth

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

> By DONALD D. KINSEY Director of Research and Information

Foreword—The present article is one that deals with Information mainly. Yet within it there is a real issue -that of our responsibility for the future of our children on the farm. The topics selected by your State Discussion Topic Committee differ in that some deal with controversial issues, others deal with matters of Farm Bureau problems and policies. This topic is of the latter sort, but the issue in it is one which Farm Bureau people should translate into action.

Our Past Commitments. A resolution has been passed by the delegates to the Michigan Farm Bureau annual convention for the past twelve years stating that the training of rural youth is one of our important jobs. We need the leadership and support of the new genera-challenges of day to day living. tion in agriculture and in the Farm Bureau.

In March, in answer to a question on the topic of the planning and work are applied to month, a majority of our Community Farm Bureaus gave the whole herd. Our Junior Farm hobby to get your mind off your a very emphatic answer-"Yes, we are our children's rural youth the fact that two you've got to live with them; (5) keepers!" We want our young people to stay on the strikes does not make an out- Learn to be satisfied when things farm. We deem it important to the future of agriculture pitcher! and the nation that the most capable farm youths remain faithful to the farming profession.

If we mean this, just how far are we willing to go? projects, or the Rural Youth Talk Have we thought through our responsibilities? What Meets are not done simply as ends kind of program can we develop to make rural living taken with the greater aim of setmore attractive to youth and to develop those character- ting up a difficult and worth while istics of responsibility and leadership that are essential of all obstacles, handleaps, and to strong rural communities in the future?

This is no attack on fun or en-

Educational Theories and Politi-

sent generation. Thousands of

ment to support them at the ex-

This calls for capable adult sup-

The program of our Junior Farm

stride in the direction of becom-

Ideas on Bringing Up Kids, There the youngsters fun and they will have been many ideas on this mat- keep out of mischief! But think! Some folks pay no more at- Is it our aim to raise youth who tention to the educational and so- will refrain from mischief only? they might to a cabbage in the gar- than this? Are we not interested Others think that children that they shall make some definite ought to be properly "reared" at constructive contribution to life? frequent occasions. We have not space to go deeply in this question tertainment. It has its place. But here, but we should consider some how can fun alone train a person facts. One thing is certain. The for a life of solid accomplishment? method used in bringing up our Can play make competent citizens? children should be linked closely Poppycock! The grasshopper fidto the kind of a world which we dled in the summer and starved might expect to build for the fu- in the winter! Play should be a ture. Our children become our na- form of relief and enjoyable re-Do we want a pampered, in- laxation from the labors of a job raise pampered, incompetent chil- recreation to perform miracles!

In a sound democracy we need cal Trends. The above philosophies in the counties. men and women who are strong in have contributed to form the attheir sense of personal responsibilititudes of many people in our prety, who are willing to do their share—and then some, and who people are asking for the governare thoughtfully capable of handling problems of all kinds. They pense of others. Many are conmust be able to do more than arith- cerned only with their own immemetic. They must be able to han- diate and personal gain and not dle social and political problems at all with the future welfare and zations? in the world in which we live. destiny of the nation. Attitudes The Laissez-Faire Method. of dependence, inability to handle Back a century or so ago a French- their own problems, disregard of man by the name of Rousseau the rights of others, and the seekeame out with the doctrine that ing for benefits without relying in our counties? children should be let alone to upon their own creative work are "grow naturally." Still a more common elements in the news of modern psychology, scaring people American citizenry today. We need

with mysterious ideas of "complex-es," has promoted this queer doc-the truth that what they earn is 4. Do we, as a Cor trine further, by saying that chil- what they themselves create dren should not be "frustrated or through their own efforts and ingeinhibited" because this produces nuity. And if they do not earn mental conflicts. There are many it by these efforts the time will children today who have grown up come when they shall find their to be the victims of this doctrine, cup of life to be empty. They grew up physically, but in Some of our more thoughtful their ability to handle responsible young people today are beginning social problems they have remain- to recognize that they cannot spend ed as infants.

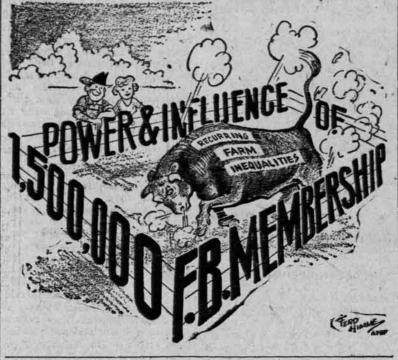
We put our finger on it that cage. time! They have never learned to Our Responsibility. The kind of get along with other people, let a world our children must live in alone learning to be of postive val- is that sort of world which we are John A. Schlinder, of Monroe, Wisue to their communities. They teaching them to build for them- consin on a recent National Farm think that the world owes them a selves. We, as Farm Bureau peo- and Home Hour broadcast. living. They are our spoiled chil- ple, have the responsibility of last twenty-five years.

sak what happened to the old well- people. They include substantial founded truth which recognized teaching and spiritual inspiration that struggling with and conquer- toward the achievement of a sturing one's own problems makes dy and self-competent adulthood. strong men?

(b) Too Much Protection. Some port from the County Farm Buparents and educational institu. reau. tions have gone to the opposite ex- A world of weaklings shall be treme. They, too, have failed in a world of suffering people. We their duty. Fears that children must surmount our difficulties to will go astray have prompted some remain happy. The deepest injury to keep their children tied closely we can do to young people is to to the parental "apron strings." cause them to cherish or nurture All decisions are made for them. youthful levels of inability as Even some otherwise intelligent "good enough." The greatest gift parents have practiced this method we can give them is to train them this "don't you go out of our to face life with a secure faith in dooryard" philosophy. They fail their own spiritual worth and a to realize that children need wean- confident readiness to tackle the ing from complete parental domi- tasks that face them. nation to grow to social effectiveness. The trouble here is that young Bureau must have in it for rural people become really thwarted. youth victories over difficult situ-Parents are sitting on the safety ations. Mistakes will be made. valve, and such children jump the But mistakes are a part of our bounds, rebel, and violate all the learning. The important thing is rules at the first opportunity.

not that we make mistakes. The It must be recognized that a pro- important thing is that we may gram of restrictions is a negative learn to keep on striving in spite program only. Youth needs a posi- of them. The youth that conquers tive program of real-life training his own mistakes by his personal If it is to develop the abilities efforts, rather than by turning for necessary to face real-life situa- help to his elders, has made a big

(c) Recreation and Entertain- ing a man. Whenever youth in a com- It is not merely the temporary munity get out of hand today, success of this day and hour that many of our adult leaders seek a can sustain a man for life. Solisolution in entertainment. Give dity of character calls for continued A CORRAL FOR THE BULL ...



striving in the face of the repeated | sickness," are as follows: This year's prize calf does not in- your human motor-don't be ansure next year's prize herd, unless alyzing your feelings and looking the same principles of careful for trouble; (2) Learn to like work Bureau must help to ingrain in job; (4) Learn to like people-

The tackling of tough assignduring the war, the Fair Cafeteria decision. in themselves. They are underjob and see it through in the face problems that stand in the way of success. The main aim is to put strength of purpose and action into the lives of our young people, and to teach them to work in cooperation and harmony at tasks every sense of the word.

Bureaus fail to assimilate these be made of the training for leader- Building. ship and adult responsibility gained through these experiences.

the farm should make farm youth a real part of the farm business. competent nation? Then we should well done. But let us not expect Our County Farm Bureaus should also make the Juniors a part of the real business of Farm Bureau

Should we leave it for other agencies to develop training pro- reau Federation and a number of grams for our youth? Is that a re- state cooperative farm supply pursponsible attitude on our part?

Questions for Developing Community Farm Bureau Conclusions: in sponsoring rural youth organi-

2. Should young people be enphases of Farm Bureau programs

3. How can we, as a Community Farm Bureau, help to develop gram, will supply a number of a more effective program for our

4. Do we, as a Community Farm Bureau, have a responsibility toward the young farm family to in- and W. M. Beeson. vite them to participate in our activities? Have we done it?

their lives around the monkey

'worry sickness" as outlined by Dr.

Dr. Schlinder estimated that 50 dren. The above two historical leading and inspiring them to per cent of the people who comdoctrines, practiced in schools and create a world that is firmly found-plain of illness are suffering from homes, have been the foundation ed in the strongest elements of hu- psychosomatic illness, brought on of the pampering methods of the man character. The aims of our by "CDT-cares, difficulties and Junior Farm Bureau include more troubles." His eight-points, termed A person is almost compelled to than enjoyable meetings for young the "key to the cure of worry

(1) Quit looking for a knock in -you've got to do it; (3) Get a

whether you are a batter or the can't be changed; (6) Learn to accept adversity; (7) Learn to say the cheerful thing, never the ments, such as the earning of mean, spiteful thing, and (8) money for a Red Cross ambulance Learn to meet your problems with

AFBF Research Conference Set

The American Farm Research Association Conference, which ancial needs of their children than Or do we want them to do more that require adult maturity in nually attracts about 400 persons, some from great distances, will be Finally, the whole point and held June 8 through 10 at Purdue purpose of Junior Farm Bureau University, LaFayette, Indiana. will be missed if our County Farm | The Indiana Farm Bureau and its cooperative association are hosts to young people into their programs. the event this year. All sessions The best constructive use should will be held in the Memorial Union

The program, as announced by Dr. George D. Scarseth, director Father and son agreements on of research of the association, will include study by lecture and discussion of many of the more important phases of agriculture re

The American Farm Research Association was founded in 1944 jointly by the American Farm Bu chasing organizations. Its pur pose is to supplement and extend work of agricultural extension ser-1. Who should take the initiative vices by shortening the gap between discoveries and their translation into action for the farmers' benefit.

and carrying through specific field of agriculture have been scheduled to lecture during the conference. Purdue University, which is cooperating in the prospeakers, including President Frederick L. Hovde, Norman J. Volk, John B. Peterson, LeRoy E. Hoffman. George H. Enfield, G. O. Mott,

Dairy production, poultry feeding, soil conservation, plant food needs, nutrition, green land for abundance, and other such topics promise to make the 3 days educationally fruitful. There will also be time for fun, special entertainment features having been included in the program that is planned.

All sessions will be open to persons interested in agricultural research, Reservations for persons coming from a distance should be made in advance at the Purdue Memorial Union Building, Reservation Desk, West Lafayette, Indiana; at Cedar Crest Hotel, same city; or the Fowler or Lahr hotels in Lafayette.

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"Your Vote is Your Voice— Let it Be Heard"

Above is the American Farm Bureau's selection as the best slogan for getting out the rural vote in elections. It was secured as the result of a nationwide contest among Farm Bureau members.

Clair Campbell, a member of the Kansas Farm Bureau, submitted the winning idea. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell and their seven children wrote many slogans before the family agreed on the one the father submitted. Mr. Campbell has served on the local election board for many years. The family operates a 920 acre farm at Miltonville, Cloud county, Kansas.

The suggestion for a national contest for a get out the vote slogan came from the experience in Michigan. For many years the Michigan Farm Bureau and County Farm Bureaus have conducted successful campaigns to get out the rural vote.

up a lending agency to "make 90% of the U. S. farms without it. Today 8 out of 10 of all farms are electricity-more all the Cooperatives borrowing funds from the government, did a big part of the job.

These 976 rural electric co-ops, olus some other scattered REA borrowers, have put nearly a million niles of power lines into operation, serving more than three million rural consumers. New consumers are being added at the rate of every 15 seconds. Last year the co-ops connected 77% of all farms electrified. But there still is a big job to get service to the million farms and hundreds of thousands of other rural places still without

farm people do. REA has lent to the co-ops and others nearly \$2 billion to get the power job done. and nearly \$360 million more in loan applications are on hand. The co-ops have paid off their loans on schedule-in fact, more than \$20 million in advance payments have been made. The co-ops bill their payments on the REA loan. As the loan is paid off, members are credited with their proportionate equity in the system. When the debt is paid off entirely within the 35-year amortization period, the members will own their power facilities outright.

Electrification has worked tremendous changes in rural life. It s estimated that for every dollar invested in rural power facilities, the farmer invests an additional \$4.50 for wiring, plumbing and electrical equipment.

So this job of co-op-government partnership is a big boost for all the nation's business-and a mighty good investment of the

Co-op Marketing A Two-Way Proposition

10 years. It will continue to grow and develop and render even greater service to the producers as long as the producers interest themwork" by getting electricity to the selves in their own welfare through the co-operative. It is impossible for individual farmers to gain the advantages of large volume except in cases where they join together with their neighbors in making

members may now receive a bound copy of material on the duties and responsibilities of the County Committee on Junior Farm Bureau. The booklet was started at the Junior Farm Bureau section of the The government doesn't own Farm Bureau Institute, held last nor operate the REA lines—the February and has grown to a vol-

The first section of the Manual describes the work of the County Committee on Junior Farm Bufollowing sections contain material on the Junior Farm Bureau calendar, projects and objectives of the their soil. the cost of service plus regular Junior Farm Bureau. Other sections include material on the Youth Who Dare contest, the Sports Festival, and guide sheets and suggestions to the Committee. Copies of the book may be obtained by writing Ben Hennink, Michigan Farm Bureau, 221 N. Cedar Street, Lansing 4, Michigan.

Blue Cross Service In Lapeer County Lapeer County Farm Bureau may

be the leader for Blue Cross hospital service. Todd Community FB group is the 17th to offer the protection to members.

only 87 tillable acres.

Secretary Tells What He Thinks Grass, Legumes

Dep't of Agriculture told 8,000 farmers at St. Paul April 4 what he thought would be the over-all results from his plan to let farm prices fall on perishables and maintain farm income through production payments or subsidies. Sec'y Brannan declared for his plan

1. It would protect farm income and help head off a disastrous de-

2. That it would extend supports to the livestock industries including beef cattle, dairy and poultry products and hogs, representing more than half of agriculture's cash

3. That is would stimulate consumption of these products by allowing prices to go free in the markets

4. That it would thus encourage the feeding up of grain surpluses. 5. That it would discourage cor poration farming by denying subsidies to the 2 per cent of farms that are very large.

6. That it would encourage soil conservation by denying payments to farmers refusing to safeguard

7. That it would solve as nearly as they can be solved the present

potato and egg situations.

The newspapers noted that Sec'y Brannan answered some opposing arguments by AFBF President Allan Kline, but didn't reply to the Kline argument that agriculture can't afford to risk dependence for income on annual appropriations by Congress. Sec'y Brannan objects to the

present system of flexible price supports, favored by the Farm Bureau. As supplies pile up, price supports are lowered. If flexible supports are wrong, Sec'y Brannan didn't explain why his department has chosen to use that system to The average American farm has get itself and farmers out of difficulties now by flexing price

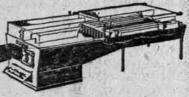
AMERICA'S MOST

Improve Soil The Michigan Cooperative Extension Service is sponsoring Grass Days for the third straight year because there are many good reasons why more grass and legumes crops should be grown on Michigan

Ed Longnecker, MSC extension soils specialist, gives as one of the big reasons the fact that grass and legumes increase the productivity of soil. He likes to think of legumes and grasses, with the clover or alfalfa predominating, as necessary forerunners to all row crops. Plowing down these grass and legume crops is particularly good before planting corn, beans, and potatoes. Experimental results at the college show profitable increases in yields from this practice.

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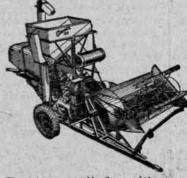
Full-floating auger-type header eliminates troublesome canvasses . . . salvages grain that is down and tangled. Electric-welded bridge-type frame is extra rigid and durable. Heavy-duty 60 h.p. Chrysler industrial engine powers both the 10 and 12-ft. models.

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Gleaner 6ft. Combine



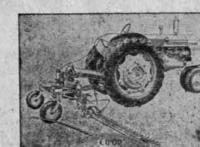
The original auger type combine. It's the only full - jeweled combine; every bearing a roller or ball. The direct feed from auger to cylinder affords a uniform forced feed at all times. Has over 100 feet of separating length.

Rasp type cylinder with removable cylinder housing bottom. The beater is located behind the cylinder. Independent v-type air-cooled engine. Handles all crops efficiently. Easily adjusted for all conditions. Built for years of trouble-free faithful service.

CONCAVE adjusts quickly, saves grain. 8-BAR RASP CYLINDER adjustable for special

LARGE GRAIN TANK saves time in field. KNIFE operates with 6-inch stroke. 10. CONTROLLED BLAST FAN adjustable for air intake and velocity.

Co-op E-3 with Mower



The efficiency of Co-op E-3 Tractors is known by hundreds of farmers who own them. The Co-op Mower is efficient, too. Before you get started on that first cutting of hay,

ask your Co-op implement man for a demonstration of the Co-op Mower. It offers: (1) speed of operation, (2) ease of control, (3) strength of construction, (4) economical maintenance, and (5) power lift. The Co-op Mower will do a thorough job regardless of the kind of hay you cut.

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Every CO-OP implement you purchase will be properly assembled, adjusted and delivered to your farm ready to work. Our Co-op and Gleaner combines will receive final adjustments in your field by our mechanics. Tractors are carefully checked at 100 hours of operation to assure you satisfactory and continued service. Our master parts stock at Lansing together with qualified mechanics' guarantee you prompt, efficient service.

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