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Brannan Plan Backwards?

Time magazine in reporting White House instructions to various agencies of the government in connection with the Korean war said July 31:

"Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannan was busy looking for a way to spell Brannan plan backwards. After two years of campaigning to give farmers permanent high incomes, he was under White House orders to work out a scheme for keeping food prices from going any higher."

This calls to mind that Secretary Brannan is scheduled to explain the Brannan plan at an open meeting of Michigan farmers at Michigan State College Auditorium Tuesday, August 22, at 1:30 p. m.

Last winter some 300 farmers from various parts of the state met at Adrian for a discussion of the Brannan plan. A committee from this meeting invited Secretary Brannan to come and explain his program.

High Analysis Saves \$4.27 Per Ton

A decision to use high analysis fertilizer on wheat this fall will save money in important amounts.

There are cash and labor saving advantages in using one ton of a high analysis fertilizer like Farm Bureau 3-18-9 instead of 1½ tons of the old 2-12-6 to get the same amount of plant food. Consider these figures:

	Pounds of Plant Food	Cash Price
1½ Tons 2-12-6	600	\$56.22
1 Ton 3-18-9	600	\$51.95

Cash Savings with Farm Bureau 3-18-9 \$ 4.27

Not only is there a substantial cash savings, but with the higher analysis 3-18-9 there is one-third less weight to handle.

Consider 25 acres to be fertilized. If one were to apply 400 lbs. of 2-12-6 per acre, it would take 5 tons. But 266 lbs. of 3-18-9 will apply the same amount of plant food, and there's only 3½ tons to handle. The cash savings on the job would amount to \$17.05.

Farm Bureau Services is providing savings for farmer-patrons by manufacturing at its fertilizer plant at Saginaw a line of high analysis fertilizers for wheat, such as 3-18-9, 4-16-16, and 0-20-20.

So far the Korean war has not interfered with plentiful supplies of nitrogen, phosphate and potash. That situation could change.

Railroad transportation is important in moving fertilizer materials to the plant. The railroads now find themselves in need of about 11,000 additional box cars.

There will be a big demand for fertilizer this fall. It would seem good business judgment to order and take delivery of fertilizer as soon as possible.

Comments on Farm Price Support

The National Apple Institute said at Boston recently that it does not care to have government price support extended to apples. The president said that the apple industry prefers to continue to expand the market for apples by its own efforts.

California potato growers and Maryland commercial producers of broilers have said that they would rather pass up the price support program. They object to production and marketing quotas. They said they believe they can do all right through efficient production, aggressive marketing, and the opening of new markets.

Headlights and Accidents

It has been determined that a person driving over any highway at night is three times as likely to be involved in an accident as in the day time.

The glare of oncoming headlights is the cause of thousands of night time driving accidents. Police, safety agencies and insurance organizations say that the total number of persons injured, and the number killed in such accidents every year is appalling.

The search for glare-proof automobile headlights that will produce safe and satisfactory road lighting has extended over many years. Use of polarized glass has been suggested. Extensive investigation has indicated that glare could be eliminated if all motor vehicles were equipped with polarized glass in headlights and windshields.

The first major difficulty, says the U. S. Bureau (Continued on page 2)

Growers Study Michigan "Quality First" Program



The unique program of Michigan Celery Shippers to show growers how their best celery properly graded, sized, and packed will bring more money than will all their celery poorly graded, poorly sized and poorly packed has gained the attention and interest of the entire fresh fruit and vegetable industry.

Here two Ottawa County Farm Bureau members are shown the fine points of celery grading and packing at a packing "clinic" held at Zeeland, Michigan. The "clinic" was held for the celery growers by the Michigan "Quality First" Program. Kneeling in the foreground is Arthur Davis, fresh fruit and vegetable shipping specialist from Auburndale, Florida; M. U. VanKirk, federal USDA supervisor of federal-state inspection work in Michigan; celery growers, Harvey Elenbaas and Melvin Gerrits, both of Hudsonville, Michigan; and Bob DeBruyn, Zeeland shipper and merchant.

AFBF Opposes Move to Cripple Farm Program

Last week both the Senate and House banking committees sped through hearings on the Defense Production Bill, S-3936 and HR-9176, in an effort to speedily bring the measures to the floors of both houses.

President Allan B. Kline of the American Farm Bureau Federation, appeared as a witness before the Senate committee. Recognizing the need for prompt action in the face of the crisis brought on by the Korean outbreak, Mr. Kline confined his testimony to AFBF's opposition to a phase of the proposed Bill (Section 412) which would drastically and dangerously change the Commodity Credit Corporation sales policies on government-owned farm commodities.

This proposal, Mr. Kline said, would open the way for dissipation of the nation's stockpile of farm commodities which "we are now fortunate to have" and would make possible the placing of price ceilings on agricultural commodities at support-price levels.

Mr. Kline pointed out that while the proposal would use the Government's stocks of farm commodities to place ceilings on farm prices, other prices and wages would have no such ceilings. He also emphasized that under the Section 412 proposal protection against scarcity and resultant high prices and controls would be taken away from consumers if food stockpiles were depleted.

Under the present price support legislation stored CCC commodities may not be sold for less than 105% of parity in order to maintain parity at parity level. Under the proposed Section 412 the Government would be given authority to throw CCC stocks of surplus commodities on the market at market price or below it as a means of keeping food prices from going up as well as to dispose of the surpluses. Section 412 would virtually make a price control device out of a price support program.

Mr. Kline suggested that instead of placing major emphasis upon how to speed up the movement of existing reserves of food and fiber into consumption channels, it would seem more sound to give immediate attention to those factors which would enable the farmer to continue to produce the increasing food requirements that are likely to be needed in the mobilization effort.

The independence of American farmers is the strength of democracy.—Arizona Farmer

ARENAC COUNTY FARM BUREAU

The newly organized Arenac County Farm Bureau has a membership of 52 families. There are now 61 County Farm Bureaus in the Michigan Farm Bureau organization. Arenac's board of directors: President, Wilford Pressler, Au Gres; vice-president, Ray Simmons, Twining; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Ruby Simmons, Twining; directors: Fred Mosceski, Standish; Harry Bowen, Twining; Louis Brazon, Standish; Frank Kus, Omer; Lloyd Johnson, Au Gres. The annual meeting will be held in October.

JRS. GET READY FOR CONVENTION

The Junior Farm Bureau short course on wheels to the National Rural Youth convention in Dallas, Texas will cost each member a total of approximately \$100.00, according to Coralene Vesterfelt, publicity chairman of the Michigan Junior Farm Bureau.

A motor coach transport company has agreed that they will take JFB members to Dallas, Texas and back again for approximately \$40.00 per person.

Members all around the state are working for points and saving

MFB Urges Agr'l Representation On Draft Boards

Steps to bring about the most intelligent consideration of manpower requirements of agriculture with regard to deferment from military service of farm workers were expressed by the Board of Directors of the Michigan Farm Bureau at their regular meeting at Lansing on August 1.

In their deliberations the Farm Bureau Directors made it clear that they would by no means favor a blanket deferment of agricultural workers. In fact, keen resentment was expressed against isolated instances in which a man of means may have purchased and equipped a farm in order to enable his son to escape active military service. It was felt that such young men would obviously lack the necessary experience and skills to be productive farmers. They also considered farms that are well staffed and could spare the services of one or more of their workers without seriously curtailing their productive operations. Yet, in other instances, the taking of a key agricultural worker might make it impossible to operate the farm on an efficient basis.

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their money for this enjoyable and educational trip.

One Week Membership Roll Call For All Counties to Start Dec. 4

17,000 Have Farm Bureau Auto Insurance

A little more than 17,000 Farm Bureau members now have automobiles and trucks insured in the Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company of Michigan, according to Nile Vermillion, general manager of the Company.

The Company started business 15 months ago and has averaged a net gain of more than 1,000 policies a month. Experience on losses is good, Mr. Vermillion said, and bears out the belief that Farm Bureau members are good insurance risks. The Company's rate of earnings is good and its financial position is excellent.

Premium rates have been reduced recently on several types of automobile insurance coverage. This, said Mr. Vermillion, is in line with company policy to effect all possible savings to members. Policyholders are receiving notice of the reductions as their insurance is renewed.

Reductions in rates have been made on collision and comprehensive (fire, theft, etc.) on all vehicles two years of age and over; on bodily injury and property damage rates for house trailers; all coverages on farm pick-up trucks; collision and comprehensive rates on semi-commercial farm trucks; bodily injury and property damage rates on trailers and semi-trailers.

About June 1 the state offices of the insurance company were moved to larger and better suited quarters at 424 North Grand avenue, Lansing. The agency force has grown to 110.

Underwriting or policy preparation department of Farm Bureau Mutual is in charge of Ivan Allison, formerly agent at Parma, Jackson county.

Accounting department is in charge of R. P. Zemke, formerly of Caro, Tuscola county. Mr. Zemke came to Farm Bureau Mutual from an eastern public accounting firm.

Agency department is directed by Francis Bust, formerly of Charlotte, Eaton county, and former district membership representative for the Michigan Farm Bureau.

Claims department is in charge of Ray Levy, formerly head of the claims department of the North Dakota Farm Bureau Insurance Company.

More than 300 Farm Bureau members have taken the comprehensive farm and personal activities insurance policy which was offered by the Company this spring.

JRS. TO MANAGE CONCESSION AT STATE FAIR

For the past two weeks, he has been very busy on planning where to buy his juice and in making arrangements for the building of the stands to be used at the fair.

Junior Farm Bureau members, who would like to spend a day or two working at the juice stands, should contact the state office and leave their name and address.

Members of the Michigan Junior Farm Bureau will run an apple juice concession at the State Fair in Detroit, Sept. 1-10.

Howard Sandborn has been secured by the concession committee to act as manager of the project.

Representatives of 59 Counties Agree on Membership Campaigns Same Week; State Goal 46,150 Families

The week of December 4 is to be Membership Roll Call Week for 62 County Farm Bureaus. They have set the state goal for 1951 as 46,150 family memberships in the Michigan Farm Bureau.

The decisions were made by County Farm Bureau membership committees in 10 Farm Bureau district meetings July 10 to 25. Fifty-nine of 62 County Farm Bureaus were represented at these meetings.

At each district meeting the County Farm Bureaus caucused to make county recommendations for the state goal. The average of such recommendations became the district recommendation. The average of the district recommendations made the state goal of 46,150.

After a full discussion of the Roll Call campaign procedure the counties gave their choice for the date of the one week campaign by secret ballot. The ballots were not opened until after the last district meeting. Thirty-nine of the 59 counties voted for December 4 as the opening day of the one week Roll Call for 1951.

Wesley S. Hawley, director of membership acquisition for the Michigan Farm Bureau, said that the membership for 1950 is 41,693. This is a net gain of 5,000 members over 1949. Nearly all of the old membership enrolled again, and 7,529 joined for the first time.

The 1950 one week Roll Call demonstrated how much can be done in a short time. In spite of a storm that tied up traffic on side roads for most of a week, the several thousand volunteer workers enrolled 24,000 members in four days, the largest number ever enrolled in that time in Michigan.

Several County Farm Bureaus enrolled over a thousand members and nearly made their goal in that time: Branch 1150, Berrien 1235, Allegan 1230, Saginaw 1252 among the leaders.

Counties that made the best records for membership were those that followed a proven plan for building Farm Bureau membership. It has been effective in all states. In Michigan the past two years County Farm Bureaus that have followed the plan completely have made their goal or came close to it. Counties that had weaknesses in developing the plan averaged 70% of their goal. Twenty-two leaders with the plan had 22,555 members April 1, 1950, while 22 comparable counties having less campaign organization had 13,229.

The proven plan, said Mr. Hawley, includes a time table for getting things done, from the setting of the goal and date to the selection and training of volunteer workers and the development of the publicity program to promote the campaign.

Farm Bureau To Sponsor "Get Out Rural Vote"

By MRS. MARJORIE KARKER

Representatives from 57 County Farm Bureaus met together recently in a series of district meetings to plan county campaigns to "Get Out the Rural Vote" at the fall elections.

The suggested plan was the setting up of "Get Out the Rural Vote" Committees by the Community Farm Bureaus under the direction of the county committee. Here are some suggestions that were made:

1. Concerted drive in each locality to see that every eligible voter is registered.
2. Preparing a brochure on the candidates who will be on the ballot listing the qualifications and experience of the candidates.
3. Instruct voters in how to prepare their ballot.
4. Community Groups study the issues at stake in the November 7 election.
5. Provide transportation for those unable to get to the polls along with a telephone campaign to remind people that it is election day.
6. A nursery service at the polls might be arranged, or a baby-sitter might be taken to the home so that the mother could vote.
7. In many localities it is customary for meals to be served in the Township Hall, at a church, or at some public place nearby the polls on election day.
8. Survey the community to learn what voters would need absentee ballots and get this material to these persons.

In discussing this campaign it was brought out that the Farm Bureau should never take the position of telling a person how to vote, but

Development of the proven plan for the 1951 Roll Call will be handled by all County Farm Bureaus in about this order, said Mr. Hawley:

1. Set goal and date for Roll Call.
2. Name County Roll Call campaign manager. Many have been engaged.
3. Name county publicity chairman and committee and start work.
4. Roll Call manager names his staff of quarter-men, one to lead each four townships.
5. Selection of captains or township leaders.
6. Selection of Farm Bureau men and women to serve as volunteer membership workers.
7. Training program for workers starts in September.
8. Schools for membership workers, and development of Roll Call campaign organization, and publicity, continues through October and November in accordance with the time table and Farm Membership Training Bulletin.

Dexter Co-operative's New Elevator

Dexter Co-operative Elevator of Washtenaw county is building a new mill and elevator to replace facilities destroyed by fire. The new building is 34 by 118 feet, with seven silos.

Get the facts on the importance of the yellow oleo referendum and then urge everyone to vote "No" on this question November 7.

that the entire campaign should be worked out on a non-partisan basis, and that the Farm Bureau's interest in getting out the rural vote was to assist in making Democracy work inasmuch as the job of voting is the only job that many people are asked to do in their lifetime as far as carrying out the actual workings of a Democracy.

The Michigan Farm Bureau will be willing to assist any county or community "Get Out the Rural Vote" Committee wherever possible.

Baker's Best Is Made With Butter



The best cakes are made with butter, which is the only shortening used in our butter cakes, says William Muller (left) Grand Rapids baking company executive. Mr. Muller, Miss Ola Belle Steckly of Imlay City, Michigan's Dairy Queen, and Charles Stone of the American Dairy Ass'n of Michigan are shown with a giant butter cake Mr. Muller presented to the National Cherry Festival at Traverse City.

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Marthy on Company

I've always been the sort to keep my housework up to date. But as the years roll on it seems I've slipped a bit. In wintertime I try to keep a neat and tidy place.

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of Standards, is that the dark colored headlights would require increasing the candle power of the headlights several times. When this is done, a dangerous situation would be created in cases where drivers with present equipment were caught in the intensified light beam without the protection of a polarized windshield.

Irrigation Water and Disease

Whether contaminated irrigation water can carry disease organisms to vegetables irrigated with polluted water is the subject of much research at the Michigan Agricultural Experiment Station, East Lansing.

Purchasing Power of Dollars

The question of what the purchasing power of dollars will be that come back to people when their bonds mature is a frequent one. Reno Odlin, president of the Puget Sound National Bank of Tacoma, made this answer for U. S. war bonds and savings bonds at a recent conference of state banking association representatives:

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Classified Ads

- Female Help: CALL ON FRIENDS with sensational Christmas cards in handy assortment. Sell for \$1.00. Profit up to 50 cents.

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month in advance to insure your having them for your September meeting so that we may get your new officers and add them to our mailing list as soon as possible.

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lots of grass and does an excellent job of soil management on this rolling farm. He has outstanding dairy and swine enterprises. He operates the farm as a father-son partnership with his Dad, Farm management specialist Elwood, county agent Henry, and others from the college will interview the Crandalls.

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Department Card, and county agent Kardel will interview the Ballards. Noon Program Features: 12:30 Noon—Chicken barbecue at the Ballard farm, with half chicken servings barbecued over hot charcoal to be handled by Bonf Miller and Henry Wilt of the college. Luncheon will be followed by a 30-minute talk, "European recovery and us," by Dr. Arthur Mauch, a member of the Flying Classroom tour of Europe. Barbecue tickets available from Hans Kärkel, county agricultural agent, Charlotte, fee \$1.10 per person.

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ARTHUR MAUCH

7:00 p.m.—Tour banquet to be held under canvas at Kellogg's Programs to feature short talks on "The Milk Marketing Picture," by Quakenbush, college marketing specialist, "How a Farm Manager Sees It," by McCrary, farm manager of the Kellogg station, and "What the Economist See Ahead," by Varner, college extension economist.

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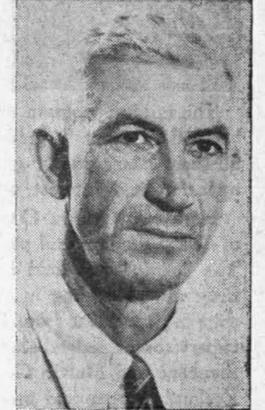
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C. M. MCCRARY

County agr'l agents, Burrell Henry of Marshall, Calhoun county, and Hans Kärkel of Charlotte, Eaton county, are working with MSC agr'l economics and other county extension specialists in arranging the tour and program. Farmers are invited to attend. They should make reservations now for the banquet August 17 (\$1.50), for the chicken barbecue Aug. 18 (\$1.10), and for the night's lodging Aug. 17 if needed. See banquet and barbecue information. The tour starts Thursday afternoon, as follows:

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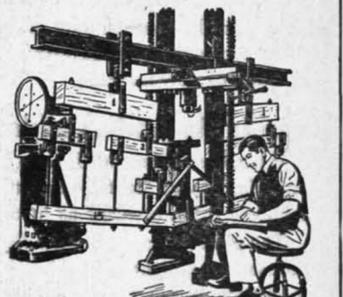
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Rural Tele-news



ON DUTY WITH DIAL—Even in dial exchanges it still takes telephone people to give you good telephone service. There's the operator who helps you if you have difficulty making calls. There's the operator who gives you numbers not listed in the directory. And there's the operator who handles your long distance calls. Whether your service is dial or manual, these operators are always ready to serve you.

STRONG ARMS FOR TELEPHONE POLES—Ever stop to think how much extra weight an ice storm can add to telephone wires? Cross-arms on telephone poles must be strong enough to stand up under the strain. Here you see a Bell Laboratories hydraulic testing machine bending a crossarm to the breaking point. Southern pine and Douglas fir crossarms can carry nearly 2 tons weight.



HANDY HUNTING GROUND—It's easy to locate a doctor, veterinarian, farm equipment dealer, feed and grain supplier, or any of the countless other people you need to call at one time or another. They're listed by trade or profession in the Yellow Pages of your telephone directory. Make a habit of using the Yellow Pages and see how much time and effort it saves you day-in and day-out all year round.



MICHIGAN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY

Alfalfa and Brome Grass Produce More Milk and Meat

Summer Seedings Made in August

Alfalfa and smooth brome grass, grown on well drained upland soils, will produce more meat and milk than any mixture of legumes or grasses grown in Barry county, said Kendall A. Coats, member of the Barry County U. S. Dep't of Agriculture Council, in the Hastings Banner in July.

(Editor's note: What Mr. Coats says about alfalfa and brome grass for Barry county applies to all counties of the lower peninsula of Michigan.)

Whether it is grassland farming or a cash crop program, said Mr. Coats, alfalfa-brome grass is one of the best crops around which to build a sound, soil-conserving crop rotation.

Alfalfa is a deep rooted legume and smooth brome grass is a heavy producing, drought resistant grass. In combination they produce high quality hay or pasture from mid-May to early September. Only precaution is not to cut or closely graze alfalfa in September when the plant is building root reserves to withstand winter freezing.

The first step in establishing this mixture is a soil test. On acid soil, apply two to three tons of ground limestone. Prepare a firm, clean seed bed and seed 6 to 8 pounds of northern grown alfalfa and 2 to 3 pounds of smooth brome grass per acre.

Seed at or near the surface with the drill dropping the seed back of the drill. Cover the seed with a cultipacker.

The application of 300 to 600 pounds of recommended analysis of fertilizer at seeding time will do much to insure a good seeding and a productive crop.

Seedings may be made in the spring with small grains. If the soil is light and tends to dry out, seed alone in June. Late summer seedings may be made in mid-August.

Alfalfa and brome grass harvested at the 1-10th to one-half bloom stage and properly cured to prevent the loss of leaves produces a high yielding, high quality hay.

Excellent grass silage can be made from one-quarter bloom alfalfa wilted to 65 to 70 per cent moisture. This is becoming an increasingly popular practice.

Alfalfa and brome grass is now grown extensively, but its high value as a hay, silage, or pasture crop justifies even greater use.

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Late Shipment Makes Fertilizer Short for Fall

Despite the recent lessons learned from late buying of fertilizer supplies for the 1950 spring planting season, many farmers are again hesitant in securing their fall requirements prior to the season of actual use. Time after time farmers, who have been reluctant in buying their needs in advance, have been caught short when situations arose that made it impossible to supply the demand.

A bottleneck in filling fertilizer shipments appears to be developing if the present ordering trend is to be considered as an indication. Most farmers are now wanting shipment of Farm Bureau fall fertilizers between August 15 and September 15, which places a demand upon shipping facilities that cannot be met. Orders to date for Farm Bureau fall fertilizers for delivery during this one month period are almost double the shipping capacity of 7,000 tons. This will mean that there will be many disappointments and much dissatisfaction for everyone concerned unless they take immediate steps to correct the situation.

Farm Bureau Services, Inc. is doing everything within its power to relieve the serious situation. Extra help has been placed at the fertilizer plant at Saginaw. They will be shipping 24 hours a day, but this will not solve the problem as the limitation in space and time is not sufficient to provide mixing and curing of enough fertilizer to meet the demands.

The only alternative is to extend the shipping season. With this in mind and in order to give everyone an opportunity to get their full share of Farm Bureau high analysis fertilizer, Farm Bureau Services' fertilizer department has set up a shipping allocation over a two-month period beginning August 1. This two-month period is broken down into four quarters and every Farm Bureau dealer is expected to take shipment on 25% of his fall fertilizer requirements in each quarter.

The final solution to the problem, however, remains with the farmer himself. If every farmer would receive delivery of a portion of his requirements prior to his needs, the problem would be solved.

Be sure to vote "No" on Proposal 3 which would legalize manufacture and sale of yellow oleo in Michigan.

More Co-operation Needed In This Changing World

By MRS. EDITH M. WAGAR
Briar Hill Farm
Carleton, Michigan

How often we have been told that we live in a changing world, but never has it come to us so vividly as in the past few weeks.

We have been all so eager to put aside any thought of war with its heartaches, disappointments and hardships that we would only allow ourselves to think our hopes for peace would rapidly come to pass—perhaps not right away, but when the rough spots of the last war were smoothed down.

This war was too recent for us to feel we'd have another even for many years to come, and we all hoped never.

How hopeless and helpless we began to feel when we realized our country was actually in the midst of something, while not as yet termed war, but so closely related to it that no other name seems fitting.

Everybody appears jittery; they say and do things that they wouldn't if affairs of the day were more normal. Nobody knows how to plan other than from day to day. They see no future for themselves or their families while the clouds of war hang so closely over their heads. They hear over the radio and read in the papers reports of reverses and calls for troops and money in amounts that stagger them.

We must shake ourselves out of this state of lethargy and rise to the true situation and do our part to see it through. And come what will, I pray we will continue until the job is finished for all time.

Our country has had a leading part in two world wars in less than 35 years, but we must have left the latch string out for our opponents have renewed their efforts against us repeatedly.

We may wish we were back to the "good old days" when the United States was a country by itself, tending to its own business and letting others tend to theirs. We enjoyed ourselves in the way of the times. Our own country at that time seemed like a vast expanse to most of us, for only a small percentage of our populace had traveled into other states and it was a rare occasion that anyone made a trip abroad. The great majority were home bound and contented to spend their entire life on the spot they called home. Not only was America one of the new countries of the world, but it was one that developed rapidly and, being a democracy, its most humble citizen was encouraged to share its progression.

When the automobile became a reality, it was something intended for everyone to enjoy and to own. Some feel it has been detrimental to thrift and home ownership and self support, but it certainly brought about great changes in American life; most of the times for the better, but not so good for a few.

Then came the airplane that made it possible to get about so rapidly that the world itself is now bigger than a state was a century ago, and the number of air travelers is increasing so fast that it seems like everyone has become world minded in the last decade through personal experience in foreign lands, until we can truly say we now have the One World Mr. Wilkie so desired.

In planning for the One World, America has hoped our democracy would be better understood by the people of other countries. We all know what freedom our nation has enjoyed and our hope is that at least a degree of like freedom might be acquired by those in other parts of the universe.

We have always hoped these changes might come about through example rather than through force. But we certainly cannot accomplish our hope until we can show a united nation among ourselves. Much of the unrest and unstable attitude about us can be attributed to the quarrels and bickerings among unscrupulous party politicians within our national and state capitals. If public officials would only confine their interests to the things that are right or wrong for our country rather than those they thought for the good or bad of their political party, the entire world would profit by it. I certainly feel that the recent spanking Senator Margaret Chase Smith of Maine administered to her colleagues in both parties was to the point and certainly deserved. My hope is that now they can cease their reckless stone throwing and get down to business and care for their country before it is too late.

Some of our folks are right now in Korea fighting the spread of communism. That's a country where a communist is out in the open ready to be counted. Not so here.

In the August 1 issue of Look magazine are the F.B.I. figures for our own country, some 54,174 in all. I note there's but 1 in Mississippi, but 25,000 in New York, 6 in Kansas, 1,250 in Michigan and thousands in other states and also 210 in the city of Washington. I was surprised in the last figure for from the reports we had all reason to believe many more than that

MFB Urges Agr'l Representation

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After careful consideration, the Michigan Farm Bureau board adopted the following statement as representing their conclusions on this very important and timely issue: "World events indicate that our Nation may soon be on an all-out war basis. We may be required to rally all of our forces, human and material, to resist the onslaughts of barbaric aggression wherever liberty is assailed. Such developments would necessitate the wisest possible use of available manpower to carry on all phases of our productive economy. Selective service boards will obviously play an increasingly important role in this period of mobilization.

In view of the basic importance of agriculture in the production of food and fiber for our civilians and for our military forces and for foreign relief purposes, it is vital that all draft and appeal boards should have a practical understanding of agricultural manpower needs. "Present-day farming methods demand managerial ability and labor with special skills and broad experience. The year-around labor requirements of our modern mechanized farms cannot be met by the importation of seasonal migrants, such as might be successfully employed for harvesting fruit or doing stoop labor.

"We therefore respectfully recommend that on each local draft board which is now functioning or which may later be established and on each appeal board there should be at least one member having direct and personal experience with agricultural manpower conditions and needs so that this essential part of our economy may be enabled to function effectively and make its proper and necessary contribution to the war effort."

Let's not dub anyone a communist until they are proved to be one. We do not all think alike, but it's best not to be too fast in passing judgment on those who disagree with us. While arguments are going on here at home, our troops in Korea are looking for help to finish the job that came so unexpectedly for them to do.

The situation may not be as serious as it appears, but it stands us all to be prepared for whatever comes on the scene.

America never will again be as it was in the "good old days", and none of us want it to be. In the 450 years of its existence there's always been the bitter with the sweet, and if we continue pro-

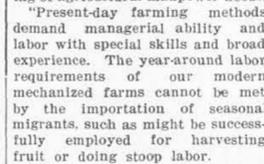
JRS. PREPARE FOR SPEECH CONTEST

Many Junior Farm Bureau members are commencing to think about the approaching state JFB public speaking contest. The subject for this year's contest is, "Distribution and Utilization of Agricultural Products."

The winner of the contest will have the opportunity to participate in the national contest at Dallas. The local Junior Farm Bureau organizations are in the process of electing officers for the coming year. Each group is urged to send a list of the new officers to the state secretary as soon as the election is completed.

Are you and all of your neighbors registered so that you can cast your ballot in the coming elections? The last date for registration for voting at the September 12 Primaries is August 23.

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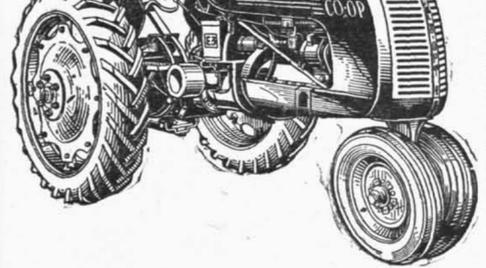
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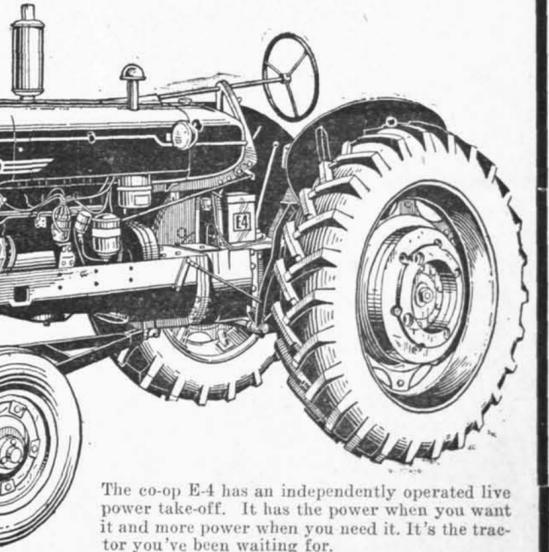
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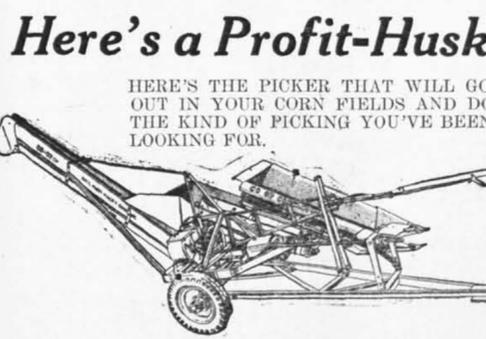
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Michigan Farmers Find Extra Values in Unico Paints

Yellow Oleo Disaster for Dairy Industry

Loss of Michigan's dairy markets to yellow oleo interests would be disastrous to the basic prosperity of the state, Stanley Powell, Farm Bureau leader and chairman of the public relations committee of the Dairy Action League, told a gathering of newspaper and radio editors at Lansing July 21.



STANLEY M. POWELL

The question of legalizing the sale and manufacture of yellow oleo will be decided at a referendum vote on November 7.

"Legalizing yellow oleo," Mr.

Powell said, "will open the door to a host of imitation dairy products—oleo butter, oleo milk, oleo cheese and oleo ice cream—which will first damage and then ultimately destroy dairying as the state's largest industry."

"Investment in dairy farms in Michigan amounts to \$2,375,000,000. The dairy cow is the largest single source of cash farm income in the state. More than 80 per cent of Michigan's 175,000 farm families depend on dairying for part or all of their income, with revenues amounting to \$185,000,000 last year."

"Yellow oleo threatens the market for 27 per cent of all the milk produced, which last year went into butter. Every consumer understands what that much of a sales drop would mean to a store or factory. Legislation which endangered more than one-quarter of the dollar volume of the automotive industry, for instance, would likewise be an economic disaster to the state."

CARO CO-OP BUILDS OFFICE FOR CO. F.B.

The Caro Farmers' Co-operative Elevator Company has built a separate office to the rear of their own office which they will rent to the County Farm Bureau.

The office will have an outside entrance and will be open every day.

There will be someone in the office at all times to provide the membership with service for auto insurance, Blue Cross, and discussion club material, and any service which might be asked for that is available.

The Caro Farmers' Elevator is located on Green St., 50 yards north of Shurlow's Poultry Plant.

Co-operatively Made For Co-operatives

The manufacture of Unico Paints is a working example of the advantages gained through cooperative ownership of a manufacturing plant.

Cooperatives have demonstrated the practicability of owning and operating their own production plants. Fertilizers, feeds, farm implements and many other farm supply products are produced in plants owned by the co-operative farmer patrons for their own use. Many of these manufacturing ventures were the out-growth of a definite necessity. Individual farmer patrons or small cooperatives could not finance a manufacturing unit, but by combining the volume purchasing power of several cooperatives it was possible to provide their own manufacturing plants.

A cooperatively owned plant meant that definite quality control, price and distribution could be maintained. It does not necessarily mean that feeds, fertilizers, paints or other farm products can be supplied at a lower price than the current market price, but it does mean that the quality of the product manufactured can be definitely controlled.

United Co-Operatives' paint manufacturing plant at Alliance, Ohio runs true to this pattern of cooperative ownership for farmer-patron use.

About Half Of Metal Roofs Need Painting

Estimates say that 40 percent of the roofs of farm buildings in Michigan are galvanized sheets. According to D. A. Caul, Van Vuren county agricultural agent, the same surveys disclosed that about 50 percent of these roofs are rusty and should be cared for to stop further loss of metal.

A. J. Bell, agricultural engineer at Michigan State College, advises that metal roofs be coated as soon as rust is observed. This conserves paint and extends the service life of sheets. Badly rusted areas should be steel brushed to remove loose rust. The roof should then be swept with a broom. Two coats of paint should be used over bad rust. A second coat is always a good investment. "Spot paint" rust areas first; then give entire surface a complete coat.

On choice of paint, the engineer states that asphalt, red or blue lead; aluminum; iron oxide; and metallic zinc paint are used for different effects. Asphalt is of value in closing very small holes and is cheap; but has the disadvantage of absorbing heat and is low in coverage. Red and blue lead are used as prime coats and must be covered with another paint to withstand the weather. Aluminum is used as a finish coat only. Iron oxide of at least 40 per cent red oxide content makes a good prime or finish paint, is reasonably low in cost, and is fairly serviceable. Metallic zinc paint is the most durable for galvanized roofing, weathers well, and gives high coverage.

CHERISH YOUR HERITAGE! Vote at the Primary Election September 12.

Unico Paint Manufacture Began in 1940. Prior to 1939, individual members of United Co-operatives were all in the paint business but were buying their paints from various private brand manufacturers. The only exception was G. L. F. Cooperative at Ithaca, New York, which owned and operated a small paint plant at Phelps, New York.

The other members purchased paint in comparatively small quantities, which was not a practical arrangement. In 1939 G. L. F. offered to sell their paint plant equipment to United Co-operatives and combine their paint volume with that of United's other members. United's directors agreed to this plan as they knew that all patrons would benefit from a cooperatively owned and operated paint manufacturing plant. The deal was completed in November 1939 and by March 1940, farmer-patrons of Farm Bureau Services, Inc. were purchasing paints from their own paint plant.

United's Paint Manufacturing Successful. United's paint volume for the first year of operation was 22,000 gallons, but by 1941 the volume had zoomed to 339,000 gallons. In 1942, the war had caused nationwide shortages in raw materials. Although the volume was 345,000 gallons for that year, it became necessary to look to the Government for some means of maintaining paint volume. This resulted in a paint contract with the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company to manufacture Dek-tred which was used by the Navy. 84,000 gallons of Dek-tred was produced in 1942. As the war progressed material shortages became more acute, but in 1943 United's members were supplied with 210,000 gallons and the Navy 280,000 gallons of paint. In 1944, member production was 195,000 gallons and Navy 242,000 gallons.

United's paint plant hit its highest production in 1945 when raw supplies began to loosen. Members were provided with 240,000 gallons and the Navy 340,000 gallons, which was a total of 680,000 gallons for the year.

In 1946, member production increased to 348,000 gallons; 424,000 gallons in 1947 and 413,000 gallons in 1948.

Modern Facilities for Greater Production. In 1948, United's paint plant was streamlined for even greater and more efficient paint production. New buildings were added to house the boiler room and all vehicle tanks were moved under cover and, in some instances, underground. There is tank storage for 120,000 gallons of oils, varnishes and asphalt and underground storage for 30,000 gallons of thinners. A tunnel 170 feet long connects the new buildings to the factory and houses the pipe lines through which the materials are pumped.

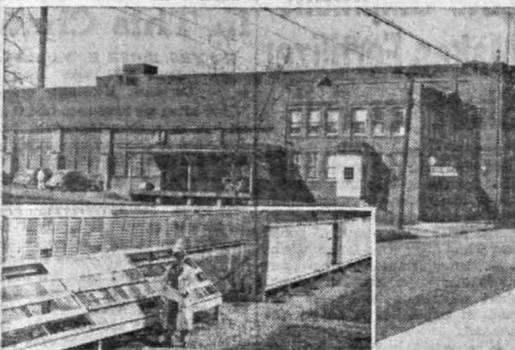
Present production facilities for Unico paints will provide from 800,000 to a million gallons per year. Based on present patron demand, these facilities are enough to handle a considerable increase in paint production without adding new installations.

The Unico line of paints, complete for every need on the farm, includes exterior house and barn paints, interior finishes, enamels, varnishes, implement enamels and many other paint product accessories.

Unico paints have proven their high quality protection and good appearance on thousands of farm homes and buildings throughout the United States. Their favorable acceptance is further proof that a good product can be manufactured cooperatively for the ultimate good of all who own a part of their own cooperative manufacturing facilities.

Are you and all of your neighbors registered so that you can cast your ballot in the coming elections? The last date for registration for voting at the September 12 Primaries is August 23.

United's Paint Plant at Alliance



This is United Co-operatives' paint plant and test fence at Alliance, Ohio. The plant contains modern paint manufacturing equipment and produces a complete line of exterior and interior paints, barn paints, enamels, and many other paint products used on the farm. The paint test fence is one of three where Unico paints are given a rigid actual weathering and wear test. The racks contain hundreds of sample paints that are exposed through the years to all types of weather. Each is date marked and checked periodically for durability qualities, so that Unico paints can be carefully checked in the locations where they are used.

Jr. FB Operating Cafeteria At Ionia Free Fair

Along about the week of August 7-12 at the Ionia Free Fair, you will see many people, who remembered the fine food served at the Michigan Junior Farm Bureau cafeteria near the grand stands, heading in that general direction.

It is expected that better than 10,000 meals will be served during the week. Many of those patronizing the eating place, which is sponsored by the Michigan Junior Farm Bureau as one of the yearly projects, will be eating food that was grown on the farms of a Junior, or their neighbor's.

One of the purposes of the cafeteria, in addition to being a public relations program as well as a good business proposition, is to promote the sale of Michigan grown products. Asparagus will be served from Van Buren county; cabbage and beans from Saginaw; tomatoes, peppers and cucumbers from Kent; corn from Calhoun; and eggs, poultry and meat from all over the state.

Clarence Aldrich and Carol Smith are co-managers of the project. Mrs. Bertha Avery will serve as head cook with Mrs. Lois Thomas as her assistant. Leona Algon of Clinton county will be the cashier. Among the many Junior Farm Bureau members who have agreed to help are Connie Duryea of Hillsdale county, Barbara Foster and Barbara Myer of Berrien county, Helen Knepler of Lapeer county, Dorothy Taberski of Cass county and Barbara Ingles of Ionia county.

Members from Isabella, Calhoun, Jackson, Genesee, Barry and Van Buren counties set up the kitchen and dining equipment the week preceding the fair.

The project is a co-operative venture in which several hundred members from several counties are taking part. A permanent committee handles the management, the buying, the menus, the cookery and the organization of the staff. Every other day the staff changes with a new group of young people coming in to contribute their share of the labor. On Monday and Tuesday you will see members from Saginaw, Branch, Calhoun, Kent, Ottawa and Shiawassee counties doing their part. If you stop in to eat on Wednesday or Thursday, you will find members from Eaton, Cass, Gratiot, and Berrien counties, Shiawassee, Midland, Hillsdale and Livingston counties have agreed to work on Friday and Saturday.

The schedule will be dinner at 11 a. m. to 3 p. m.; supper from 5 to 8 p. m.; and sandwiches, coffee and ice cream from 8 p. m. to midnight.

USDA TO BUY RED CHERRIES

The U. S. Dept. of Agriculture will buy 500,000 cases of canned red sour cherries this year to assist growers in marketing their abundant production. The canned cherries will be used in school lunch programs and by other eligible outlets. Fruit co-operatives and the Farm Bureau asked for help for the cherry producers.

Processors who sell canned red sour cherries to the USDA under this program will be required to pay growers not less than 7 cents per pound for cherries delivered to the canners.

Production of red sour cherries this year was expected to exceed 145,000,000 pounds, perhaps the largest crop on record. The USDA said its purchase program was offered to protect growers against unduly low prices.

You can't check on a cow's production if you don't have some kind of record. Michigan State College dairymen say that weighing milk from each cow daily will help to give an idea of the cow's annual production. Then you can decide whether to keep the cow.

FB Women to Hold Rural-Urban Meets

The county Farm Bureau women throughout the state are planning a series of rural-urban conferences to be held during the fall months. These meetings are planned for the purpose of better acquainting city and farm women about issue at stake in the November election. Among the counties that are planning such conferences are Lenawee, Jackson, Oakland, Livingston, Montcalm and Ionia.

Electric Co-op to Build Steam Plant

Northern Michigan Electric Co-operative has announced that it will build a \$2,000,000 steam plant to generate electricity. It will be completed in 1952. The location is at Advance, three miles west of Boyne City. The plant will serve three rural electric co-operatives in northern Michigan: Cherryland Rural Electric, Presque Isle Rural Electric, and Top-O-Michigan Rural Electric Co-operative.

LARGE MICHIGAN GROUP TO ATTEND CO-OP INSTITUTE

Michigan will be well represented at the American Institute of Co-operation at Stillwater, Oklahoma, August 21-24. The Oklahoma A & M College will be host to the several thousand co-operative and farm organization leaders and their families as well as teachers, extension workers, and others who come together for the annual program of the 26-year-old Institute.

The Institute is a national, educational organization for farmer co-operatives.

Among those attending from Michigan will be J. F. Yaeger, assistant executive secretary of the Michigan Farm Bureau; along with Edwin Steffen, B. P. Pattison, W. Victor Bielinski, and Everett Young.

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According to Austin L. Pino, Blue Cross rural enrollment manager, some 40 per cent of all Farm Bureau Blue Cross members "now

have the peace of mind that comes from knowing they'll have assistance with their hospital medical bills, as well as hospital and surgical protection, in cases of unforeseen accidents or illness."

"Already more than 19,500 of the Michigan Farm Bureau's approximately 41,500 members in 765 of the State's nearly 1,000 Farm Bureau Discussion Groups are Blue Cross or Blue Cross-Blue Shield members," Pino continued.

"And we're enrolling new Discussion Groups at an average of better than eight per month, with practically every one taking the complete package-hospital-medical-surgical."

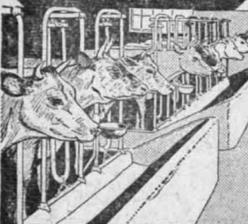
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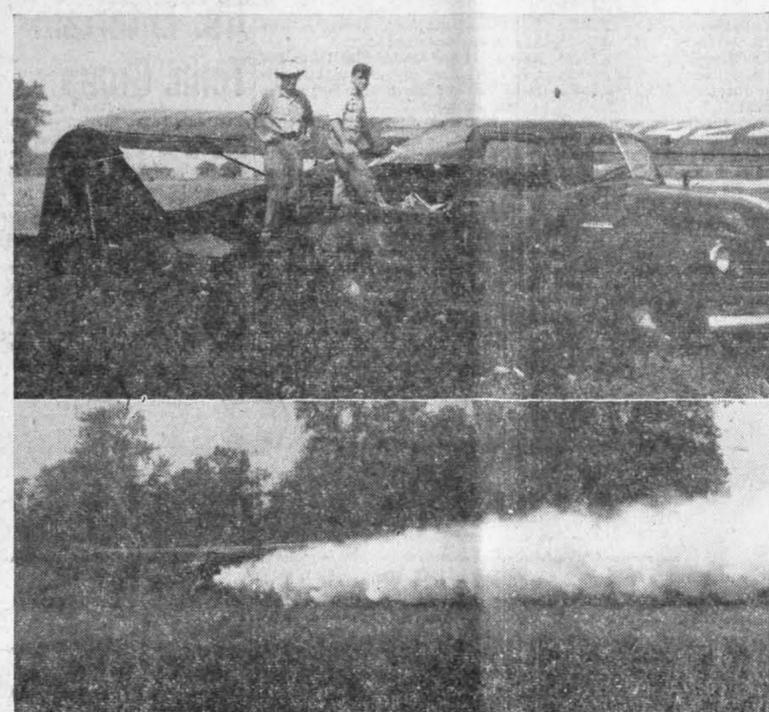
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In the above photo, top, we see Harold Jordan, onion grower of Ingham county, assisting Robert Starr, manager of Starr Dusting Service of Mason, loading the plane's tanks with insecticide materials. In the lower photo, Mr. Starr in his low flying plane is applying dust to a large field of onions. The Starr Dusting Service is co-operating with Farm Bureau Services insecticide department at Lansing in providing this service to farmers of Michigan.

Looking in on County F.B. Dairyland to Celebrate 25th Year at Picnic

By WESLEY HAWLEY
Dir. of Membership Acquisition

The Membership Committee of the County Farm Bureau is one of the most important committees. Its responsibility is to see that a good roll call is conducted once each year. An active committee studies the roll call experiences each year and works out a plan for

the forthcoming roll call. It certainly would want to profit by the experiences of the previous roll call.

When their plan is completed it is presented to the county board for adoption along with the proposed budget. The committee is then ready to start things rolling for a good roll call campaign. The first step is to secure a competent roll call manager and familiarize him with the plan and his responsibility. The roll call manager should work with, and under, the direction of the membership committee in setting up the roll call.

The manager selects the staff of quarter men, who select captains, who in turn select the workers. All of these become familiar with their part in a successful roll call and take the necessary training. Now that the state goal is established and the date set, the membership committee should be ready to start the training program for 1951. February 1950 District Meeting indicated that the workers' training was the weakest part of the 1950 roll call and should be improved. It is important that the committee, roll call manager and staff all get the training in order to help in training the workers.

With the roll call date set for the week of December 4, August is the month in which the committee and roll call manager should complete their planning and get ready for the training program which should start in September.

When you look in on the membership committee you will see that it is important and interesting work. A successful roll call depends upon team-work all the way through. The committee, roll call manager, quarter men, the captains and the workers should all work in the same direction.

Dairyland to Celebrate 25th Year at Picnic

A record breaking crowd is expected at Carson City park Thursday, August 24 for the silver anniversary picnic of the Dairyland Co-operative Creamery Co. A miniature fair will feature more live stock exhibits than ever before.

There will be livestock judging, starting at 9 a. m., in all breeds and classes of both livestock and swine, with special attention to the 4-H and FFA boys and girls who exhibit. The Guernsey and Jersey breeds will be judged in special classes under supervision of their own respective breed organizations.

Other features of the morning program will be a pet parade for youngsters and a cake contest for the women, with suitable prizes. Each entrant in the cake contest will receive a nominal cash award.

The entire program is sponsored by Dairyland Co-operative Creamery Co. of Carson City. The dairy will provide free milk for all who join in the noon basket picnic dinner.

The afternoon program will feature presentation of special awards to early members and employees of Dairyland. Dr. Tennyson Guyer of Findlay, Ohio, will be master of ceremonies. Dr. Guyer is remembered for his fine, humorous talk when he appeared three years ago at another of the Dairyland summer picnics. There will be several other entertainment numbers, including a complete troupe from Station WLS, Chicago.

Final event on the big day will be a baseball game after the regular program is over, with the Carson City Merchants opposing Elwell.

Farm Bureau Ann'l Meetings

The following dates have been set for the annual meetings and conferences of the Michigan Farm Bureau and associated organizations:

Nov. 4—Michigan Junior Farm Bureau annual meeting at Reo Club House, 1331 South Washington avenue, Lansing.

Nov. 7—Commodity Conferences for co-operative dairy, poultry, live stock, fruit and vegetable, and farm crops groups, Union building, Michigan State College.

Nov. 8—Women of the Farm Bureau annual meeting at Auditorium building, Michigan State College.

Nov. 8—Organization Conference for county and state Farm Bureau membership people at Music Auditorium, Michigan State College.

Nov. 9-10—Michigan Farm Bureau annual meeting at Fairchild Theatre

and Auditorium, Michigan State College.

December—Farm Bureau Services, Inc., and Farmers Petroleum Co-operative, Inc., stockholders will hold their annual meetings at Reo Club House, Lansing, in early December on dates to be announced soon.

CHICKENS AND CORN NOT SAME

Hybrid chickens are not required, at present, to pass any official yield test comparable to hybrid corn according to Dr. E. W. Henderson, Michigan State College poultry breeder.

The poultry breeder says many questions come to him on this subject. Chickens that are more comparable in yield tests to that required for hybrid corn are those passing the official Record of Performance tests through the poultry improvement association.

JFB SCHEDULES 3-DAY CAMP AT CLEAR LAKE

At a recent meeting of the Michigan Junior Farm Bureau state council, members voted to have a three-day camp at Clear Lake in place of the regular Waldenwoods camp. It is scheduled to begin Wednesday evening, August 30 and continue through September 3 to 2 p.m. The camp is located about 19 miles south of Hastings on M-37. The purpose of the camp is to train the newly elected local presidents and secretaries to take over the responsibilities of their organizations for the coming year. The council urged that any president or secretary unable to attend, should make sure that another member is sent to represent him.

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Are You Prepared To Vote This Fall?

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

By DONALD D. KINSEY
Director of Research and Information

THE OBLIGATION OF CITIZENSHIP...



Look at your calendar! The September primaries and the November election are approaching at startling speed. Are we getting ready to meet the challenges they hold for us? Who shall speak for farmers if farmers do not speak for themselves by ballots in 1950?

Our question, **Are You Prepared to Vote?**, points directly at each one of us. There is much that we must do to answer it truthfully with a confident "Yes". It not only asks us are we willing to vote, but also whether we can do it intelligently as a democratic, self-governing people. Do we have a thorough knowledge of the issues facing us? Have we sought for the truth and looked to the consequences? Are we planning to get our candidates, both state and national, into our meetings in order that we may learn where they stand, and to tell them where we stand,—we the people?

We, as individuals, never get a chance to say what laws we favor or oppose directly on the floor of our halls of government. We do not have a vote there. But we can elect men who will speak for us, and tell them where we stand. Many people have complained that small groups of citizens in America, seeking special advantages, have dinned their wants into governmental ears, while the mass of the citizens have been left holding the bag. It takes organization to make the citizenry become vocal. Alone a man remains silent, realizing his feeble voice. When the public does not speak the lawmaker may take it to mean that the people do not care. Who can complain when he follows the only voice he hears? The wheel that squeaks the loudest!

Four steps are necessary if "We the People" are to be personally effective in our government:

1. We must know governmental issues thoroughly, inform ourselves, and think them through to their real consequences on a long-term basis.
2. We must elect men who will truly represent the interests of the people. We must elect statesmen—men whose character is sound, and whose zeal is strong to keep the interests of the people and the nation foremost. We must avoid the mere politician who keeps self-interest foremost, and who would sell the real interests of the people down the river for his future advantage. Candidates' personal records should be public property.
3. The people should encourage men of known character and ability to seek candidacy for public office. How often do we complain that we do not know or do not trust a candidate? We have our chance to help pick these men, and these are the most vital jobs in America—the jobs of running our daily lives. Then why don't we get our trusted friends and leaders into the game? Why sit idly by and let political machines and political bosses do the choosing? We slip up badly on this in America. We do a poor job of selling those we trust on the important service they can render. Were we out to our township caucus? Did we attend our county and state political rallies? Who did? Were we just "too busy"? The soil of government needs as much cultivation as a field of corn if we are to keep out the weeds. And our rural gatepost signs should not read "Belly Acres" and mean it.
4. After elections are over it is our duty to keep in touch with our representatives to keep them posted on our views and positions. New days give birth to new issues and

House of Representatives is subject to replacement. Who are you sending to Washington from your district? Is it the man you want? What are his views on the farmer's problems? Or will it be the representative of some special group which cares nothing about the farmer's problems? A small margin of gain in the House and Senate, a margin to the left, will yield the Brannan Plan. You are an important key to the direction in which the pendulum swings!

Single votes do count! Thomas Jefferson was elected by one vote in the Electoral College. So was John Quincy Adams. Rutherford B. Hayes was elected by one vote. His election was contested, and referred to an electoral commission. Again he won by a single vote. Just one vote gave statehood to California, Idaho, Oregon, Texas and Washington. The draft act of World War II was passed in the House of Representatives by just one vote.

Butter vs. Yellow Oleo Referendum. I hope that you all took time to read the article by Ed Hobbie in the July Michigan Farm News "Everyone Will Lose Except the Oleo Maker." Every dairy farmer should consider carefully every fact in that article. The challenge it carries means that we must do all we can on the farms, in the towns and cities to the threat to Michigan's general well-being!

Sell the Michigan dairy industry to yellow oleo and you destroy one of Michigan's largest industries. It will hit the prosperity of Michigan's business and industry right in the solar plexus! The oleo makers who are spreading the propaganda to bring yellow oleo into Michigan—in fraudulent imitation of butter—are foreign to Michigan. Out of 26 companies producing oleo, one is in Michigan! These few plants challenge the future livelihood of 45,000 Michigan dairy farmers and hundreds of thousands of other people at present employed directly and indirectly in the dairy business. If someone turned a shotgun on your herd, would you care? It amounts to that!

Butter is the "balance-wheel" of the dairy industry. Milk production rises sharply from April to July. The profit from dairy farming in this flush period must be saved by making the excess into storable butter. Market demands for milk and butter remain rather constant the year around. If you could find a way to teach a cow to give milk by the daily market charts; if you could twist some valve and set some dial to slow her production and then step it up again as needed, all would be well. But she gives milk according to nature and she never did study statistics.

To make it possible to insure milk on the city doorstep in December, butter must be made as a by-product in July—and it must be sold. Butter brings 27% of the dairy farmer's income. Can any business man do away with 27% of his operating income and maintain his business? What if this 27% is the margin on which he depends to feed, clothe, shelter, and educate his family?

The farmer cannot cut back his herds in the lush pasture months and then pull them back like rabbits out of a hat later on. His profits on that June butter must be realized or in the future there may not be even an adequate supply of tinned milk for the babies in the city. Rejection of butter for yellow oleo will knife the industry in the back.

Some inroads have been made already by these synthetic industries into Michigan's dairy income. Milk checks have been declining. In this country 18 billion pounds of milk have been displaced on the market by oleo in one year. Ed Hobbie points out that manufacturers are now planning to expand sales of "filled milk," "filled cheese" and "filled ice cream"—where vegetable oils replace the butterfat. The present threat is only an opening wedge. And if this is done, they may not have the milk to "fill" in the future. The people of Michigan had best look to see on which side their bread is buttered—and it had better be Butter!

Mr. Hobbie pointed out that the price of yellow oleo to the housewife has leaped in states and cities which made it legal. Here are a few:

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Get out the Vote. These issues should stir every Farm Bureau member to get behind and push on the campaign in his county to get out the vote. Every rural voter should register at the earliest date. Organized teamwork to insure that everyone participates in the September primaries and the November election should be planned. Transportation for those who need it, baby-sitting for young parents, and plenty of community spirit should

be part of the program. Know your candidates and let them know you. Get in the swim of active democracy and keep a tight rein on the head of bureaucracy.

Questions for Community Farm Bureau Conclusions.
1. Is our Community Farm Bureau taking an active part in preparing for the primaries and the fall election?
2. Are we joining our efforts to those of the County Farm Bureau?
3. What action can we take to get the truth about yellow oleo and its threat to Michigan's welfare to the people in the towns and cities?
4. Have all of our Community Farm Bureau members registered to vote?

CHERISH YOUR HERITAGE!
Vote at the Primary Election September 12.

Berrien, Cass Jrs. Entertain Tenn. Group

On July 8, the Berrien and Cass county Junior Farm Bureaus were hosts to 48 young farmers and homemakers from Tennessee. The visiting group was on its first trip similar to the "Michigan short course on wheels", which included visits to numerous northern states and Canada.

While staying in Berrien county, the Tennessee YFH had an opportunity to tour the Sodus Fruit Exchange, the famous Benton Har-

bor fruit market, and John Handy's farm, a prominent fruit grower of Berrien county. The group enjoyed swimming in Lake Michigan, which was the first time for many of them. In the evening the young people were guests at a state party held in their honor at the Lions Clubhouse at Berrien Springs. That night the members of the touring group stayed in JFB homes.

On July 9 they left to continue their trip to Canada and their return through the northeastern states.

A very complimentary letter was received at the state office July 26 from Scott Stickle, chairman of the Tennessee YFH tour committee, thanking the Berrien and Cass county juniors for the wonderful time shown the touring group. Mr. Stickle extended an invitation to

the Michigan Junior Farm Bureau to visit them.

PRE-CONVENTION MEETING OCT. 24

The Tuscola County Farm Bureau is planning a pre-convention meeting for October 24.

This will be an evening banquet held at Caro High School.

The main event of the evening will be John W. Sims, a former County Agriculture Agent of Tuscola county, who now is executive secretary of the Ohio Farm Bureau.

Tickets for the banquet will be sold in advance.

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TAX ITEMS AMOUNT
County Tax
School Tax
School Debt Tax
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Valuation 2,000
TAX ITEMS AMOUNT
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1948 INCOME TAX RETURN
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1948, ending Nov. 30, 1949
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Michigan
Total Income Tax 735.87

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Date Paid 1949
Total 113.82
Fee 1.14
TOTAL 114.96

\$4,010.47
Paid in 1949 by Lapeer Co. Co-operatives, Inc.

A lot of folks think that "The Co-op" doesn't pay any taxes. So we got the figures together, and above you see some of the tax receipts.

At the right are the complete figures taken from our records. The sales tax figure of \$200 is estimated. All others are exact amounts from our audited books.

These are all taxes we pay out of income. They do not include taxes paid at the time of sale by customers, such as the gas tax, and the sales tax on retail sales where it applies. We are not reimbursed directly for any of the taxes listed in the column at the right.

We thought you'd be interested in getting the facts.

Complete List of Taxes Paid in 1949

IMLAY CITY (personal property)	\$ 114.96
IMLAY CITY (personal property)	106.05
IMLAY CITY (Real estate)	114.96
IMLAY CITY (Real estate)	106.05
LAPEER CITY (Real & Personal)	450.97
LAPEER CITY (Real & Personal)	352.50
GAS TAX on our own trucks	144.00
SALES TAX on items for our own use	200.00
SOCIAL SECURITY TAX	636.59
EXCISE TAX (State)	445.52
EXCISE TAX (Federal)	190.97
STATE CORPORATION TAX	412.03
U. S. INCOME TAX	735.87
TOTAL	\$4010.47

Lapeer County Co-operatives, Inc.

FARMER OWNED Lapeer, Michigan **FARMER CONTROLLED**

This advertisement was published in the Lapeer County Press, June 29, 1950. It is a typical statement of the taxes that are paid by any farmers co-operative that markets farm products and distributes farm supplies.

Discussion Topics

The new list of discussion topics for Community Farm Bureaus for the months September to March will be published in this space in September.

The topics will be selected from recommendations in the July series of Farm Bureau Membership District meetings from discussion leaders and delegates to those meetings.