EDITORIAL

Thanks Again for the Good Work!

The Michigan Farm Bureau has arrived at its 30,500 member goal. In behalf of the organization we thank every man who has renewed his membership, and we thank the women.

We thank every man and woman of the 6,000 volunteer membership workers who are responsible for the success of our Roll Call for Farm Bureau membership.

All of us have spoken our personal need for the kind of organization we have in the Farm Bureau.

A Shift in Position

For many years most out-state groups, including the Farm Bureau, have been opposed to a constitutional convention for the purpose of writing a new state constitution.

In favor of such a convention has come largely from various groups who want a particular section of the constitution changed. For one group, it could be reformation of local government by eliminating the township. For another group it could be changing the form of local government by eliminating the township.

All of this would like to get rid of the 15 million, etc.

Now a peculiar shift of position. Out-state groups are looking more and more to the Farm Bureau as an ally. And make sure there is There are only two safe places because the sales tax revenue is in the air.

In this connection, President Kline of the American Farm Bureau has said: I am in favor of a constitutional convention. We have to face the fact that the farming lobby has to be contacted to get a constitutional convention. The other fellows are looking to the Farm Bureau for support of a constitutional convention. The other fellows are looking to the Farm Bureau for support of a constitutional convention.

Some out-state spokesmen are getting support for their argument that a constitutional convention would provide a good opportunity to settle the taxation matters now unsolved. Michigan's state income tax and state finance tangles.

Delegates to a constitutional convention are chosen three from each senatorial district.

Out-state Michigan would rather have a constitutional convention called on the basis of the senatorial districts. By doing this they are saying the sooner the better.

Those who would oppose both Senate and House spokesmen on a basis of population want that kind of a reorganization first, and a constitutional convention afterward.

The Michigan Farm Bureau has dropped its long-time opposition to a constitutional convention.

Our Stake in Steel Wage Increase

The Federal Wage Stabilization Board has approved increases in wages and prices in the steel industry. Increases in wages and prices in the steel industry go into every operation that serves farmers.

For the farmer, said Mr. Sexauer, the proposed wage increase directly and indirectly the farmer is a large consumer. The union had asked for 18%. The Michigan Farm Bureau had dropped its long-time opposition to a constitutional convention. The Michigan Farm Bureau is in favor of a constitutional convention.

Gasoline Saver

You can avoid loss of several cents a gallon by arranging the ignition by putting a mark on your own gasoline tank as a guide to the job. Some of the Michigan Farm Bureau car pools have been operating for several years.

Pick Feathers

Chickens are first-grade feeders and are fed on a good ration with the group in an advisory.
Unemployment & IMC

Department issued a release an
unemployment program, or IMC,
to make the trip before the legis-
lation. I want you to read this
Unemployment the "One World" doctrine. to get

Thousands of men are out of
work today. I have been on the
Editorial office. P. O. Box 960 Lanan-
township, Charlotte, Michigan, under the Act
approved by Congress. and has no
authority to do anything in the
matter. But on the other hand, if
the bill is not passed, there will
be no assurance that we can get
the resources we need.

The IMC now consists of a head-
quarters in Washington, a public
relations and field services divi-
sion, and a legal department. It
was established in December, 1950, when its critical materials in supply
were not in line with the needs of our modern industrial
organization. The IMC is under the control of the
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assembled, and on January 1, the
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Acts of God

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Spring 1952

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game season in the southern part
of the state. The cardinal from his lofty perch pipes up the big red
equinox is past. And He will yet redeem mankind, and yet will heal our land

The days are growing longer and the equinox is past.
And I cannot doubt fulfillment of the yearnings of my heart.
For the sun is warm and bright today upon ten thousand hills.

If I enjoy a warm transfusion when the buds of April start
blooming, and the bright sun sends down its rays that

And the world of men is all awry. Democracy is sick
with a cold. The world is sick with a cold. The world is sick
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The name Kefauver leaves me cold and Stassen has no thrills
for me.

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Farm Bureau Seed Needs for Best Crops

For 32 years the Farm Bureau Seed Service has been supplying Michigan farmers with GOOD SEED. You can depend upon Farm Bureau for the best varieties of adapted seeds. They are high in purity and germination. Ask for Farm Bureau:

**Alfalfa**

**Clovers**
- LAKE. Jans. Masson, Kentwood, Cedar, South Haven, East, Grant, Rock, Great, Paterson, Empt.

**Grass Seeds**
- EGGRO GRADE, Valets, Grass, common & sweet. Bon Toilet, Grant, Great, Rock, Great, Paterson, Empt.

**Spring Grains**
- OATS—Self, East, Clinton. SPRING BARLEY. SPRING WHEAT—Stark.

**Seed Corn**

**Other Seeds**
- S&F BEND, Blackhawk, Haskell, Frisbee. KELLEY—Horn, Early, Fortuna, Yellow Big Brown, Corn, Black Amber Gat, Allia Seta. FIELDS—Yellows, Whites.

**Feeding**

Feeding, partner is where your Farm Bureau Services enters the picture. We help you see that your chucks, poults, pigs and calves get the right kind of feed to grow or to produce clear up to their inherited ability.

1. **New Chick Starter 35% protein** is a high energy starter for the first six weeks. If you prefer for productive feeding.

2. **Our Marness treaty (with MIP) carries a special anti-biotic Premix which is a potent feed with added taste and nutrition for production and health.

3. Our *Wildcat* preventives are highly effective agents against worms and parasites of bile or mag. *BROADSIDE CONTROLS*. Corn, Skip & Flat Tail (Red Spotted, Hard Spotted, Red, Black Head, Black Head Over, Red Head Over, Red Head Under, Black Head Over) are also available.

4. **Adding Medical Payments to Liability Policy**

- Miss Vermillion, manager of the Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company, said that further improvements are to be made in the company’s retrospective farm liability policy before the first renewal comes up for consideration.

- The company will make available to farmers a new retrospective payment for the indemnity payments on their policy. It will also be a part of the policy to provide for reinsurance of the policy.

- One policy provision: has been broadened to include the endorsement by the Plymouth. Mr. Ver- merillion said.

5. **Not Getting News?**

If you know of members failing to receive their Farm Bureau News, please send us a postcard so we can try to find out why. Thank you for your help. Michigan Farm News, P.O. Box 11, Lansing, Mich.
Farm Steel Supply is Uncertain

Farm steel supply is uncertain, says Warren Douglas, manager of the Farm Bureau Services Steel, Lansing, Michigan. Present operations in steel in-plant appear to be operating at a speed consistent with President Truman's request while the war-time production restrictions of the CIO demand a few new wage con-
tracts necessary to speed up production.

MOST of the larger mills have added production capacity, on the present shortages are not due to lack of capacity. The Bureau also provides the ex-

Panel of experts outlines the nature of corn and other meats under present government for man-

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Michigan Livestock

Business Up Five Times Since 1946

R. H. (Dick) Waiton
Manager's Report to the Michigan Livestock Exchange

The co-operative Michigan Livestock Exchange in 1951 sold and purchased $353,365,600 worth of livestock for 24,576 farmers. We handled 83,340 cattle, 29,977 calves, 65,031 sheep, and 224,688 hogs.

This was done at the Detroit stockyards, and at our 30 sales a week in Michigan and Adjacent states. Our operations are described in this statement to you.

Your organization, the Michigan Livestock Exchange was organized in 1922 to serve Michigan farmers on the Detroit market. The by-laws provide that any livestock producer may become a member by patronizing the association and by signing an application for membership when he endorses his check.

The state is divided into 39 districts, each of which holds an annual meeting of members in the district. The district meetings elect one delegate for each 50 members to represent them at the statewide annual meeting which is held at Lansing. The Exchange had 25,216 member patrons in 1951.

During the past 30 years this organization has maintained a good record of service at the terminal market, it has handled a good percentage of the volume on the market.

We offer the producer a service of skilled salesmen, including feedlot appraisal service. Through the feedlot service, they assist the livestock feeders in carrying out orderly marketing.

On these feedlot visits, our salesmen advise the producer as to market conditions and attempt to help him sell his livestock when it is finished. They also give advice in selecting the day to ship so as to avoid losses.

The Michigan Livestock Exchange offices are located at 30 Hubbard Street, Detroit and in the Kalamazoo Glazed Barns.

The following table shows you our excellent sales at the stockyards for the year 1951. It will be noted that the sales in the late fall months are the heaviest of the year.

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Ladino Clover Fills Crop Need

Ladino clover is increasing in importance with Michigan farmers. St. Louis, Michigan State College farmers, conducted an experiment for the past three years at the St. Louis field station. Results were recently published and show that Ladino clover is an excellent crop.

The experiment was conducted in a field where the soil is sandy loam. The seed was planted on April 15, 1949, at 100 pounds per acre. The results show that Ladino clover has a higher yielding capacity than other clovers.

The Michigan Agricultural Experiment Station, through its cooperative work with the Extension Service, has been conducting a series of experiments on the use of clover as a forage crop. These experiments have shown that Ladino clover is an excellent forage crop.

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A Constructive Farm Program for a Free America

Community Farm Bureau Discussion Topic for April

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

DONALD D. KIRBY
Director of Research and Education

It is always easy to BE AGAINST something. But if we are to go BEING FOR something, we have to be pretty definite about it.

Farm Bureau resolutions have been POSITIVELY FOR certain things, but not others. A few years ago, a resolution was adopted to urge the government to oppose the income tax. There was a lot of talk about ‘meeting reality’ and economics of the ‘conditions’ of the time. But most people would have been better off just to have said what they really believed: ‘We are opposed to the income tax!’

Some people, taking an opposite stand, have tried to make it appear that Farm Bureau is always against something. That’s a mistake. They are taking the wrong end of the pen.

Roger Fleming put it nicely: ‘If you’re going to be FOR apples, you have to be AGAINST coddling muttons.’

In truth, Farm Bureau has been FOR only a few programs without finding others who are opposed. Being on the other side of the fence, which they think is the right side, they want to defeat all that you do oppose—just to be correct.

They will not credit you with having any constructive purposes. So, you have to be pretty definite about what you do favor.

If we are going to have constructive aims, we must be on the lookout for something, positive ideas that fit our viewpoints. A good program for agriculture cannot be any ‘fly-by-night’ affair. It must have sound, solid, practical and enduring substance.

The ‘Emergency’ Idea. Programs for agriculture for many years have been based on the idea of ‘emergency conditions.’ Even support prices assume an emergency—some collapse of some part of the economy. Of course, this can happen.

But it may mean that ‘emergency powers’ must be granted to governmental bureaus in return for such supports. A ten-year program and not a scheme of limited or temporary aid.

The main trend agreed closely with resolutions estab-lished by Farm Bureau. A few supports and not a scheme of limited or temporary aid.

A. Agr'l Economists idea for a Constructive Program

1. The farm program should be a national one, with no state or county authority.

2. Benefits granted to any farm program should be connected to the utilization of the farming area to stimulate a constructive rural economy.

3. Benefits should be granted to the education of the farming community, especially to education for the farmers themselves.

4. Programs should be based on the principles of supply and demand, with the freedom of choice for the individual in operating the farm. All programs should be compatible with the necessity for free enterprise.

5. Programs should be national in scope and not confined to any political area. The farm program should be connected with a program for the entire country.

6. Programs should be connected to programs for the complete elimination of poverty and any program which will help the farmers themselves to solve their problems;

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