EDITORIAL

Our Recommendations Are Asked
Secretary Benson of the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture has invited the memberships of the Farm Bureau, Grange, and Farm Bureau to discuss and make recommendations to him as to certain five major problems in the national farm program.

We shall bear considerable about this survey of farmer opinion under the name of the National Farm Program Discussion Plan.

Mr. Benson's request emphasizes what Farm Bureau members found for some time—perhaps since 1953—that a year of decision.

The writing of County Farm Bureau and State Farm Bureau resolutions in Michigan and 47 other states will be considered in the American Farm Bureau resolutions in December.

The Farm Bureau recommendations will be used by Secretary Benson and ourselves in advising Congress regarding any changes to be made in the price support and other features of the Agricultural Marketing Act.

Ohio Farmers Want Farm Price Support

June 1, I published a gram of a statement made in behalf of "Ohio Farmers Want Farm Price Support." The statement was signed by the 18-mile path across Genesee County Farm Bureau, and that agency's executive secretary, Mr. Benson is in Ohio hearing the talk.

The Michigan PROGRAM has been under fire for retail prices, research, advertising and orderly marketing been going to the government for help, according to the polls.

Mr. Benson is working with the leaders of the various organizations and they have their experience in this field, we would appreciate your assistance in this survey of their memberships to tell him what- they think inasmuch as no order has been issued by the courts.

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300 Genesee Farm FB Members Have Hordado "Debris Bee"

When Michigan's worst tornado ever struck last June 15, it caused $2,250,000 worth of damage, including a 14-mile path through the county community and home, repaired machinery and the debris left behind by the storm. It was really an inspiring sight to watch the workmen rebuild the homes and farms that were damaged. The workmen were doing a wonderful job of helping the people get back on their feet. Many of them were helping at the farm as well as in the town, making sure that people had enough to eat. It was a very difficult time for everyone, but the community came together to help each other.

After the tornado, a large number of people and organizations came together to help the recovery effort. The Michigan State University Extension service, the American Red Cross, and local volunteer groups all played a role in providing assistance and support.

The cleanup process continued for months, with volunteers working tirelessly to clear debris and help the area recover. Despite the challenges, the community remained resilient and worked together to rebuild.

We are grateful for the support and assistance that was provided during this difficult time. It is a reminder of the importance of community and the power of coming together to overcome adversity.

For more information about the Michigan tornado of June 15, 1953, you can visit the Michigan State University Extension website or contact the local Extension office. Together, we can learn from this experience and be better prepared for future disasters.
Community Farm Bureau Activities

MRS. MARJORIE GARDNER
Dear Community Farm Bureau Member:

Community Groups Total—1,194.

During the month of May one new Community Farm Bureau group was organized bringing up to a total of 1296 Community Farm Bureau units. This still leaves us short of our goal for the fiscal year 1951-1952 by 112 groups. Hillside leading the race with a total of 23 new units for the month of May. Are you planning to organize a group and join the race?

SILVER STAR AWARDS

Greatest Southwestern Division.

Carl E. Buskirk, Paw Paw, R-2

Tom Berghouse is the new manager of the Michigan Potato Exchange, cooperative potato marketing organization with headquarters at Cadillac, Michigan. He has succeeded Harvey Hutt, resigned to return to his former work as public accountant.

LIVESTOCK

Crops for Best

To investigate the threat of cyclones or a high wind policy.
Expect Wheat Marketing Quota in July

Control Fungi

Diseases on Sour Cherries and Grapes with ORCHARD BRAND

"340" SPRAYCOP

34% Metallic Copper Fungicide

- Sprays off or "sticks" copper with leaves to provide silviculture.
- Controls leaf spot of cherries and grapes.
- More effective than home-made copper sprays.
- Easy to use.

Here's the most powerful prescription that Michigan doctors and hospitals can offer for... PROTECTION OF YOUR FAMILY AGAINST HOSPITAL BILLS

The CHANCES ARE IN 3 THAT YOUR FAMILY FACES HOSPITAL BILLS THIS YEAR!

a. More than once in every three doctors and hospitals have to collect their bills either in full or reduced amounts.

From a recent study of more than 50,000 hospital bills, the following conclusions were made:

- Emergency treatment is the most frequent cause of hospital bills.
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How to get and keep Blue Cross - Blue Shield Protection?

If your employer or name is employed by a firm has a Blue Cross - Blue Shield group plan for its employees, you may be eligible for this important plan. This protection will cost you very little and will be there when you need it most.

Protection that peacefully Blue Cross - Blue Shield guarantees you and your dependents protection against hospital bills for the following:

- All hospital bills.
- All medical expenses not covered by your State Mutual policy.

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Hunters and Farmers Have New Proposals

Michigan 4th at Midwest Conference

LEADERS from the twain are invited to compare programs, and to compete to see which is best. Competitors entered areas in which they felt they could make effective participation on the part of the most people of the farmers level.

Don’t Put it Off...Put it On!

Value-In-Use came into being, “Value-In-Use” on the farm. Thus the phrase “Value-In-Use” means the best value for the farmers that owned the farm. They were at-

Michigan Farm Bureau 4:05-15:00 is your closest source of available plant units and can be supplied whenever convenient—summer, fall or spring, however, between cuttings of many kinds in the ideal time to apply.

A Broiler Man Compares Feeds

Farm Bureau Feeds Maintain Top Production

The Farm Bureau founders, many years ago, set up a FEEDS Department. That department was to make feeds that would represent the best value for the farmers that owned the farm. The phrase “Poultry-Corn” came into being. “Value-In-Use” on the farm. They were at-

Don’t Put it Off...Put it On!

The carrying capacity of lupine pastures can be increased by adding nutrition to the soil. For best results, the soil should be limed and fertilized.

Farm Bureau Services, Inc.

FERTILIZER DEPARTMENT

Fertilizers Aid Alfalfa in Summer

Michigan Bell Telephone Com- pany has been graded as second best in the United States in telephone service for 1952.

Don’t Put it Off...Put it On!

Leader's poster presented at the Midwest Conference shows the farm plan cut the attendance expenses. A radio of radio and television

Don’t Put it Off...Put it On!

In Michigan’s history...

Struck Eastern Michigan June 8th

No more Than 300 Houses Destroyed

More Than Three Million Dollars Property Loss

Nearly 700 Persons Homeless

Check Your Windstorm Policy to see if you have adequate coverage

Those birds are bred for the specific purpose of maximizing production of meat, eggs, and other products. They are bred for the specific purpose of maximizing production of meat, eggs, and other products. They are bred for the specific purpose of maximizing production of meat, eggs, and other products.

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The legislators had insisted they completed on June 4 and 5, when the lawmakers returned to Lansing after an absence of two weeks and worked out the final details of the nearly a score of appropriation bills which, taken together, comprise a general fund budget of $338,697,126 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1953.

Action on these appropriations had been deferred from May 22, the date originally set for winding up the main part of the session. The legislators had insisted they wanted to know what the Governor would do about the new tax bill before they agreed on budget items from either its age or size of the bill.

As you know, Governor, your new orders that the new "Adjusted Receipts" tax allowed it to become a law, without taking, definite action, the only way of getting the declaration of the Michigan Farm Bureau against the tax. Since the other provision of this new tax law, the development proceeds.

In the meantime, the Michigan Farm Bureau has put in part of the session. The provisions was his order to introduce probably a little. However, immediately after the Governor's announcement, Farm Bureau staff members worked over the first part of this bill before it was apparent in form and became a through study of it.

The LEGISLATURE's committee on the Michigan Farm Bureau was introduced to Lansing this week to make the details over the bills which the Senate on June 5, when the lawmakers returned to Lansing on June 4. The committee of the Michigan Farm Bureau called on their specific instructions regarding the bill. The legislation council of the MFB staff had been made this the only way of getting the development. The Armed Services Committee on taxation.

Despite the indications of the Senate development, we are at present to our members through the state organization should be according to the bill. The legislation council of the MFB staff on the various stages of the bill which we had presented detailed testimony.

In early June, MFB staff members went over the details of the nearly a score of appropriation bills which, taken together, comprise a general fund budget of $338,697,126 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1953.

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Trends, Taxes and Township Governments

Community Farm Bureau Discussion Topic for July

Background Material for Program in July by Our Community Farm Bureau Discussion Groups

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Director of Research and Education

Township governments in 1956? Some say, "Yes" and some say "No!"

There are two sides to this question. On one side stand Michigan citizens who say that good, demo­
cratic government requires the preservation of township home rule. On the other are Michigan citizens who say that a sound, economical, efficient American government requires abolishing township systems for larger units.

A few years ago there was no question of this kind. Township governments were accepted as an in­
stitution.

Several, in a historical fact that local townships abandoned the responsibility for taxing to support their own operations. To the degree that this is done, the power of the people to elect and control their local government may begin to fail.

Michigan is now financing more of the costs of local government through state aid taxes than any other state in the nation.

And along with the power to tax may go increasing fluctuations of fiscal strength in townships. Magis­
ters of Michigan received 77% of all their tax monies in state-aid payments. The Survey shows that 90% of the funds in state equalization formula?

Trends in used farm equipment

The equipment shown on this page represents but a very, very small part of the complete line which today includes more than 1266 town­ships. Patterns of Michigan received 77%

The result has undermined the fiscal stability of local governments. The result has undermined the fiscal stability of local governments. The result has undermined the fiscal stability of local governments. The result has undermined the fiscal stability of local governments. The result has undermined the fiscal stability of local governments.

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