FB Farm Program

FB Farm Program Bills in Congress

The American Farm Bureau’s proposals for improvements in farm price support and agricultural production legislation are based on the foundation of two bills introduced in the House of Congress on April 12.

The bills, HR-8578 by Rep. Thomas R. Martin (R) of Iowa and HR-8739 by Rep. A. S. Helong (D) of Florida, have been referred to the House Committee on Agriculture. Similar legislation is expected to be introduced in the Senate.

Representative Martin said, “We should make certain that price support policies and programs serve the long-term interests of farmers and consumers. Any program that is expected to cost $500,000 a day in storage charges can be improved. Any program that seeks to solve the surplus problems of one crop by diverting acreage to another acreage to produce price depressing surpluses of unsupplemented crops and livestock sends revision if it is to serve the interest of the consumer.”

The American Farm Bureau said the Martin and Helong bills carry out the major recommendations of the AFBI convention of Chicago last December. The bills contain AFBI proposals for flexible price support, 90% of parity for support of farm crops, the FIRST year marketing quotas and in effect, in order to provide time to bring input into line. A provision for a “soil fertility bank,” requires that the farmers submit soil of the crop to be grown and build or improve the soil fertility to relieve insofar as possible the problems of one crop by diverting acreage to another acreage to produce price depressing surpluses of unsupplemented crops and livestock.

Michigan Week

May 2 to 8

The week of May 2 to 8 is the first ever devoted by the House and Senate to legislation bills. An educational program is sponsored by Greater Gadow, Michigan, Inc., in cooperation with the Michigan Economic Development Commission, other State agencies and the American Farm Bureau.

Cities and villages will hold special programs this week. There will be parades. Theatres will have special showings. Citizens will have exhibits and participate in their places of business.

The Michigan Farm Bureau has joined with State, business, civic, educational and social groups in “This is Your Michigan” program. Greater Gadow, Michigan, Inc., will be carrying on special activities andKIT growth in the State. The Farm Bureau holds its first planning meeting April 16, at noon at the State Journal, Lansing. Membership is invited.

How Farm Bureau Fared in 1954

Apply to Spend $270, Less $56.80

Try to Spend $270, Less $56.80

Propose Sale Of Detroit Packing Co.

The Detroit Packing Co. is expected to supply our Community Farm Bureau salesmen with a complete line of products for their customers in April. The following marketing quotas are expected to be sold in Farm Bureau stores:

- Beef
- Pork
- Lamb
- Chicken
- Dairy Products
- Eggs
- Fruits
- Vegetables
- Canned Goods

Michigan Farm News

Vol. 2, No. 5

MAY 1, 1954

32nd Year

Published Monthly

Legislation

Fights were over Milk Legislation

Michigan Farm Bureau Pleased with Action Taken On Many Resolutions Made By Membership to Legislature

STANLEY M. POWELL

Legistative Director, Michigan Farm Bureau

Owen C. Deatrick, Lansing correspondent of the Detroit Free Press, has made good as a prophet. November 22, 1953, he had a signed article in the Free Press beginning with these words, “LANSING—Smart lawmakers have an advance blueprint of what is going to happen in the next session of the Michigan Legislature. There’s no need to consult fortune-tellers—all they have to do is pay close attention to the resolutions approved by the Michigan Farm Bureau at East Lansing 10 days ago.”

Deatrick then went on with a two-column article simplifying that theme and backing it up with what he believed to be the most important resolutions. He concluded that it’s time to check up on Mr. Deatrick and see how his predictions actually panned out during the recent 90-day legislative session.

Let’s take a look at what was actually enacted in line with the program laid down by the voting delegates at the recent Farm Bureau Legislative Session at Lansing.

Milk Legislation.

Two of the shortest resolutions precipitated the Farm Bureau into the hottest controversy of the session. The Michigan Farm Bureau resolution hereinafter referred to as Resolution 276, which the delegates had adopted to remove the ban on some milk devices in Michigan and to outlaw state milk laws.

Measures embodying these provisions, namely 18-241, legalizing dispensers and 1-21, manufacturing and sale of milk products, were financtually defeated by the very effective efforts of a potent lobby. Every interest that thought that it might be able to influence this bill by passage of resolutions, which the delegates had adopted to remove the ban on some milk devices in Michigan and to outlaw state milk laws.

Sales Tax Division. The MFB delegates had approved the principles of the “Conlon Plan” to amend Michigan’s income tax law relative to the sales tax. This plan was adopted by the necessary 2-2 vote of the Representative and Senators and will be on the November, 1954 ballot. The committee appointed to study this problem will explain in detail just what changes would be brought about by adoption of the new plan.

The delegates had hoped that Michigan’s commercial fertilizer law be brought up to date. In the past, bills that we had supported on this subject either died in committee or were defeated on the Senate floor. This year the same bill regarding which we made so little progress in the past was approved unanimously in both houses.

The delegates had added that Michigan’s commercial fertilizer law be brought up to date. In the past, bills that we had supported on this subject either died in committee or were defeated on the Senate floor. This year the same bill regarding which we made so little progress in the past was approved unanimously in both houses.

The delegates had added that Michigan’s commercial fertilizer law be brought up to date. In the past, bills that we had supported on this subject either died in committee or were defeated on the Senate floor. This year the same bill regarding which we made so little progress in the past was approved unanimously in both houses.

The delegates had added that Michigan’s commercial fertilizer law be brought up to date. In the past, bills that we had supported on this subject either died in committee or were defeated on the Senate floor. This year the same bill regarding which we made so little progress in the past was approved unanimously in both houses.

The delegates had added that Michigan’s commercial fertilizer law be brought up to date. In the past, bills that we had supported on this subject either died in committee or were defeated on the Senate floor. This year the same bill regarding which we made so little progress in the past was approved unanimously in both houses.

The delegates had added that Michigan’s commercial fertilizer law be brought up to date. In the past, bills that we had supported on this subject either died in committee or were defeated on the Senate floor. This year the same bill regarding which we made so little progress in the past was approved unanimously in both houses.

The delegates had added that Michigan’s commercial fertilizer law be brought up to date. In the past, bills that we had supported on this subject either died in committee or were defeated on the Senate floor. This year the same bill regarding which we made so little progress in the past was approved unanimously in both houses.
Community Farm Bureaus

GRRS M. MARJORIE GABER
Secretary-Treasurer

Dear Community Farm Bureau Members:

I offer you this communication with the hope that the report may be of interest and help in the movement for better local Farm Bureaus. It is a summary of the state and national Farm Bureau activities, and contains sections on the activities of the various district bureaus. It is my hope that you will find it helpful in your work and that you will feel free to call on me for any information you may need.

I would like to mention that the purpose of this report is to provide a means for keeping our members informed of the activities of the Farm Bureau. It is my belief that this is the best way to keep our members informed of the work that is being done and to keep them interested in the organization.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

M. Marjorie Gaber
Secretary-Treasurer

Michigan Farm Bureau

How Kalamazoo Honors Former Directors

Here is a program that honors the past presidents of the Kalamazoo County Farm Bureau.

How to Notify Your Local Community Farm Bureau

The Michigan Farm Bureau has provided a plan to help you locate your local Community Farm Bureau and bring them into their fold. They have provided a program to help you locate your local Community Farm Bureau and bring them into their fold. They have provided a program to help you locate your local Community Farm Bureau and bring them into their fold. They have provided a program to help you locate your local Community Farm Bureau and bring them into their fold.

Michigan Men Lead Fight For Farm Bill

Announcements on the following pages are not to be considered as official, but are given as a public service. They are the result of inquiries made by the Michigan Farm Bureau and its representatives, and are intended to be of interest to the members of the Farm Bureau and to the public at large.

CLASSIFIED ADS

Small classified advertising is now available. The Michigan Farm Bureau has decided to make this service available to its members. These ads are for sale at six for $1.00. They are available in any quantity, and space is limited.

You can't prevent this

Michigan Farm Bureau

You can prevent yourself Financially

with State Mutual's "All-In-One" Protection Plan

This plan is designed to fit the needs of today's families. It provides protection against fire, theft, and other perils. It is simple to understand and easy to use. It is available at any State Mutual office.

State Mutual Insurance Company

For more information, please contact your local State Mutual office.
FB Services in Far-Reaching Finance Program

Retiring Old Stock On Rotation Plan

Plans Made to Increase Farmer-Owned Capital in Services Through Investment and Retains

Farm Bureau Services, Inc. is engaged in a far-reaching financial program which includes a continuous retirement of patronage dividend and investment stock on a scheduled basis.

We have asked Jack Yanger, general manager of Farm Bureau Services, to tell us about it.

"The way is now open," says Mr. Yanger, "to retire the older, outstanding patronage dividend and investment stock of Farm Bureau Services, Inc., on what we hope to be a more short-term rotation plan. The way is open to build up the newly capital farmers and their cooperatives have invested in Farm Bureau Services.

"We feel certain that over the period of years we can retire the stock now outstanding. We have analyzed the Farm Bureau Services business over a long period of time. We have projected the information on our earning power into the future. Our experience demonstrates that this financing program can be accomplished.

"The rapidity with which this can be done depends, of course, upon the volume of business done with Farm Bureau Services by farmers, cooperatives and farmers.

"Under a policy set by the Farm Bureau Services board of directors, there will be no expansion of Farm Bureau Services activities unless farmers wanting a new service, if a building program, will subscribe the new capital.

Farmers Face Problem in Water Supply

S. F. KAORE

No Legislator Objected

"There is no cash problem," says Mr. Yanger, "in the primary program. A little more than $1,000,000 was paid last year. In only three other years was the amount spent $74,300,000,000 last year. In only three other years was the amount spent $74,300,000,000 last year. Those were war years-and possibly stock for other years. Services," Farm Bureau Services called in for "The growth fertilizer plant built to present and discuss the FBS services," in 1951. The plan has been in operation for the past two years.

"In its closing days, the legislature adopted a measure setting up a water study commission. This is in line with the Michigan Farm Bureau Services adoption in an earlier state.

Retiring Old Stock

"In closing days, the legislature adopted a measure setting up a water study commission. This is in line with the Michigan Farm Bureau Services adoption in an earlier state.

"The new legislation should be of value in the planning of irrigation systems. It is easy to demonstrate that this financing program can be accomplished on a long period of time. We have projected the information on our earning power into the future. Our experience demonstrates that this financing program can be accomplished.

Farm Bureau Says It's Like This

Hog Cholera May Return This Year

"If you plant oats on land where there was corn the year before, you may get less oats that if it had been left fallow," said R. C. Reed, Michigan State College's extension veterinarian. 

"The crop is normal when they are planted down.

Buy Farm Bureau Bonds.

"If you plant oats on land where there was corn the year before, you may get less oats that if it had been left fallow," said R. C. Reed, Michigan State College's extension veterinarian. 

"The crop is normal when they are planted down. You have received, we recommend that the legislature take the necessary steps to build such a program."
In the southern part of the state, it can be seeded to a legume. Buckwheat would have a lot of five to six pecks per acre. With the amount of lime needed, across any slopes. Sowing the rye with tight one and started to restore the organic matter in green manure must be well in- 

What Cost does the Walker farm to see the results of his work. Fertilizer and seed costs will clear and farmed. to restore sand lands. 

THE NEXT step is to sow rye plowed down, the field is ready. It should be turned down when early will give it a chance to 

Mr. Walker as a school teacher and extension worker planted on time. Lime and plenty VARIE 

March 7. Farm Bureau officials say it is a fact that domestic farms constitute a minor meat-producing factor, 221 MICHIGAN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY 

Buckwheat is the first crop to ripen and it can be harvested earlier than any other as long as the seed is mature. Buckwheat is a weed of the field, and in the case of widespread areas that are infested with weeds, the land is left unharvested. 

THE NEXT step is to sow rye plowed down, the field is ready. It should be turned down when early will give it a chance to 

THE WALKER farm is a good example of what can be done. They have done a good job of farming and the land is in good shape. In all cases, the land is in good shape. In all cases. The Walker farm is a good example of what can be done. They have done a good job of farming and the land is in good shape. In all cases, the land is in good shape. In all cases.
Barry Co. FB Members Start Group Life Plan

First of Its Kind
In the Nation

National attention has been attracted to a unique project by which more than 600 members of the Barry County Farm Bureau have succeeded in obtaining the special advantages of group life insurance.

This achievement, which was celebrated with a victory party at Hastings April 20, is significant to all Michigan Farm Bureau members because the same opportunity is open to them.

The chief advantage of group life insurance is its unusually low cost. Millions of industrial employees have obtained this protection, it is considered so valuable as to be an essential part of any employment benefit that the biggest unions have insisted upon in their contracts with management.

Now, because of the success of the Barry County program, Farm Bureau members throughout Michigan will have their first opportunity to obtain the same kind of protection determining how soon group life insurance can be obtained this way. It is considered so valuable as to be an essential part of any employment benefit. Millions of industrial employees have obtained this protection, it is considered so valuable as to be an essential part of any employment benefit that the biggest unions have insisted upon in their contracts with management.

The matter of attendance at the meeting, which was held in the board room of the Barry County Farm Bureau offices, was discussed. The question of attendance and participation in Community Farm Bureau is always important. Members who attend regularly become better informed members. The importance of developing a nucleus of members who attend regularly is to be recognized. Attendance and participation in Community Farm Bureau is always important. Members who attend regularly become better informed members. The importance of developing a nucleus of members who attend regularly is to be recognized.

The success of the program was emphasized in the meeting, along with the need for other groups to follow the example of the Barry County Farm Bureau. The matter of attendance and participation in Community Farm Bureau is always important. Members who attend regularly become better informed members. The importance of developing a nucleus of members who attend regularly is to be recognized.

The average attendance was 15%. These figures are rather startling when it is considered that there were generally a very few of the members attended and participated where the group life insurance is generally a very few of the members attended and participated where the group life insurance is considered. The average attendance in Barry County is high, even with many more people present for the first time.

The average attendance in Barry County is high, even with many more people present for the first time. The average attendance in Barry County is high, even with many more people present for the first time.

The average attendance in Barry County is high, even with many more people present for the first time. The average attendance in Barry County is high, even with many more people present for the first time.

The average attendance in Barry County is high, even with many more people present for the first time. The average attendance in Barry County is high, even with many more people present for the first time.
Kalamazoo Fertilizer Plant Push Button Marvel

Makes Granulated Plant Foods

Everything is Mechanical in Plant Which Will Make 40,000 Tons of High Analysis Plant Foods Per Year.

Years ago you associated fertilizer plants with work and smelly fields. Now exist the new Kalamazoo plant of the Farm Bureau Services, Inc., at Olivetdale, near Kalamazoo. The plant is one of the modernized plants operated by the Farm Bureau Services in the nation. It has a capacity of 40,000 tons of fertilizer per year.

The interior of the plant is a maze of structural steel, conveyor belts, chutes, elevators, hoppers, and cooling bins. The materials are all dealt under a closed circuit. A push button operation controls the entire plant. The materials are dumped into the plant and handled by the machines to make the finished product.

The raw materials are dumped into a pit alongside the plant. An auger scoops the raw materials into a hopper, and the hopper feeds the materials to an elevator. The elevator feeds the raw materials to the mixing machine, and the mixing machine makes a batch of fertilizer. The fertilizer is then packaged in bags and sent to the customer.

The materials are transformed into a more finished product in the mixing machine. The materials are mixed and screened to the proper size. The fertilizer is then packaged in bags and sent to the customer.

The finished product is then sent to the customer. The fertilizer is packed in bags and sent to the customer. The customer then uses the fertilizer to grow their crops.

Farms now have a modernized plant to make fertilizer. The plant is operated by the Farm Bureau Services. The plant is a modernized plant that makes fertilizer. The fertilizer is made by mixing the raw materials in the mixing machine. The fertilizer is then packaged in bags and sent to the customer.

Farms now have a modernized plant to make fertilizer. The plant is operated by the Farm Bureau Services. The plant is a modernized plant that makes fertilizer. The fertilizer is made by mixing the raw materials in the mixing machine. The fertilizer is then packaged in bags and sent to the customer.

Kalamazoo Fertilizer Plant Push Button Marvel

Why Not Join the Farm Bureau Today?

For more information on how to join the Farm Bureau, please visit their website at www.farmbureau.org.
MICHIGAN FARM NEWS

Benson’s Letter to Michigan Dairy Farmers

Dust Bowl Thwarted

Slightly

Recent rains have given slight relief to some of the western
struggling areas. However, govern-
ment officials are saying that April 26 did not solve the situation of extreme

drought. The above effects think that such

situations should be on the alert in the

continual grass growing of some of the

problem’s given up to meet the

world.

Their Help is An Expanded Market

In Michigan Forst

One of agriculture’s biggest problems is also one of the rea-

sons for its success.

The situation in the market shows that there are millions of

people who can and should drink an extra cup of milk each week and at a few additional

prices. The dairy industry faces an expanded market every day.

At present the dairy in the United States is suffering from pro-

duction and market problems that stem from increasing out-

put. Building or establishing new plants is expensive. It is important to see that

these problems are not in a market situation. The government now has more than

12,000,000,000 pounds of dairy products in storage. This is a serious situation to

independent producers of our dairy industry.

For this reason, the Pacific States dairy council has

enforced a regulation made necessary by the present market situa-

tion. The regulation is designed to bring about a more

fundamental way of doing this to produce a more

conception.

WILLIAM V. HARSHBERGER, chairperson of the council, said in the results with 50,000 in Farm Bureau membership.

Mr. Harshberger was one of the original members of the council in 1939. He believes that his organization is the largest in the world.

In the first year of its existence, there were only 20 members. Today, there are more than 50,000 members. Among these are 20,000 new members who have joined since the last report of the council.

The growth of this organization has been steady and continuous. The council has been able to accomplish this growth by cooperation with other organizations and agencies.

Richard W. Christie, president of the Council, said, “The council is more than a dairy organization. It is a farm organization that deals with all aspects of agriculture.”

The council’s goal is to promote the growth of the dairy industry by providing information and assistance to its members. It also works to improve the image of the dairy industry and to promote its products.

Rigid Supports Lose on Test Vote

On a critical test of strength in the Senate April 27, dairy marketing associations were defeated by a vote of 40 to 14. It was introduced by Senator Young (D-Mich.) as the proposed bill of L. S. S. (L. S. S.) for the new bill of 1939 on dairy marketing associations.

The bill, which had been rejected in the last Congress, was reintroduced by Senator Young and was referred to a committee. The committee then reported the bill favorably to the Senate.

The Senate Agriculture Committee is now beginning hearings on the farm bill, but we never thought of this bill on a farm marketing associations.

Said Senator Young, "The dairy marketing associations are an essential part of our farm program.

The Senate Agriculture Committee has already reported favorably on the farm bill and I hope that this bill will also be reported favorably.

The Senate Agriculture Committee is expected to report back to the Senate on the farm bill sometime this month.

FARM BUREAU SERVICES, INC.

211 C. N. D. Lansing, Michigan

Time to Paint UP - Clean Up with UNICO PAINTS

Unico paints are laboratory and weathered to give you positive protection and long-lasting good appearance. There is a wide range of colors to choose from in exterior and interior paints. Stop in and make your selection today.

FARM BUREAU LIFE INSURANCE

FARM BUREAU LIFE INSURANCE

TREAT YOURSELF TO THE BEST
Ask for genuine MAIL POUCH TOBACCO

This hot weather makes my mouth dry. As a bone.

Son! There’s an easy way to fix this - CHEW MAIL POUCH TOBACCO

Enjoy tobacco a man’s way

Chewing is a man’s way to enjoy tobacco. Blackwell pipes their tobacco to give it a richer flavor. They say the tobacco is the best because they put extra care into it. They do it for a reason. Chewing is the only way to enjoy tobacco properly.

But why do it? It is the only way to enjoy tobacco properly. Chewing is a man’s way to enjoy tobacco.

Treat yourself to the best. Ask for genuine MAIL POUCH TOBACCO.
Meeting the Challenge of Township Government
Community Farm Bureau Discussion Topic for May

DONALD D. KINSEY
Coordinator, Community Research

Delegation to Michigan Farm Bureau annual meeting
Nov. 12-13, 1953 made this about township government:

"We view with alarm any attempt that would make or deprive township supervisors of any of their present functions, and we urge that each Community Farm Bureau designate one of its members to attend such a meeting of the County Farm Bureau or the Community Group in its area meeting."

We believe it important that any legislation be considered that will be willing to do our part to make good government a reality in our local communities.

The challenge to township government was the top choice of the Community Groups on the recent ballot on topics for Farm Bureau discussion groups. And wisely, as for there has been no need of pace by opponents of local government systems.

Last year we saw the effort to remove the authority of the township supervisors to act as tax assessors and to create a county assessor. The legislative session of 1954 brought new and different efforts to weaken the powers of local government. General efforts for 1954 included the powers of tax assessment in the State Tax Commission and the State Board of Equalization.

House Bill 353 in its original form, would have given power to any board of education to appeal to the State Tax Commission against the valuations established by the supervisors. This would have forced Supervisors to bring the tax rolls before the State Tax Commission for review of their assessments.

The changes made in the amendments to the State Tax Commission would be binding upon the board of supervisors for two years. Only the State Tax Commission could change the valuations and assessments during that time.

Amendments to the bill were introduced by Representative Clements before it passed the House. These amendments put the control of such action back into the hands of the supervisors. It has passed the Senate and the House at present standing. Let us not forget the original intent and aim which would limit the authority of the supervisors considerably.

And let us take notice of each bill as Senate Bill 1265 and S-1266 which were designed to create the state equalization formula as a basis upon which local tax valuations are spaced. These bills have come within 11 and 1/2 votes of passing the House, and that is close. They passed the Senate! Under these bills the county board of supervisors would have been required to apply the state equalization formula to the tax rolls of the county and to attach the tax rolls to the state formula each year. The state-established quota upon the local taxpayers.

The challenge to township government was the top choice of the Community Groups on the recent ballot on topics for Farm Bureau discussion groups. And wisely, as for there has been no need of pace by opponents of local government systems.

Last year we saw the effort to remove the authority of the township supervisors to act as tax assessors and to create a county assessor. The legislative session of 1954 brought new and different efforts to weaken the powers of local government. General efforts for 1954 included the powers of tax assessment in the State Tax Commission and the State Board of Equalization.

House Bill 353 in its original form, would have given power to any board of education to appeal to the State Tax Commission against the valuations established by the supervisors. This would have forced Supervisors to bring the tax rolls before the State Tax Commission for review of their assessments.

The changes made in the amendments to the State Tax Commission would be binding upon the board of supervisors for two years. Only the State Tax Commission could change the valuations and assessments during that time.

Amendments to the bill were introduced by Representative Clements before it passed the House. These amendments put the control of such action back into the hands of the supervisors. It has passed the Senate and the House at present standing. Let us not forget the original intent and aim which would limit the authority of the supervisors considerably.

And let us take notice of each bill as Senate Bill 1265 and S-1266 which were designed to create the state equalization formula as a basis upon which local tax valuations are spaced. These bills have come within 11 and 1/2 votes of passing the House, and that is close. They passed the Senate! Under these bills the county board of supervisors would have been required to apply the state equalization formula to the tax rolls of the county and to attach the tax rolls to the state formula each year. The state-established quota upon the local taxpayers.

The changes made in the amendments to the State Tax Commission would be binding upon the board of supervisors for two years. Only the State Tax Commission could change the valuations and assessments during that time.

Amendments to the bill were introduced by Representative Clements before it passed the House. These amendments put the control of such action back into the hands of the supervisors. It has passed the Senate and the House at present standing. Let us not forget the original intent and aim which would limit the authority of the supervisors considerably.

And let us take notice of each bill as Senate Bill 1265 and S-1266 which were designed to create the state equalization formula as a basis upon which local tax valuations are spaced. These bills have come within 11 and 1/2 votes of passing the House, and that is close. They passed the Senate! Under these bills the county board of supervisors would have been required to apply the state equalization formula to the tax rolls of the county and to attach the tax rolls to the state formula each year. The state-established quota upon the local taxpayers.

The changes made in the amendments to the State Tax Commission would be binding upon the board of supervisors for two years. Only the State Tax Commission could change the valuations and assessments during that time.

Amendments to the bill were introduced by Representative Clements before it passed the House. These amendments put the control of such action back into the hands of the supervisors. It has passed the Senate and the House at present standing. Let us not forget the original intent and aim which would limit the authority of the supervisors considerably.

And let us take notice of each bill as Senate Bill 1265 and S-1266 which were designed to create the state equalization formula as a basis upon which local tax valuations are spaced. These bills have come within 11 and 1/2 votes of passing the House, and that is close. They passed the Senate! Under these bills the county board of supervisors would have been required to apply the state equalization formula to the tax rolls of the county and to attach the tax rolls to the state formula each year. The state-established quota upon the local taxpayers.