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Farm Bureau's 1956 Goal is 70,000 Families

What MFB Did at **36th Convention**

The 36th annual meeting of the Michigan Farm Bureau at Michigan State University Nov. 10-11 brought together 660 voting delegates from 64 County Farm Bureaus. They represented the membership of 65,830 farm families.

This is a summary of what the convention did:

1-The delegates heard and approved the annual report of J. F. Yaeger, executive secretary, treasurer and general manager, and the annual report of C. L. Brody, executive vice-president in charge of public affairs. Mr. Yaeger's report is presented on page 1.

2-The convention made recommendations to the American Farm Bureau convention at Chicago in December on the national farm program. The MFB resolutions included full support for flexible price supports and firm opposition to a restoration of rigid 90% of parity price supports and direct production payments.

3-The Michigan Farm Bureau made recommendations for sales and export programs to dispose of farm surpluses. It supported consideration on a temporary basis of the proposed land rental and soil fertility bank programs as methods for bringing farm production more nearly in line with consumption. The national farm policy resolutions are published on page 3 of this edition.

4-The delegates adopted resolutions of policy and program on highways, schools, taxation and many other matters of interest within the state. See page 5 for the resolutions on state affairs.

5-Seven directors of a board of 15 were elected for two year terms, as follows:

District 1-In this district Max K. Hood of Paw Paw, Ban Buren county, was elected in a close contest with the veteran Russell Hazel of Richland, Kalamazoo county.

District 3-Allen F. Rush of Lake Orion, Oakland county, will represent this district. He succeeds Herman Howeisen of Clinton, Washtenaw county. Mr. Howeisen retired.



Nothing Butters Like Butter, exhibits at the State Fair have tubs of butter and cheese that superintendent of the State Fair This display from the State Fair been sold, with no further use of earn such award, and they will dairy products exhibit; Charles was given new life and effective- their promotion value. The popu- accompany the products for dis- Stone, secretary-manager of the paid in the first week. We urge every member to co ness as a window exhibit in one larity of this exhibit at the Green- play by the buyers. American Dairy Ass'n of Michiof the well-known restaurants in field restaurant encourages more

of this work next year. The Fair shared by D. L. Murray, dairy Briggs Dairy Products Sales or- this month. downtown Detroit In past years the dairy products will furnish blue ribbons for the extension specialist at MSU and ganization of Detroit,

as a Year of Growth

J. F. YAEGER

Executive Secretary of the Michigan Farm Bureau

Annual report to the 36th annual meeting of the board of delegates of the Michigan Farm Bureau at Michigan State University, November 10-11, 1955.

The Package of the Michigan Farm Bureau continues to grow in all dimensions:

The membership of the Michigan Farm Bureau hit a new high this past year when 65,830 farm families in this state joined hands "to do together what none can do alone."

Farm supply volume of Farm Bureau Services, Inc., totaled \$21,500,000 to top last year's by nearly a million dollars. This is testimony to the confidence Michigan farmers have in the Farm Bureau Services, Inc., program of guaranteed quality products.

Growth of Farm Bureau insurances continues to

in Farm Bureau Services, Inc., the and are protected by \$4,000,000 of first of the subsidiaries of Farm life insurance. The Farm Bureau Bureau to be organized, shows Life Insurance Company has also that fertilizer sales increased 46%. provided group life insurance for Feed held its own. Seed sales Farm Bureau employees totaling showed a dollar volume increase \$1,122,000. Ninety percent of all over that of a year ago totaling employees have taken advantage and 1,600,000 farm families in Farm Bureau in the na-\$52.245. of this opportunity.

Steel, twine, and creosoted poles The total number of employees sales were up. Paint and asphalt of the various Farm Companies, roofing sales showed a decline, exclusive of insurance agents, is These are the primary commodities handled by Farm Bureau ties throughout the State. 722. They work in 34 communi-

> Farmers Petroleum Cooperative, its service companies. Inc., is the direct bulk-plant to farm delivery service started last year as a pilot operation. Savings possible through this selfmand that is rapidly developing the program on a state-wide basis troleum cooperatives is not now available. allied m Liquid fuels an

Drive for 11,830 New Members

Workers Want to Invite Every Farmer Who is Not Now a Member to Join And Share in the Benefits

EINAR E. UNGREN

Five thousand Farm Bureau Roll Call workers will carry the invitation to Farm Bureau membership to farmers the week of December 5 to 12.

The state goal is 70,000 family memberships.

Roll Call workers will devote themselves to securing 11,830 new members. They want to invite every farmer not now a member of Farm Bureau to join the organization and to share in the benefits.

All present Farm Bureau members have received no tices of 1956 dues by mail. More than 11,000 were Credit for this promotion is gan, and Gordon Briggs of the operate by mailing his dues to the County Secretary

> Roll Call managers, area men, and captains from more than 1,000 townships in 64 counties were to attend the Farm Bureau Jamboree day at Lansing's new Civic Audi torium December 2 to launch the Roll Call.

> County Farm Bureau kick-off meetings for Roll Call vorkers are scheduled for December 5.

Why be a member of Farm Bureau?

To join hands with 70,000 farm families in Michigan tion "to do together what none can do alone."

The benefits are many.

This edition carries on page 1 the annual report of Mr. J. F. Yaeger, executive secretary, on the services A new development of the in 1955 to members by the Michigan Farm Bureau and

More than 42,000 farm families have Blue Cross hospital-surgical-medical insurance on the group plan serve program has created a de- through their Community Farm Bureaus.

Of great importance in the national issues of the day where service through local pe- is what Congress will do about national farm policy in 1956. The Farm Bureau is spokesman for 1,600,000 ducts farm families who have shaped its policy.

District 5-Dale Dunckel of Williamston, Ingham county, was elected to succeed Marten Garn of Charlotte, Eaton county, long a member of the board.

District 7-Thomas Hahn of Rodney, Mecosta county, was re-elected.

District 9-Ren A. DeRuiter of McBain, Missaukee county, was re-elected.

Director-at-large: Walter W. Wightman, of Fennville, Allegan county, was re-elected.

Women of Farm Bureau-Mrs. Carlton Ball of Albion. Calhoun county, was re-elected.

The board of directors will organize by electing a president and vice-president at their next regular meeting. The present officers are: President, Ward G. Hodge, of Snover, Sanilac county; vice-president, Blaque Knirk of Quincy, Branch county.

The board re-engaged J. F. Yaeger as executive secretary, treasurer, and general manager. C. L. Brody was re-engaged as executive vice-president in charge of public affairs.

AFBF 37th Annual Meeting Dec. 11-15

Michigan will be represented by about 175 persons at the 37th annual meeting of the American Farm Bureau Federation at Chicago, December 11 - 15.

The most important business of the convention will be the consideration and adoption of resolutions of Farm Bureau policy on national and international issues.

This meeting is the climax of Bureaus. months of study, discussion and debate by the Community, County and State Farm Bureaus. The resolutions adopted on national

will be national policy for the entire Farm Bureau organization. This year the AFBF convention will elect a president, a vicepresident, and several members to the board of directors.

Those attending from Michigan for the various meetings and conferences will include: Michigan Farm Bureau board of directors, MFB company and division heads, member service staff eleven top ranking agents from the insurance companies, and many leaders from County Farm

Voting delegates from Michiissues. gan are these members of the 30,000 month. state board of directors: Ward G. Hodge, Robert E. Smith, Gleason farm policy and other matters Halliwill, Albert A. Brindley, and Albert Shellenbarger. Convention headquarters will

be at the Sherman hotel. General sessions will be at the Civic Opera House. Conferences and other meetings will be at the Sherman and Morrison hotels.

Registration starts at the Sherman Sunday. Several meetings will be held for women, young people, and insurance groups.

Monday, Dec. 12, these preconvention meetings will be held: Friendship," an American Coun-(Continued on page 2.)

be spectacular. Fifty-five thousand automobile insurance policies mark a new high in this service to Farm Bureau members only.

Four thousand fire insurance policies protect \$45,000,000 worth of farm property. The fire insurance program is just over one year old.

The Farm Bureau Life Insurance Company, starting four years ago, has written 22,000 policies providing life insurance benefits of \$54,000,000. The 1960 goal is set at \$100,000,000.

Farmers Petroleum Cooperative, Inc., the fourth "service to members" subsidiary of the Michigan Farm Bureau, reached a new high with \$4,716,802 volume during the past fiscal year.

This company now owns or has a substantial interest in 182 operating oil wells located in central Michigan and southern Illinois. Two wells were drilled in 1955 on our lease in the Headquarters field in Roscommon county, Michigan. Both wells are excellent producers. We are continuing drilling operations in this field.

This program of securing crude petroleum so as to assure Michigan farmers a known source for quality oil, gasoline and fuel oil will continue during the years ahead. The goal is to own or control a sufficient amount of crude oil which, when refined, will meet 75% of our distribution requirements.

Delta and Menominee counties.

which the Michigan Farm Bureau Policy making in the Farm Buone of the highest groups in the organized it has paid over reau was carried on in 1474 Comnunity Farm Bureau meetings in 65 counties. This means that for every week day of each month there was an average of 69 groups tion of over \$600; and a collection meeting to discuss vital farm of over \$1200 for the Japanese An average of 25,000 to student program, members attend each

The Junior Farm Bureau mempership campaign, closing June 15, office building just out of the city More than 10,000 voluntary 1955, resulted in an enrollment of of Lansing on Highway US-16. leaders serve as members of 1,232 members, with another 576 The building is one of the most reported in August. New Junior modern office buildings, bringing County Farm Bureau Boards, as community officers and as volun-Farm Bureaus were organized in together for the first time in the tary membership workers. Or-Branch and Cheboygan counties. history of the Farm Bureau all ganization activities began this

ncluded a leadership training Lansing area. As a result efficiyear in the Upper Peninsula in camp at Clear Lake; an annual cafeteria at the Ionia County The Women of Farm Bureau Fair; a fruit juice stand at the has been much improved. have organized committees in Michigan State Fair; and responsievery Farm Bureau county. Projbility for the "milk bar" at the Company is the introduction of ects in which the Women of Farm Michigan State Fair which was a low cost group insurance to Farm Bureau participated in the past year included: "Pennies for Association. try Women of the World project in

A review of the yoar's activities taken advantage of this benefit this winter,



J. F. YAEGER

ton with not only members of Services, Inc. They account for Congress, but with Cabinet of-\$12,542,969 of the total wholesale ficials and, in fact, with advisors sales. to the President himself. State-

decade shows farmer investment AFBF officers and staff that point increased from \$1,500,000 to field.

nearly \$6,000,000 with total A tabulation of the accomplishvolume increasing from \$9,000,000 ments at the state level in 1955 to \$21,638,000 and total assets from show that 32 bills favored by the \$1,800,000 to \$8,878,000. Michigan Farm Bureau were

passed by both branches of the Farm Bureau insurance "serlegislature. Twenty-four measures vice-to-member only" programs have resulted in broad benefits, opposed by the Michigan Farm improved services, a good return Bureau were defeated at some stage during on investment, with a general dividend program to an ever in- process.

creasing number of policyholders. Total assets for the Farm Buon, representing farmers through reau Mutual and Farm Bureau organized effort, presenting the Life Insurance Companies are in rural point of view, not only to excess of \$6,000,000. This is a state and national law making growth from \$236,000 in the Farm bodies, but to leaders of other

Bureau Mutual Insurance Comeconomic groups as well. pany, organized in 1948, and As was stated in the beginning, \$310,000 in the Farm Bureau Life growth and service during the nie. Insurance Company organized in last year has been good. Oppor-1951. tunity for additional services and Pullman. To date 55,000 automobile policies are held by Farm Bureau expansion lies ahead. Accomplishmembers. In the four years the ments to date are the result of Posen women collected over \$1100, being Life Insurance Company has been farm people working together through organized effort.

United States; nurse recruitment \$113,000 in death claims; \$46,000 Continued cooperation is bound program collecting over \$300; Sis- dividends to stockholders, and to secure additional benefits. ter Kenny program with a collec- \$170,000 in dividends to policyholders.

MILK IN SCHOOLS

canaba.

More than 90 per cent of Mich-A major accomplishment of the igan's school children are now, two insurance companies this past drinking milk under the special year was the erection of a new federal program.

BULK MILK TANK If you're thinking of buying a bulk milk tank, be sure to consider one that will take care of State activities during the year employees and activities in the future herd expansion.

WINTER EGGS ency of operation and improved It pays to keep eggs in a storage services to Farm Bureau people

cooler even in the winter months. says Larry Dawson, MSU poultry A special feature of the Life researcher.

Store liquid chemical weed killproject of the American Dairy Bureau members in nine counties. ers and insecticides where freez- lan, Hubbardston. Four thousand members have ing temperatures won't hit them

We present the Michigan Farm Bureau resolutions on national farm policy, national and international affairs (see page 3). We present the resolutions on state af-The legislative program of the fairs (see page 5). The resolutions were adopted at the

36th annual meeting Nov. 10-11.

These are part of the Farm Bureau program which is the call to membership for 1956.

The success of any program in Farm Bureau is dependent upon the Farm Bureau organization in the counties A comparison over the last ments have been made by the and the states. We need a strong majority of farm famin Farm Bureau Services has to Michigan as a leader in this ilies. Such an organization has power in Congress and elsewhere. Invite your neighbors to join Farm Bureau.

> Why do people join Farm Bureau? Because of information on the Farm Bureau program-and a personal invitation to join. Most members explain why they joined by saying that someone invited them to join.

Our best wishes and sincere appreciation go to the the legislative Roll Call managers, area men, township captains and team workers in 64 County Farm Bureaus. They are

And so Farm Bureau marches the builders of the world's largest and most influential farm organization.

> Following is the list of County Farm Bureaus, their 1956 membership goals, and the Roll Call managers: Alcona-Goal 382, Roll Call Eaton - 1586, Darrell Bacon Manager, Ronald Lombard, Glen- Mulliken. Emmet - 337, George Wanna maker, Petoskey. Allegan-2289, Russel Latchaw, Genesee—1593, Arthur Forbush r., Gr. Blanc Alpena-609, Harvey Hanson, Gladwin-438, Mrs. Gretta Ber Antrim - 510, Duncan Crawry, Gladwin. Gratiot-1585, Raymond J ford, Ellsworth Arenac-471, Ernest Kraushaar, Welsh, Elwell Standish. Barry-1308, Farrell S. Jenk-Hudson ns, Bellevue Bay-1606, Herb Schmidt, Bay Ruth. City Benzle - 241, Collins Reed, Surato, Mason Beulah. Berrien - 2519, Ed Hass, Ber-Ionia. tien Springs. Branch-1745, Peter Knight, Tawas City. Sherwood. Isabella - 1268, Jim Heckard, Calhoun-1613, Carl Heisler, Blanchard, Albion. Cass - 1046, Chester Ball, Do-Clark Lake. Kalamazoo-1271, Carleton agiac. Horsfall, Scotts Charlevoix-410, Louis Jones, Boyne City. Cheboygan-310, Jack Savella, Kalkaska Cheboygan. Clare-250, Alice Davis and Mrs. Edith Raymond, Clare. Caledonia. Clinton - 1648, Robert McMil-Davis, Lapeer. Delta-100, Wesley Hawley, Es-

Lenawee-1804, Marian Good-(Continued from Page 2)

Hillsdale - 1654, Ken Wirick Huron - 2129, Irvin Romzek Ingham - 1254, Mrs. Dorothy

Ionia - 1377, Lester Covert

Iosco-259, Thomas P. Nelkie

Jackson-1254, Mrs. Fred Day

Kalkaska-128, Foster McCool

Kent-1770, Otto Fischer and Elton Smith, Caledonia, R 1.

Lapeer - 1696, Mrs. Horace

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Bureaus

CLARE L. McGHAN Coordinator of Community Farm Bureau for MFB Dear Community Farm Bureau Members:

"To discuss is to sift or examine by presenting considerations pro and con," according to Webster's dictionary. Is this what your Community Farm Bureau group is doing with your discussion?

We have had the opportunity the past several weeks to meet with quite a number of Community group leaders. We find this situation quite often:

"Why aren't the discussion topics more interesting? "We can't get an argument because we either don't know enough

about the topic or everyone is because we didn't know enough | VanBuren is second with 4. Conalready in agreement as to what about it. the answer is.

TALK

IT OVER

Ton

d DECIDE

"How do you get people to discuss when they don't want cuse."

Everyone who has ever had a the position sometime where at the present time 1,487 groups conversation with a friend or some legislation is enacted that in the State. neighbor has been discussing. Discussion is a basic element of much to say "we didn't know." every day life.

Think back today and remember how many times you have discussed something with some-

Can't we apply this principle very easily to our Community group discussion period?

One of the biggest fallacies all other liberties." about discussion is that there needs to be an argument, or two distinct sides to the question.

This is not so!

Very satisfying and educational discussion can be held by exploring the subject.

Yes, we all agree, but why? Many times we have definite ideas about the right and wrong of certain issues, but we haven't explored the issues well enough to be able to defend our position in a showdown.

It is not good enough to just have a position; we must know why and be able to defend it.

Many of the discussion topics attend. fall in the category of education-

gratulations to those responsible The Court will tell you that in Delta and Van Buren. Only 28 "ignorance of the law is no ex- groups have failed to send in setup sheets for new officers. This We as farm people may be in is a very good record. We have

we don't like; it won't help able to award some Silver and Take the opportunity that Gold Star awards to outstanding Farm Bureau gives you through Community Farm Bureaus. The

your Community Group discus- secretary alone cannot get this sion topics to become better in- award for your group; it takes formed about the programs and cooperation and participation on issues that concern farmers. Mac- the part of all the officers and aulay said, "The liberty of dis- members of your Community cussion is the great safeguard of group to make yours not only a

successful, but an outstanding Now is the time that your Com- group. May all Community Farm munity Group Roster Committee Bureau groups be worthy of a should be functioning. This Com- Gold or Silver Star award this

mittee has the responsibility of year. getting on the group roster all those who are considered members of your Community group.

job, but in large groups it neces- mair, Secretary. sitates considerable work. One of the important things is to be sure and get all of the 19-20-year-olds who are considered

a part of the group on the roster. Most of the counties will be having Roster Committee meeting in December. If you are on the Roster Committee be sure and



A Rhyme of Christmas

The sights and sounds of Christmas are the poet's frequent theme They typify that season most uniquely, it would seem. The birthday of the Christ Child calls to mind the sound of bells. While the sight of laughing children of a happy season tells. But, just now I want to emphasize another simple sense: I sing the smells of Christmas, all its happy homely scents.

Remember how the parlor smelled, that bore the Glorious Tree? The tang of balsam needles still means Christmas time to me. Remember how the candle smoke pervaded all the place Like incense of the blessed day for all the human race. Remember how the organges that swelled your stocking out Bore scents of far off sunnier lands, for boys to dream about.

Remember how the pantry shelves were redolent with spice. The pantry, strictly out of bounds for boys, but oh so nice. The perfume of the walnut cake, the pies so brown and rich Caused the youthful mouth to water, made the youthful nostrils twitch.

The berry tarts might not be touched, but geo their elfin smell Wrung avid swallows from my throat, as I remember well.

The kitchen was a scented dream on that momentous day Where Mother and the senior aunts held undisputed sway. As Mother dealt the sagey bird an unctuous libation My senses lapped the odor up. A glorious sensation. While over all, and cloying sweet, the Christmas pudding steam Still permeates, as way back then, the fabric of my dream.

Oh, Christmas is a time to live close to the heart of youth. For Jesus came, a little Child, to bring the light of truth. Still to the young in heart His Word seems evermore addressed To bring to happy people, joy, and to the weary, rest. Then ring again the carillon and peal the holy bells And dream of lovely olden times, and sights, and sounds, and smells.

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

FB Services Promotes



ADOLPH ECKLUND of Lan-, JOHN SEXSON of Lansing Adrian, R-1. sing became manager of the new was promoted November 1 to be Division of Engineering and Con- manager of the Plant Food Manstruction November 1. It will ufacturing Division to succeed

plan and construct plant, ware- Adolph Ecklund, Mr. Sexson was Howell. house and other facilities for first employed by Farm Bureau Farm Bureau Services. Mr. Eck- Services in 1946 at the fertilizer las, Washington, R-1.

Kalamazoo county, Double C.K. lund was first employed by FBS plant at Saginaw. In 1952 he be-Manistee-Harry Taylor, Cope-New Community Farm Bureaus Community Group, Mrs. Forrest in 1940 at the farm supply store came superintendent there, and mish, R-1.

Co. Farm Bureaus

Following are the names and addresses of County Farm Bureau secretaries to whom Michigan Farm Bureau dues for 1956 may be mailed:

Alcona-Mrs. Leroy Sands, Mi- 7690 Ida East Road, Ida. Montcalm-Mrs. Carl Johnson, kado. Alpena-Mrs. Esther Kennedy, Pierson, R-1. Muskegon - Mrs. Mildred Posen, R-1. Church, Holton, R-1. Antrim-Richard Wieland, Ells-Newaygo-Mrs. Carroll Robinworth. on, Grant, R-1. Arenac-Mrs. Ray Simmons, N. W. Michigan-Mrs. Rose-Twining. mary King, 336 W. Front St., Barry-Mrs. Leota Pallas, 121 Traverse City. N. Church St., Hastings. Oakland-Seeley Tinsman, Fen-Bay-Mrs. Russell Madison, ton, R-2. Main and South Henry St., Bay Oceana - Mrs. Hull Yeager, City. Hart, R-3. Benzie-Mrs. Glenn Robotham, Ogemaw-Mrs. Arnold Mat-Beulah, R-1. hews, West Branch. Berrien-Miss Barbra Foster, Osceola-Mrs. Fred A. Johnson, P. O. Box 113, Berrien Springs. Hersey, R-1. Branch-Mrs. Belle Newell, 16 Otsego - Mrs. Walter Miller, N. Hanchett St., Coldwater. Gaylord, R-2.

Calhoun-Mrs. Harry King, Room 16, Town Hall, Marshall. Cass-Mrs. Verneda Schmok, Box 97, Cassopolis. Charlevoix-Mrs. Leslie Sheri-

dan, East Jordan, R-2. Cheboygan-Mrs. Tom Baker, Cheboygan.

Sandusky. Clare-Mrs. Frank Pumphrey, Clare, R-1.

Clinton-Mrs. Helen Murton, 103 E. State St., St. Johns. Delta-Mrs. Clarence Sundquist,

Escanaba, R-1. Eaton-Mrs. Dorothy Anderson,

142 S. Pearl St., Charlotte. Emmet-Mrs. Roscoe Williams,

414 Jackson St., Petoskey. Genesee-Mrs. Gladys Sauntman, G-2501 Flushing Rd., Flint.

Gladwin-Mrs. Dorothy Badger, Gladwin, R-1. Gratiot-Mrs. Wilma Feight, 109

N. Pine River, Ithaca. Hillsdale-Mrs. Gretna Van-Fleet, 47 S. Howell St., Hillsdale. Huron-Mrs. Barbara Bouck,

180 E. Huron St., Bad Axe. Ingham-Mrs. Dorothy Surato, 3561/2 S. Jefferson St., Mason.

Ionia - Mrs. Lester Covert, 1111/2 N. Depot St., Ionia.

garden seed department says that Isabella-Mrs. Marie Farnan, in early 1956 it will pack and de-301 E. Pickard St., Mt. Pleasant. liver Farm Bureau garden seeds , Iosco-Mrs. William Herriman, to more than 100 Farm Bureau

Tawas City. and cooperative dealers. Jackson-G. E. Williams, Spring-The seeds have been contractport, R-1. ed with the most reliable grow-

Kalamazoo - Mrs. Mabel K. Bacon, Kalamazoo, R-5.

Kalkaska-Mrs. Esther Dunlap, growers will supply a carload of Kalkaska, R+1. seeds. Many smaller shipments Kent-Mrs. Arvil Heilman, 204 will be received from growers Kerr Bldg., 6 28th St. S. E., Grand who specialize in certain crops.

Rapids 8. The department had a big Lapeer-Mrs. Helen Swayze, growth in the sales of bulk and 148 W. Park St., Lapeer. packet vegetable and flower seeds

Lenawee-Mrs. Alice Collins, in 1955 from its Lansing and Grand Rapids warehouses. More Livingston-Mrs. Mary Lou Farm Bureau seed dealers are Stevens, 214 N. Walnut St., taking on the vegetable and flow-

Macomb-Mrs. Madaline Doug-

FARM

FACTS

MICHIGAN BELL

How to remove candle wax

To remove spilled candle wax from your best

tablecloth, scrape off as much as you can with a dull knife. Then, put the stained spot be-tween two white blotters, cleansing tissue, or

paper towels, and press with a warm iron.

Use fresh materials when the first ones become

soiled with the melted wax. If some wax re-

mains, Michigan State University experts

suggest sponging out the rest with carbon tetrachloride or other grease solvent.

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Garn President

er seeds line. Services Elects

Ottawa-Mrs. Meple Harrinton,

Presque Isle - Mrs. Herbert

Saginaw-Mrs. Ethel N. Fuller,

Allendale.

Centerville.

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Paull, Hawks.

Box 1169, Saginaw.

nder, Corunna, R-2.

Office 4, Ann Arbor.

Manton, R-3.

Wayne-Mrs. Robert Simmons,

Wexford-Mrs. Laverne Jacobs,

Garden Seed Dep't

The Farm Bureau Services

Program for 1956

1140 Geddes Road, Belleville.

1047 N. Main, Memphis.

Farm Bureau's **1956 Goal**

(Continued from Page 1) lock, Jr. and Clyde Vollmer, Manitou Beach Livingston - 1214, Ed Holmes,

Howell. Macomb-1294, Anthony Rapes, Washington.

Manistee-334, Charles Brown, Dnekama.

Mason-710, James Fitch, Ludngton. Mecosta - 896, Harold McCal-

um, Evart. Midland - 678, Mr. and Mrs.

Arthur Clarke, Coleman. Missaukee-491, Charley Bovn, McBain.

Monroe - 1482, Wilbur Smith, Erie.

Montcalm - 1267, Lee Frisbie, Sidney. Montmorency-193, Beaman

Smith, Atlanta. Muskegon - 576, Alice Allen,

Bailey. Newaygo - 804, Lafe Waters and Kobs Karnematt, Fremont.

N. W. Mich.-1123, George Mc-Mannus, Traverse City.

Oakland - 1237, Seeley Tinsnan, Fenton. Oceana - 819, George Flem-

ming, Shelby. Ogemaw - 417, Don Winslow,

West Branch. Osceola-733, Jesse T. Smith,

Sanilac-Mr. Mary Ellen Klaty, Evart. Otsego - 163, Gene Flemming,

Gaylord. Shiawassee-Mrs. Ruth Alex-Ottawa-1697, D. H. S. Rymer,

Spring Lake. St. Clair-Mrs. Beulah Burrows, Presque Isle-498, Ervin Flem-St. Joseph-Mrs. Beulah Timm,

ming, Hawks. Saginaw-2380, Walter Frahm,

Frankenmuth. Tuscola-Mrs. Jane Stiner, Box Sanilac - 2306, William Sager, Sandusky.

Van Buren-Mrs. Katherine Jo-Shiawassee-1307, J. O. Van anson, 123 Paw Paw St., Ldw-Dyne, Ovid.

St. Clair-1589, Albert McCalla, Washtenaw - Mrs. Emma B. St. Clair. Howeison, 1091/2 E. Washington, St. Joseph-1148, Mrs. Donald

Bellaire, Sturgis. Tuscola-2004, Clark Montague,

Caro. Van Buren - 2000, Lynnford Goss, Decatur.

Washtenaw - 1676, Harry Losey, Ypsilanti.

Wayne - 747, Walter Scott, Romulus.

Wexford - 352, Frances (Ed) Manor, Mesick.

AFBF Annual At Chicago

(Continued from Page 1) annual meeting of American ers of vegetable and flower seeds Farm Bureau Women; commodity in the nation. One of its western conferences for dairy, poultry, livestock, field crops, fruit and vegetables industries. Other conferences are: Land and water use; organization; insurance, young people.

General sessions open Tuesday morning with the annual report of Secretary Roger Fleming and the annual address by President Charles B. Shuman.



Gold Star Midland county, Hope Com-In small groups this is not a hard munity Group, Mrs. Mae Ech-

We are very happy again to be

Washtenaw county, Superior Community Group, Mrs. Emory Mulholland, Secretary.

Silver Star

Calhoun county, Duck Lake Community Group, Mrs. Dorothy Heisler, Secretary.

al topics. In these cases it might are being organized. We wish to Schuyler, Secretary. The subject.

'to say, we didn't discuss the topic organization of 7 groups, and Secretary.

Life Agents Made News In November

All roads led to East Lansing on November 8 when Farm Bureau Insurance Companies held its annual STATEWIDE Insurance meeting for agents and their wives and county insurance committee members and their wives.

Five chartered buses, starting from Petoskey, Alpena, Bad Axe, Benton Harbor, and Adrian, provided transportation for the trip to East Lansing and the return in the evening of the same day.

Charter Policy. Highlight of the day's activities was the announcement of the re-opening of Farm Bureau Charter Life to charter policyholders and members of their immediate families. The

announcement was made by N. L. Insurance Company, presents the Pace Setter Trophy to Robert Vermillion, manager of Farm Bu- Lucal, agency manager for Ingham county. Mr. Lucal wrote more reau Insurance Companies. than \$250,000 of life insurance during the Grand Sweepstakes

Ivan Allison, assistant sales sales contest Sept. 26 through November 8. manager, made the complete Charter Life presentation.

He was followed on the program Wilbur Lohr, agency manager for the annual meeting and will by Sam Rhymer, former general Monroe county, was presented report. agent in Ottawa county. He with a trophy in honor of his top spoke on "Selling Charter Life," performance in the 1954 October Sam, now retired, was a top pro- Life Campaign. ducer of charter life when the More than 260 agents, insurance this fall and winter. During the Farm Bureau Life Company was committee members, and wives big membership week they plan on attended this highly successful building the membership around organized in 1951.

Joseph LoBosco of Ontario. Canada, gave an inspirational talk on life insurance. The title Farm Bureau in 'of his speech was "Body and Soul."

An excellent talk on "Marketing" was presented by Professor Earl McIntyre of the M.S.U. Journalism Department.

meeting.

be well to use questions or have welcome all of these new groups Oakland county. West Farmthe members participate in find- into the Farm Bureau family. ington Community Group, Mrs. ing out what they know about Since the first of September, 31 Helen Williams, Secretary. new groups have been organized. Saginaw county, Pioneer Com-It is not a very good excuse Delta county is leading with the munity Group, Mrs. Alex Kazak, plants at Saginaw & Kalamazoo. cperations for FBS.

came superintendent of the fert- ager of the Plant Food Division ilizer plant at Saginaw, and in during Mr. Ecklund's illness. Both 1952 manager of the Plant Food appointments were announced by Manufacturing Division with Keith A. Tanner, manager of

counties want to take advantage about the Farm Bureau and are of the Farm Bureau Institute in responding well to the invitation January and have some committee to join in the new Community chairmen present for that training Farm Bureaus. We can all look to build the kind of programs that members will be satisfied with. forward to real growth and progress in the Upper Peninsula in Farmers here are enthused Farm Bureau.

CLASSIFIED ADS

Classified advertisements are cash with order at the following rates: 10 cents per word for one edition. Ads to appear in two or more editions take the rate of 8 cents per word edition. These rates based on guarantee of 60,000 or more subscribers. They are members of the Michigan Farm Bureau.

LIVE STOCK

AGENTS WANTED

MAKE \$125 and up every week. Full or part time. Take orders for America's largest selling, nationally advertised Liquid Fertilizer since 1946. Written guarantee. No invest-ment. Excellent opportunity for ex-pansion. Write "Na-Churs" Plant Ecod Co 616 Monroe Street Marion

FOR SALE—Registered Tamworth Boars, ready for service. Fall pigs, both sexes. Get your real lean meat from Tamworths from Michigan's Premier Breeder. Phil Hopkins, Homer, Michigan. (11-2t-25p) FOR SALE—Three nice registered Ghernsey yearling bulls, strong in blood of great production sire Cesor Neptune, Dale Turner, Hemlock, Michigan, Phone MI-2-5443. (12,21,22n) Food Co., 616 Monroe Street, Marion (10-7t-40b) Ohio.

SHROPSHIRE RAMS and breeding ewes. Registered. Visit or write Ingle-side Farm, Stanley M. Powell, Ionia, R-1, Michigan. (10-3t-15b)

FOR SALE

FORD PANEL TRUCK, 1947. 4-speed transmission and overload springs. \$200. Excellent condition. George Oliver, 2130 Spike street, Lan-sing, off US-16, almost at Lansing west city limits. Phone IV-70893. (12-1t-23p) win the "Pace Setter" trophy. and Mrs. Vernon Wick attended Delta now has eleven Com-

FOR ORDERS placed in December for KING evaporators a cash dis-count is granted. Plan now for your 1956 syrup season. Take advantage of this saving. Also, order now needed smoke stack and grates for replace-ment. Be sure. Be ready for 1956. Write now to Sugar Bush Supplies Company, P. O. Box 1107, Lansing 4, Michigan. (12-tf-52b)

at Traverse City. In 1946 he be- in 1354 was named acting man-Mason-Elmer L. Fredericks, Scottville.

gerald, Big Rapids, R-1. Midland, R-3.

Missaukee-Mrs. Bonnie kett, McBain, R-1.

Marten Garn of Charlotte was re-elected president of Farm Bu- Directors re-elected: Mr. Garn, Mecosta-Mrs. Margaret Fitz- reau Services, Inc., at the 26th Mr. Parsons, Peter H. DeWeerd, annual meeting at Michigan State Ward G. Hodge, Blaque Knirk,

Midland - Mrs. Roy Varner, University Nov. 29. Ivan Par- Albert Shellenbarger, Elton R. sons of Grand Blanc was re-elected vice-president. Kenneth summary of FBS report, see an-

Bur-O. Johnson of Freeland is a new nual report of J. F. Yaeger, exec-Monroe-Mrs. Viola Eipperle, member of the board of directors. utive secretary, page 1.



If you turn your cows outside in winter, give them a water tank heater for Christmas. Michigan State University dairymen point out that high-producing cows will give 4 per cent more milk if they have free access to a constant supply of fresh water. That's in con-trast to just watering them twice a day. And, the dairymen say, cows will drink more if the water is warm.



Take things easy this Christmas

Planning to drive over to see some friends to pass Holiday greetings? To make sure they're home, call them first. Or perhaps there's some special gift you'd like to pick up in town. Your telephone can help you locate it before you drive in. During the Christmas rush - and year round - your telephone can do so much to make things easier. That's one reason your telephone is worth a lot more than it costs.

MICHIGAN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY



munity Farm Bureaus and expects

to organize two or three more

these new groups to the desired

NILE L. VERMILLION, manager of the Farm Bureau Life

The new Delta County Farm real progress. The advisory com-Bureau board is now in the mittee expects to have fifteen new process of getting themselves groups organized by December 15.

Sweepstakes. The statewide properly organized to start plan- They now have 12. They want meeting also marked the close of ning their activities. The second to organize the county before the "1955 Grand Sweepstakes," meeting of the board will be held Jan. 1, 1956. The committee is Farm Bureau Life's annual Octo- this week at President Ford's meeting this week. Menominee

Farm Bureau Life's annual Octo-
ber campaign.this week at President Ford's
home. The county agreement will
be adopted, committee chairmen
will be selected and a report of
dous pace with \$258,125 of life
Insurance during the contest tomeeting this week. Menominee
meeting this week. Menominee
will put on a new member cam-
paign during the big week and
build up around the new groups
to about ten member families.PURE MAPLE SYRUP Makers:
Now available, special oil burner to
fit your King Evaporator. Write for
ene galion of syrup with three gallons
of fuel oil. Write Sugar Bush Supplies.
Both Delta and Menominee5-2968.5-2968.5-2968.5-2968.(12-2t-17p)

BARN EQUIPMENT GUTTER PLOW Barn Cleaner. 5-GUTTER PLOW Barn Cleaner. 5-plow self-reversing. One, two, three guitter models. Low cost. Easily in-stalled. Write us for free literature, stating items. Milk coolers, cow stalls, parlors, pens, feed cart, wash tanks, water heater, ventilation, automatic poultry feeders, hog feeders. Ottawa-Hitch, Box 321, Holland, Michigan. (12-2t-47b)

DESK

MAPLE SYRUP PRODUCERS

FOR SALE—Executive-type solid oak roll-top desk. Excellent condition. 38 Inches wide by 66 Inches long. A bargain at \$35. Your delivery. See H at Sugar Bush Supplies Company of fice, 4109 West Saginaw Street, Lan-sing. (12-tf-30b)

POSTS

FOR SALE—Cedar posts and poles. All sizes and lengths. Pete Bergman. Coleman, R-2, Michigan. Phone HO-5-2968. (12-2t-17p)

MAKE \$135 and up every week. Full or part time. Take orders for Amer-ica's largest selling, nationally adver-tised Liquid Fertilizer since 1948. Written Money-Back Guarantee. No investment. Excellent opportunity for expansion. Write "Nachurs" Plant Food Co., 616 Monroe Street, Marion, Ohio. (10-7t-41b) (12-3t-22p)



MFB Recommendations on Nat'l Farm Program

Our Stand on U.S. & World Affairs

The Situation. Political expediency and unwise paternalistic government farm programs have carried our economy far toward a nationalized agriculture. The development of policies that will reverse this trend and eventually restore the freedom of the farmer is the objective of the Michigan Farm Bureau.

Subsidized agricultural production of basic and other crops has stimulated the growing of great surpluses and largely defeated the efforts of farmers to adjust their operations to peacetime market conditions. These surpluses in government storage for which there is no adequate market have had a depressing effect on farm price levels.

Farm income has not kept pace with rising farm expenses. Billions of dollars of government funds by Congressional enactment have been poured into agriculture since 1947 in the form of rigid 90% of parity price supports and in other attendant expenses. Yet, net farm income has continued to decline.

The abundant prosperity of non-farm industries, stimulated by easy credit policies combined with ultra-liberal labor-management wage agreements, have been reflected in mounting costs of farm equipment, supplies and other expenses. The inability of the farmer under prevailing economic conditions and relationships to pass his increased costs on to the purchasers of his products, as is done in other industries, has precipitated a cost-price squeeze on agriculture.

The situation is further complicated by the continued trend toward larger farms, necessitated by the increased capital investment required per farm unit in modern commercial farm management. This is resulting in growing confusion, unhappiness and discontent on the part of many operators of small or marginal farms. It is becoming increasingly impractical for small or marginal and that all wheat producers farmers to compete with larger capitalized farm enterprises.

Constructive efforts to bring The solution of our grave probagricultural production in line with demand and free the farmer from bureaucratic dictation are being seriously baffled by the demagoguery of politicians, leftist agitators and subversives. Candidates for office in 1956 are capitalizing on prejudice and misunderstanding. They are more prolific than ever before in their promises to promote policies for handing out increased amounts of taxpayer's dollars to buy the farm vote.

The stark realities of restoring This complex combination of a market-place economy in agrigicultural surpluses, cost-price

invoked only as an emergency increase yields per acre. We, abuses of power; measure of last resort and with therefore, urge that allotments be due regard for its effect on the made definite by change from an next season's production. Such acreage to a bushel basis. Wheat purchasing programs to be allotments should not be based promptly discontinued when the on recent production history reaches a minimum alone. Size of farm should also be market stabilized level. Provided, no taken into consideration, as the purchases shall be made for acreage permitted should be in stockpiling or that would result proportion to the total tillable in waste or spoilage of food. acreage of the farm.

payments.

geny.

Price Supports. Retention of County ASC Committees. The Michigan Farm Bureau expresses flexible price supports based upits support of the present system on a modern parity formula in of electing county ASC complace of the 1910-14 basis. The mittees. We consider it a respons-Michigan Farm Bureau is unibility of the Farm Bureau memalterably opposed to the restoration of rigid 90% parity price supports and direct production bership to participate fully in electing a high type of personnel to these important[#] committees.

Every farmer should vote in these Land Rental and Soil Fertility lections. The county committee Bank. Consider removing land is responsible for the policies and from production of surplus crops administration of matters of in a government rental basis. greatest importance to agricul-Under the present unsatisfactory ture.

We commend the change conditions, it might be less costly whereby the county committees and more constructive to use federal funds to store fertility in are functioning as policy making the soil rather than to finance and policy-directing bodies rather excess commodities in governthan each serving as an employee ment storage. A soil fertility bank of the county office. might be warranted as a tempor-

We commend the appointment ary stopgap. It could be drawn of full-time county office manupon in case of national emeragers to carry out the program established by the county committees.

Diverted Acres, Cross Compli Farm Credit. The Federal Farm ance and Exemption From Penal-Credit System as now constituted ties. Provide incentives for cross provides a reasonably adequate compliance to prevent acres source of credit for established diverted from supported crops farm enterprises and cooperfrom growing surpluses of unatives.

upported commodities. Enact legislation to exempt stration is providing capital and from marketing quotas farms on operating financial assistance to We urge the President and Conwhich wheat is grown only for farmers whose assets are not gress to continue to work for a food, feed or seed, so long as all sufficient to qualify them for satisfactory political, economic, such wheat is used on such farm loans from Federal Land Banks and social relationship between or farms under the same operaor Production Credit Associa- all nations leading toward unition, and that such legislation be substituted for the present law The Michigan Farm Bureau

providing for the 15-acre and 200oushel wheat marketing quota made of the credit needs of enterexemptions, provided that the prising small producers and operator of such farm or farms shall not be eligible to participate creased capital needed to operate in any price support program larger, mechanized farm units is rendering it increasingly diffiaffected by marketing quotas be cult for them to get established. eligible to vote thereon. The adaptation of present farm

Small, Part-Time, and Margincredit services to enable this class of operators to get started is al Farmers. Support constructive highly important to the rural, programs for meeting the probcommunity. ems of small, part-time, and marginal farmers. We endorse in

Social Security. The Michigan principle the program of the Farm Bureau asks for the repeal USDA assisting low-income of the requirements of the Social Security Act of 1954 as pertain This is comprised of a combinaing to farm labor. Present regu- CROP distribution. tion of readjustments, including lations are highly impractical and off-the-farm income, a judicious burdensome for the farmer. As expansion of Farmers Home Adthe law stands, the farmer is reministration loans, provision for quired to make deductions and economic education, and research keep records on all employees projects concerning modern rural who earn \$100 per year. Compliance with this is highly im-Agricultural Education, Exten- practical, particularly for the lieve that all economic aid from employer of foreign and transient the United States should be ap-

Strengthen the anti-featherbedding provisions of the Act; Minimize Government involve-

ment in settlement of disputes by prohibiting seizure of struck plants by the President; on each side.

Further genuine collective bargainings at local level by prohibiting industrywide and areawide bargaining;

Transfer jurisdiction over unfair labor practices to federal courts by denying such jurisdiction to the national Labor Relaions Board.

to other textile materials, such as cotton, linen, and the synthetic Commendation of Secretary fibers. Consumers are frequently Benson. We wish to reaffirm our misled, and fibre producers deresolution of last year commendprived of their markets by dising Secretary of Agriculture Benhonest advertising of fabric comson on his sound approach to the position. farm problem.

We recommend that there be Federal tax on motor vehicle textile labeling requirements, to Michigan Farm Bureau at their fuel used off the highways. We protect both the producer and have consistently opposed the consumer against misbranding and University Nov. 9. Mrs. Ernest Federal Tax on motor vehicle fase advertising of the fiber confuel, believing that this is a tent of textiles.

chasers of woolen cloth and gar-

ments against fraud and deception.

However, this does not apply

field which should be reserved Federal wheat grading. We to the states. However, as long recommend that the Federal grad-ing law on wheat be changed to AFBF Points as this levy is retained we feel that the fuel used for off the reflect quality standards and highway purposes should be sold basis. Certainly there is no justification for raising highway funds through a tax on tractor fuel, the modern farmer's principal source of power.

Since 1948, almost all of the

versal disarmament with adequate safeguards and inspections District 1-Waldo E. Dick, Chairman,

Christian rural overseas pro-Rural Overseas Program, thousands of hungry people are being given food and aid. While it is sometimes difficult for our government to even give food to nations with hungry people, CROP, through its direct and personal method of distribution, can relieve hunger and build friendships. We support the principles of this program. We also urge that restrictions be removed so

Foreign aid. We believe that a sufficient length of time and economic recovery by most nations receiving aid has enabled them to take care of themselves financially. Therefore, we be plied in ways that will encour-The Michigan Farm Bureau age people to help themselves.

prices and prevent decline to dis- served to limit production on of unions by communists and ships, thus facilitating midwest products reaching world markets. Roning President of Idea Saves **Petroleum Co-op** Railroad car reflectors. All un-

re-elected president and Ken-neth O. Johnson of Freeland was lighted railroad cars, whether moving or standing still, constitute a menace to motorists at re-elected vice-president of Farmgrade crossings. We urge national ers Petroleum Cooperative at the legislation requiring all railroad 6th annual meeting at Michigan State University Nov. 30. Walcas to be equipped with reflectors ter Wightman of Fennville and

Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Ren A. DeRuiter of McBain were Company put a new automobile Textile labeling. The Farm Buelected to the board. Directors endorsement procedure into effect reau led the successful fight to secure the "Truth in Fabrics" re-elected: Mr. Koning, Mr. John- November 1. son, Ward G. Hodge, Blaque legislation, which protects pur-

Women of MFB

ted vice-chairman.

Re-Elect Mrs. Ball

DAN E. REED

Urging higher standards for

In announcing the new pro-Knirk, William Bartz, Fred King, cedure, Marv Metzger, assistant William Hasenbank III. For manager for Casualty Insurance, summary of FPC annual report, said the change will save time and see annual report of J. F. Yaeger, expense and at the same time provide policyholders with more executive secretary, page 1.

efficient service. The agent will no longer compute premium and collect money any is necessary in the desired Mrs. Carlton Ball of Albion change. He simply makes out a was re-elected chairman of the prief transfer application and Women's Committees of the

FB Members

mails it directly to the home office. annual meeting at Michigan State The home office then computes Heim of Traverse City was electhe additional premium, if any, and makes the necessary changes for putting the endorsement into effect.

> The endorsement and premium billing are then mailed directly to the policyholder rather than to the agent for delivery to the policy-holder as handled under the old procedure.

Under the new procedure the igent will relay the policyholder's request for change in policy to the home office-and the home office takes over from there.

J.S. wheat, American Farm Bueau officials told members of a This new procedure saves time U.S. Department of Agriculture by establishing direct contact beconference on wheat grades that tween the policyholder and the his would improve our opporcompany when adding endorsetunity to compete for foreign nents to existing auto policies.

markets. It saves money. An important "A proper grading system esult of the procedure's efficihould encourage the production ency is the elimination of the and marketing of high quality \$2.00 transfer fee which was products and the maintenance charged under the old method. of quality as good products move hrough the channels of trade,' aid AFBF representatives.

"Present grades not only permit, but encourage the adulteration of good quality wheat with heaper wheat and other undesirible material" Farm Bureau pointed out. "Such adulteration works against producers of good quality grain, increases handling illustrated. Mail \$1 cash or check and shipping costs, and means either higher prices or lower uality to consumers.

10-Mrs. Beaman Q. Smith, Michigan Farm Bureau recomnended last month, that AFBF Mrs. Charles Nickel, Monroe, J.S. wheat grading laws.

M.F.B. Women. Mrs. Ernest Heim, Traverse City M.F.B. Women.

ADDY WAS THERE A dairy herd improvement as-

Mrs. John C. Watling, Bath, M.F.B. Women. sociation organized at Fremont, Thomas E. Hahn, Rodney, At Mich., 50 years ago, was the Large. foundation of all DHIA work in

Russell E. Hazel, Richland, At the U. S., Robert H. Addy of Farm Bureau Services was tester

Large. Herman F. Howeisen, Clinton there in 1914.

The savings in time and expense makes it possible to eliminate this charge **Fatten Your Geese** for the coming holidays! "Glaser's Goose Book" contains complete instructions. Has many moneymaking ideas. 96 pages, well

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ILL Power Failures



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2-J. Willis Hoffman, Hudson.

3-Allen F. Rush, Lake Orion.

4-John Henry Albers, Hamil-

5-Edmund F. Miller, Jr., Lan-

6-Henderson Graham, Caro.

8-Archie McCallum, Brecken-

9-Fred Lynch, Fife Lake.

7-Guy Freeborn, Hart.

urges that a thorough study be to determine compliance. young farmers. The greatly in- gram. Through the Christian

that wheat may be included in

highway purposes should be sold reflect quality and to lower the tolerance of foreign material and off-grade Trouble With and other kernels, in order that we may be competitive with other countries in both the domestic and Export Wheat foreign markets. Improvement in sugar act. Atoms for peace. We support efforts to secure an agreement for an effective plan for inter-The Farmers Home Admin- national control and use of atomic energy for peaceful purposes

come, revolutionary changes in and encourage farm production size of farm unit and farm pro- to be brought into reasonable duction methods, deceptive political expediency of politicians, the be allowed to take place. Theresocialistic schemes of leftist groups and government planners, and the undermining influences of subversive, communist doctrines constitute a precarious dilemma.

Unsound bureaucratic pro-Surpluses: grams have been years in creating our present predicament. Working out of it will be difficult and will require time. There is products: no quick and easy solution. However, we still have the opportunity to choose in which direction. we shall point the policies of the Michigan Farm Bureau.

There is no enduring, worthwhile future for the American farmer and his family in indefinitely continuing to grow commodities for government storage instead of for satisfying human needs.

Government - subsidized farm programs inseparably involve federal dictation and regimenta-

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ilture must be faced Inevit: d Research. Con squeeze, declining net farm in- readjustments that will permit aggressively register Farm Bu- labor. reau influence in support of inbalance with consumption must fore, this Board of Delegates narrow the spread between propledges the full power and faciliducer and consumer and to disties of the Michigan Farm Bureau to the accomplishment of the products and lower production following projects: costs.

farmers.

community development.

Elimination of Burdensome

(1) A more intensive and effective sales and export program for the disposal of surplus

goals.

supplies.

Michigan Farm Bureau will con-

tinue to support and protect

organizations, Farm cooperatives

We deplore the efforts of en-

trenched interests to secure en-

(2) Stimulate export and dombasic crops are capable of violatestic trade by upgrading the ing the price-fixing law by partiquality of farm commodities by cipating in illegal agreements in measures that assure maintenance restraint of trade, whether their of quality standards essential to announced opening prices are

the merchandising of an increasing volume of quality products; (3) Provide greater incentives for the production of higher quality products by varying price supports in accordance with grade of commodity pro-

tion of the farmer's operations.

lems does not lie in selling our

votes for greater handouts from

schemes of politicians, dema-

gogues and subversives designed

to confuse and mislead farm peo

We cannot afford to continue to

follow the course that has led to

our present unprecedented diffi-

culties if we would remain free.

ple in this critical situation.

We deplore the deceptive

the federal treasury.

duced; (4) The judicious contribution of excess commodities to relieve hunger, distress and human

without neutralizing commercial trade opportunities; (5) Reduce ocean transportation costs on agricultural exports by amending the Mutual Security Act (P.L. 480) to eliminate the farmers' cooperative marketing 50-50 "Cargo Preference Clause"; (The Export-Import Bank re- are essential agencies in improv-

quires that 50 per cent of com- ing the quality of agricultural modities financed be shipped in products, lowering the spread U.S. cargo vessels. Rates on ship- from producer to consumer, and ments in U.S. ships are much protecting the bargaining power higher than in foreign bottoms.) of farm producers. (6) Sale of farm produce to all

nations including "Iron Curtain" countries, particularly where actment of punitive taxation strategic materials are received in measures designed to destroy return;

(7) We strongly commend the advertising of farm products patron and are not legitimately through such programs as the American Dairy Association, as service of farm cooperatives is one of the most effective means of reducing surpluses and adjust- of agricultural surpluses. ing production to demand;

(8) We are strongly opposed to further development of extensive Federal irrigation and reclamation projects while farm surpluses keting quota are concerned, we are reducing the farmer's income. urge that all producers of the

Government Purchasing. Gov- marketing quotas regardless of Farm Bureau Secretary. See page ernment purchasing of unsup- acreage involved. 2 for the address. It is given in ported excess products only in We favor basing allotments on Compulsory unionization conarticle headed County Farm case of temporary extreme sea-Bureau Secretaries. case of temporary extreme sea-sonal market gluts to stabilize Acreage allotments have not tices of unions and aids control

creased appropriationss for agri- urges that the requirement for cultural education, extension and compliance be amended to progreatly expanded research, to vide a three-months period of consecutive employment before the farmer is required to keep cover new uses for agricultural records and make deductions for Social Security purposes.

Second, the Michigan Farm Bureau urges repeal of compulsory Restraint of Trade Exemption Social Security requirements for for Producers and Handlers of self-employed farmers. We urge

other than basic crops. A recent that Social Security for self-emdecision by the Federal Trade ployed farmers be converted Commission has held that pro- from a compulsory to a volunducers and handlers of other than | tary basis.

Monopolies. The Michigan young people sent to live and Farm Bureau condemns monopo- work with families in other listic practices regardless of countries. It helps us to realize whether business, labor or agri- we are neighbors, working cotechnically prices or anticipated culture, or a combination of them operatively for world peace. constitutes the offender.

Recent court decisions in effect We believe that a program should be developed which will permit the producers and handlers of other than basic crops to exchange information under clearly illegitimate objectives of governmental supervision with labor organizations.

respect to supplies, demands and Industry-wide bargaining has market conditions, and with the degenerated into a practical tions. objective of preventing unwar- monopoly of the products manu-

misery where it can be done ranted fluctuations in prices and factured in certain areas. This preatice voids the constitutional powers of Congress to regulate Cooperative Marketing. The interstate commerce and empowers interested business groups to shift our society from a competitive to a monopolistic economy.

National Administration to provide legislation to remove this evil of industry-wide bargaining

Labor Legislation. The Michigan Farm Bureau endorses amendments to the Taft-Hartley Act as follows:

Strengthen the secondary boy cott provisions by specifically farm cooperatives. Patronage reproviding damage and injunction funds are the property of the remedies to injured persons against individual members as taxable to the cooperative. The well as unions;

Provide for secret strike ballots an essential factor in the disposal at the request of either party at any elections conducted by rep-Acreage Allotments and Marresentatives of the Labor Medi ation Board:

keting Quotas. Because all grow-Curtail compulsory unionizaers of a commodity under a martion as exemplified by the union shop and the closed shop;

crop be permitted to vote on Denial of the right to work without joining an organization is a violation of basic freedom.

Farm trainee program. Much suaded. progress has been made toward

a better world understanding by the various foreign exchange programs sponsored by both government agencies and private organizations. We wish to commend the American Farm Bureau Federation and the Michigan Farm Bureau for its Farm Trainee Program, and we recommend its further expansion, both in number of young men and women welcomed to farms in the United States, and in the number of our

Freeing U. S. captive citizens. grant practical immunity to We commend the efforts of our labor unions from prosecution for nation to free American citizens, monopolistic practices involving held against their will in communistic countries, and urge that the utmost effort possible be continued to release citizens still remaining in custody of those na-

Great Lakes - St. Lawrence Seaway. Inasmuch as the St. Lawrence Seaway project, authorized by Congress, terminates with Lake Erie, we urge its completion. This requires deepening the channel through the Great We call upon Congress and the Lakes and drivers connecting, them, so that all Great Lakes ports can receive ocean-going



CHICAGO, ILL

At Large. The man who succeeds is the one who knows everything about TREE FOLDER When a man agrees to argue a question he can often be per- something, not something about everything.





Proof of the Pudding

Last month we told Farm Bureau members about the excellent line of Farm Bureau dairy feeds that carry your trademark, "Farm Bureau."

At our October feed meetings we showed colored slides of a herd of 21 cows that averaged 515 lbs. of butter fat for the last 3 years. One member of the herd has an 8-year average of 14,400 lbs. of milk and 724 lbs. of fat.

All D.H.I.A. records Farm Bureau feeds helped the breeding and good management perform very profitably.

News About Poultry Feeds

Farm Bureau Mermashes (18% or 20%) made from your M.V.P. concentrate probably do a better job of getting eggs than any mashes in the state. Also hatchability records are made on your Mermash Super Breeder and Layer Mash 20%. All over the state we find flocks hitting a fast pace-from 70 to 85% production-and healthy birds.

Your regular Poultry Supplement 34% was tested in a competitive caged layer contest in Indiana. It produced more eggs at a lower cost than any competitive mash (some widely advertised ones, too). This is a high energy mash especially fitted for our winter months.

Hi N-R-G

For broilers you also have a choice. Your Hi N-R-G Broilermaker 40% allows use of 1250 lbs. of corn (your own, if it is dry and good) to each ton. Many of the top broilermen in the state use this Farm Bureau Hi N-R-G.

Broiler Mixer

Then our new Broiler Mixer Concentrate 38% with 3 Nitro-D.P.P.D. (antioxidant) and Nicarbazin coccidiostat is fine for broiler chicks. 1200 lbs, of your own corn (if good) per ton can be used in making a 20% broiler mash,

FARM BUREAU SERVICES, INC. FEED DEPARTMENT

4000 No. Grand River

Lansing, Michigan

Activities of Women of Michigan Farm Bureau

District 1

Mrs. Byron Eley, Chairman Constantine, R-1

was held October 25 at the Meth- or Luther Danes at Paw Paw. odist Church in Centerville, St. cookies before the meeting.

of Van Buren county which has a Mrs. Norman Harvey of Cass free blood program. county was chairman of the registration. Mrs. James Burns, county chairman of VanBuren Police, gave a short talk on accicounty received the gavel in be- dents. He said many older drivers half of her county for having the cause accidents by not giving largest attendance present. There proper signals when they turn or were 12 from Berrien; 25 from stop. The State Police goal for Cass; 29 from Kalamazoo; 39 this year is 200 more men on the from Van Buren; and 35 from St. force to help enforce the speed Joseph, 10 other guests were present.

man, spoke to the women and ings, write Duane Smith, care jects and activities, such as the this talk and film very much. Nursing Project, Sister Kenny, Safety Commission, Cancer, Blood Bank, Rural Health Con-Legion Hall, The Farm Bureau ference, Aging Conference, Civil Defense, and many others. She greatly stressed the importance the Grape Co-operative meeting

Dr. Donald C. Coohon, public health veterinarian in the Mich-igan Department of Health spoke on tuberculosis and some of the other diseases that affect animals. Dr. Coohon spoke on the proper cooking of pork to kill certain organisms.

Films shown by Mrs. Carlton Ball were taken on the farms and in the homes of our Michigan friends. These to be sent to London, England, to the Associated Country Women of the World.

Cass County. The Farm Bureau Women's Committee met November 1st at the home of Mrs. Norman Harvey. The election of Mrs. Florence Broserman as secretary to replace Mrs. Benedict followed the business meeting. It was unaminiously voted that each member to bring 50c to the Christmas meeting to buy something for the county infirmary.

Mrs. Earl Shearer, Mrs. Harry very impressive installation cere-Swartz and Mrs. Wilbur Griner mony giving the duties for the are to meet with the council to next two years to the following: make out the programs for the Chairman, Mrs. Leta Sanford, coming year.

Mrs. Spencer reported on the Mrs. George Crisenberry, Jacksupper at the Geneva School son county; secretary and trea-which netted \$130 for the county surer, Mrs. Blaque Knirk, Branch boy, Hassan Dehghan, who spent building. county.

Harold Sparks, our County Agricultural Agent, gave a talk on dairy consumption. The hostesses served buttermilk bread and cottage cheese salad to tie in with this talk on dairying. - Mrs. Norman Harvey, County Chairman.

Van Buren County. A co-opera-

blood they receive in transfus-ions as Van Buren has a free Blood Program. If there are any The fall meeting of District 1, questions, just call Mrs. Buskirk If Van Buren people are think-Joseph county welcomed the ing of taking a trip, get in touch guests and served coffee and with Mrs. Buskirk and get a letter stating they are residents

> Sergeant Smith of the State law vehicle inspection.

Films are available through Mrs. Carlton Ball, state chair- the State Police for group meettold of the part Farm Bureau Police Post, Paw Paw, if you Women are taking in many pro- want this service. The group liked

Roll call dinner will be Novem-Women's Committee has been asked to put up lunch boxes for of our school problems, and suggested that each one study the new school laws. Ine Grape Co-operative incention on January 6th at the Paw Paw High School. — Mrs. James Burns, county chairman.

District 2 Mrs. Leta Sanford, Chairman

Allen The fall meeting of Farm Bur-October 11 at Hillsdale High Rapids area. School Auditorium. There were

Branch, Calhoun, Lenawee, Jackson and Hillsdale.

women present who had never arrangements. attended a district meeting. The group was awarded a zipper brief

case. The morning program consisted of reports from each county chairman and talks by Mrs. Ruth Ball, State Chairman; Charles Munford, regional representative; Mrs. Marjorie Karker, coodinator of Farm Bureau Women.

Calhoun county took charge of a Hillsdale county; vice-chairman,

Dr. Donald Coohon from the Michigan Health Department, ex-

plained in detail various diseases of animals and how they affect humans. Karen Wallace and Myrlene Spalding of Hillsdale entertained with two vocal duets. Mrs. Ruth Ball showed slides of Michigan farm life. These pictures have

been taken by farm women all inimal diseases transmittable to Robert tive dinner was enjoyed by the over Michigan and are arranged man. He said Bovine TB control bassador from the Junior Cham- ter relations and aid in solving Farm Bureau Women's Commit- in story form to be sent to the started to decline in 1933, due to ber of Commerce in Flint, also London office of Associated ack of funds being appropriated spoke to our group. He had been Byers on November 1st. Mrs. Country Women of the World. y the legislature. This office in turn loans the picin Germany during World War Everyone greatly enjoyed the II and wished to go back to see convalescent home instead of the county, was installed as new tures to groups and meetings in A.C.W.W. slides. foreign countries, thus showing Ionia Farm Bureau Women interesting word - picture and in a small way "Life in Michiunder leadership of Mrs. Elvan showed us many slides on Gergan. Rasmussen, County chairman, many. Hillsdale county women had and Mrs. Harold Funk, vice chair-We felt that we had seen quite another very successful countyman, sponsored a rural-urban a number of "Old World" pictures conference in late September. and so thoroughly enjoyed them wide bake goods sale. This sale is Sixty Farm Bureau women and held in the four larger towns in that we would like to see some **Animal Quilt** the county. Each woman is notitheir city friends attended. pictures of our own country. fied of the location of the sale in During the morning session a One of our own members preeach town. She contributes to the panel discussion was held, with sented her pictures of their trip most convenient place. This was various health and welfare in the western states. the second time this type of groups in the county participat-Our annual auction was held sale has been held and netted the ing. Groups represented were: Cancer Society, whose treasurer, ladies about \$250. in August on one of those "Oh, so hot" days. This is the way Mrs. Louise Black, gave us infor-The apron and bake sale at the we raise our State project County Fair booth added \$150 to mation as to where the "loan money, and we did very well in hall October 24, in Presque Isle is the new chairman for Alcona. closet" is located, who and where the treasury. A good share of the money goes towards repairing to call for help for home patients. and furnishing the County Farm The health chairman of the Bureau office. Hillsdale Farm County Federation of Woman's Bureau Women also contribute Clubs, Mrs. Robert McPherson, to the state projects. told of the mobile TB chest x-ray. Four women acted as a Recep-The Community Chest was represented by Attorney Flint tion committeee at our county annual meeting. The county's Watt who explained the affiliated delegation of 14 women was sent organizations. The Red Cross exto Lansing to the state annual ecutive secretary, Mrs. Fred meeting. Galleghar, spoke about many At the last county meeting at ways Red Cross serves the Com-Church's Corners the ladies voted munity and nation. to have a team of at least two The National Foundation for Real Property in women in each township to work Infantile Paralysis was represent-



Photo-Ionia Daily Sentinel Standard MRS. ROBERT WEISGERBER, chairman of District 4, views an exhibit of fruits and meats discussed at the District 4 ruralurban women's conference by Miss Virginia Helt (right), Michigan of plenty, fall fruit and vegeeau Women of District 2 was held State University marketing and information agent for the Grand tables, leaves and mums, adorned

150 women from the counties of number of the Kent County Farm Hirvcusals. She holds a position leaves were placed throughout Bureau board. Mrs. J. Edward Brown, chair-

Lenawee county had the most Kent county, was in charge of country. Mrs. Cornelius Mahr, vice-

chairman of District 4, presided at the morning session. Our state chairman, Mrs. Carlton Ball, spoke in the morning on the many affiliations we have over the state with other organizations. She suggested more interest and action on such matters as the school situation, retarded child-

ren, legal rights for women, social security, Christian Rural Overseas Program, our senior citizens, rural zoning, and other important topics, well worth our consideration in this new year. One of the delightful numbers

ome time at the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rodgers

of Caledonia. His description of his home life

and farming experiences and vere very entertaining. Dr. Donald Coohon,

very interesting facts concerning ternoon.

aged in Okemos; then went to the home of one of our former committee women who had moved to Williamston and had our potluck luncheon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Myers.

October was the month we had set aside to learn how to write news items. Mr. Childs of the Flint Journal spent an informal hour talking to us and answering our questions.

We have had such a busy year, but a very happy and profitable one. We still meet in the various homes of our members, across the county. We now have 31 groups so we do not know how much longer we will be able to do this .- Mrs. Bernice Brown, Retiring County Chairman.

District 9

Mrs. Ernest Heim, Chairman Traverse City, R-4

Wexford county Farm Bureau Women's Committee had its econd rural-urban conference November 1.

The meeting was held in the church parlors of the First Methodist church, starting with a dessert tea. Harvest scene, with horn

County. the candlelit table.

Pumpkins and fall flowers and 120 ladies attended from six counties, Alpena, Montmorency, equivalent to our 4 - H Club the rooms. Fancy cookies, ice Iosco, Ogemaw, Alcona and Presque Isle. Mrs. Otto Mendrick, of Presque Isle wore a corsage, previce chairman, Mrs. Chas. Gottsented to her by our district man. Mr. Don Kilpatrick, for having the largest percentage of attendance present from her county. A The panel included Mrs. Gregory Moore, a professional man's gift was presented to Alpena county for having the largest number of women present who meeting before. Presque Isle ladies were very

gracious hostesses by having coffactory worker's wife. fee an hour before the meeting Mrs. Marjorie Karker of Lanstarted. sing was moderator. She said in Mrs. Marjorie Karker spoke on summarizing the panel discussion Terminology of Farm Bureau Women. Mrs. Karker also substituted for Mrs. C. Ball who was vance of Farm-City week. Last unable to attend, and gave Mrs. year, the rural women told their Ball's report on Farm Bureau's story of life on farms. This year affiliation with other organiza-

the urban women presented their tions. There were many common problems, such as; investments of time and money in equipment and knowledge, and the need of Farm Bureau Members and much care and thought to stretch regional men. the take-home or net earnings to provide families with a good liv-

The discussion concluded with the thought that mutual under- their effect on human beings. standing of each other's problems

A sixty piece girls glee club will help each group toward het-

spite of the heat. This was also the day we had Tsuru Nakatani with us, so we really had a full **Barbra Foster Heads** In September we toured the Junior Farm Bureau



MISS BARBRA FOSTER of Berrien county was elected state president of Michigan Junior Farm Bureau at the annual meet-

receive an expense free trip to ing, October 29. Miss Foster has been very active in JFB activities at the county, district, state and national levels.

Other officers elected at JFB convention are Douglas Haskill of Lapeer county-1st vice-president; Leo Murphy, Ionia county -2nd vice-president; Lois ship. They were also concerned

to Chicago where she will represent Michigan in the National Farm Bureau Young People's contest held in conjunction with the AFBF convention. Another feature was a Talent IN SOUTH Find contest. Betty Wittke of Lapeer county received top honors in this field. Betty will also

AFBF convention where she will represent Michigan Junior Farm Bureau in the National Talent Find.

Schmidt, Berrien county-secre-

tary-treasurer; Margaret Line-

baugh, Ionia county-camp chair-

man, and Marie Engelhardt of

200 delegates, other JFB mem-

bers and guests attended the JFB

convention in the Music Auditor-

The program included State

Committees' yearly reports, the

election of officers and the Talk

Meet contest. Norma Kimball of

Cass county won the contest, and

will receive an expense free trip

ium at M.S.U.

Huron county is state historian.

Junior Farm Bureau convention indicated that the delegates were concerned about member-

Presque Isle county women headed by Mrs. Otto Mendrick are planning various money raising projects. Recently at their meeting they had Mrs. Caroline Schroak, home demonstration agent for Presque Isle, as guest. Mrs. Schroak told of the various phases of her work. These ladies are also very active in keeping Jr. Farm Bureau in their county.

Ogemaw county women under the chairmanship of Mrs. H. had never attended a district Lickfeldt are busy having bake sales to replenish their treasury. A bus was chartered by the women to attend the state annual convention in Lansing.

Montmorency county ladies had their county treasurer, Mr. McMurphy, to one of their meetings. He told the ladies about the duties of his office. These ladies are also very busy wrapping cancer bandages. Mrs. Analee Carey is the new chairman for Montmorency. Mr. Don Kilpatrick, regional

representative of District 10E, Alpena county women are told of the relationship between spreading Christmas cheer this month. Twelve boxes were packed for the State Mental hospital Dr. Donald C. Coohon, public at Traverse City. These ladies health veterinarian in the State have adopted two polio patients Department of Health, spoke on and these two girls are always various diseases in animals and remembered on special days, especially at Christmas time. Recently Mr. Robert Cordano and

with limiting state activity to fewer well-chosen projects and activities.

The highlight of the Convention activities came at the evening Banquet held in the M.S.U. Union Building. Warren Newperry, Director of AFBF Young Member Activities, spoke on 'Coming of Age." He said Michigan Junior Farm Bureau has been a going organization for 20 years. We have set a pattern for many other States who are newer in Farm Bureau Young People's activities. Warren strassed the point that there are 70,000 young farm people on the farm here in

Michigan. With the membership less than 1500, we have a long ways to go in doing a more adequate job on membership.

Elected President

Robert F. Koenigshof of Buchanan, has b e e n elected president o f t h e Michigan Elevator Exchange to succeed the late Waldo E. Phillips. Mr. Koe-





ers now to add a dash of color, fancy to your holiday wardrobe.

leader in Finland. She showed cream, tea, coffee and milk were man of Farm Bureau Women in pictures of farm life in her served. Retiring chairman and In December we went to the hard and Mrs. Floyd Whaley, International Institute in Flint poured from the silver service. and were served a Hungarian dinner; a French war bride talk-

ed to us. Just to see the Institute, wife; Mrs. Lyle Smith, a businesswhich has been decorated by man's wife; Mrs. Fred Bilkey, girls from different countries fixed income group, as her husand to have Miss Elloise Tanner, band is a government worker; director, talk about it, is well and Mrs. Clarence Springberg, a worth a few hours' time. Further programs of the year

ncluded a talk on Farm Bureau policies by Ray DeWitt; Mrs. Marian Kottke on Consumer-In- that this type of meeting is a formation; and a Michigan Quiz, valuable addition to the obserprepared and executed by the program committee. (Try the latter, sometime. It kinda puts people on their toes to find how little they know of facts on our

own fair state.) We entertained our husbands n February and had as our program a Travelogue presented by

James Labb who has been staespecially of a Persian marriage tioned in Vienna in the armed services. He had the opportunity public of doing quite a bit of traveling health veterinarian with Michi- and taking pictures. We felt we gan Dep't of Health, gave some had all spent a very pleasant af-

tee at the home of Mrs. George James Burns, county chairman presided at the meeting. Plans for the state annual meeting were made and tickets sold.

Mrs. Carl Buskirk asked everyone to announce in their meetings that those living in Van Buren county do not have to pay for



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on Roll call. At this meeting Roger Coman, a student from Hillsdale College, showed colored slides of his trip

in Sweden. He was the good will ambassador who was sent last sentative of Michigan Farm summer by the various clubs in Bureau, spoke briefly on the the county.

District 4 Mrs. Robert Weisgerber, Chmn.

Ionia, R-2 One of our most interesting

meetings of the year was held at afternoon was Virginia Helt's talk the Dutton township hall with and demonstration. Miss Helt is Kent County Farm Bureau women as our hosts. Dutton township hall is a very Rapids area. This service is a part beautiful, well landscaped, new

community center. It is ideally Service of Michigan State Unilocated and designed to fill the needs of a rural community. Any township considering building would be wise to visit

the building and also to hear the story of how it came to be built. The women enjoyed the coffee hour from 9:30 to 10:20. About

150 sat down to dinner.

the problems.

Farm Bureau Women of Wexford county plan to visit the Dow

room. Ice cream will be served. Christmas carols will be sung. Christmas cards and a gift will be sent to the Mooney convalescent home at Cadillac .-- Marge

Dohms. District 10-E Mrs. Vernon Kingsbury,

Chairman Alpena, R-1

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hed the entertainment for the afternoon.

Slides were shown of farm life in Michigan.

Mrs. Vern Kingsbury of Alpena post-war Germany. He gave an annual Christmas party. A gift chairman for the district, A will be given each patient, and group gift was presented to Mrs. Christmas trimming for each Alden Mathews, of Ogemaw county, in appreciation of a job well done the past two years as chairman of District 10E.

> Alcona county women's committee have been working very hard on a rural library project in their county. They have pur-chased a bookmobile. A donation of \$50 was given to

the "Mickey Campbell Founda-

tion." These ladies also plan on District 10E women held their purchasing furniture for their fall meeting at Hawks Township | county library. Mrs. Lee LaForge

Mr. Russel Hendrick from the Social Welfare were guests.

A \$10 donation was given to the "loan fund" at Traverse City State Hospital.

Alpena ladies have an attendnce contest with the board of directors every year. Winners are guests to a "Bean and Steak" dinner. Rumors are that the women of Alpena are eating the beans this year. Mrs. Emeil Kreuger is chairman of Alpena

OUTLOOK FOR 1956

The average Michigan farmer can look forward to having about the same gross and net income in 1956 as he did this year, say MSU farm economists.

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versity. Miss Helt used a display | Signature of fruits, vegetables, and meat to

Mrs. Harold Nye, Chairman Olivet R-2

District 5

Genesee county. We started One of the nice features of this our year last November by havmeeting was the presence of a ing as our guest speaker Kirsti

illustrate her talk.

Weisgerber moderated the panel. -Ray De Witt, regional repre-UNICO BARGAIN - 16 cu. ft. Model 917-E SPECIAL PRICE \$304.00 scope, activities and services of

the organization and stressed the fact that we have a voluntary membership. Our policies are developed by the membership in their own community groups.

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our marketing and consumer in-

formation agent in the Grand

of the co-operative Extension

ed by Mrs. R. G. Van Dusen. A

question and answer period

followed the talks. Mrs. Robert

Farm Bureau's Resolutions on State Affairs

They Outline the **Program of Work**

We present the full text of the resolutions on state affairs adopted at the 36th annual meeting of the Michigan Farm Bureau at East Lansing, Nov. 10-11, 1955. These resolutions are Farm Bureau policy and program.

Resolutions were adopted also on national and international affairs. These become recommendations to the American Farm Bureau resolutions committee and to the voting delegates representing Michigan at the to file a certificate of ownership national convention to be held at Chicago December periodically, and pay a registra-11-15. They are printed on page 3.

The resolutions approved by the voting delegates at the AFBF convention become the Michigan Farm Bureau's policy on national and international matters.

It is expected that the text of the national resolutions will be printed in the January edition of the Nation's Agriculture.

Another section of the Michigan resolutions is "Our steps to enact necessary legisla-Farm Bureau." It will be published in this paper Jan- tion. uary 1.

MFB RESOLUTIONS **ON STATE AFFAIRS**

FOREWORD

The Farm Bureau has grown steadily in membership and influence. In Michigan there are lights the path of progress. How-65,830 farm families in the lead- ever, it would be impossible for ing agricultural counties. They banded together in 1,474 very much basic or applied re-Community Farm Bureaus and 63 search. That must be done, in family members of the American Farm Bureau in every state of

the Union and Puerto Rico. The following resolutions represent the deliberate judgment and conclusions reached as the result of thousands of discussion meetings held by our 1,474 Community Groups. They represent the efforts of the Resolutions Committees of 63 County Farm Bureaus, and the discussions and actions taken at the annual meetings of the County Farm Bu-

reaus. At those annual meetings 874 Agents, Home Demonstration tee in forming the policy recommendations submitted to the 36th annual session of the MFB board of delegates.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED ON STATE AFFAIRS

Local government and assessment. We are concerned with

Present day agriculture has beand is beset with manifold prob- quate defense force during the lems in the field of production,

distribution, and management. Research is the lamp which the individual farmer to carry on

land.

Jersey

County Farm Bureaus to form a the case of agriculture, by a large stalwart part of the 1,609,461 public institution, such as Michigan State University. Therefore, we favor a greatly

expanded program of research, particularly in the fields of marketing and management.

The results of research and experimentation must be conveyed promptly to those whom they would benefit. They must be put to work in the service of mankind. The most efficient machinery yet developed for this purpose is the Agricultural Extension Service, including the County Agricultural Agents, 4-H

resolutions were adopted and Agents, and Extension Specialsent to state headquarters. There ists. These activities have abunthey were carefully considered dantly proved their worth and by the MFB Resolutions Commit- deserve continued growth and development.

panded utilization of Michigan code of principles covering the streets. farm products. This has provided most important aspects of high-

ore lar-reaching support.

and dissatisfaction. states. Mineral rights. The widespread

5. We favor the periodic obcustom of reserving or selling portions of the mineral rights apjective study of both the adminpertaining to descriptions of propstration and financing of our erty results in costly confusion highways, roads and streets. Such of titles and the loss of potential studies among other things should tax revenues.

determine how the payments for We believe that legislation highways should be distributed should be developed which will according to the benefits remaintain current records of own- ceived from highways. Attention ership of such rights, obtain should also be given to the advissome revenue and tend to return ability of establishing by legislawnership of such separated tive action of a special revolving fund for state highway right-ofights to the owner of the surway acquisition as has been done face rights.

in California. That state's right-We recommend that the owner of-way purchase method is reof separated rights be required ported to have thoroughly justified its existence and has been of great importance in the speedtion fee. Such rights on which up of the California highway prothe registration and fee become gram. delinquent should be first made

available to the owner of the 6. We favor the objective lems and increases the risk of ac-

Sex deviate clinic. We favor a parole clinic for Michigan, where persons released from mental hospitals, or having police reclimited or controlled access highords as sex deviates, would be ways. Controlled-access or decompelled to report at stated innied-access roads are a matter of tervals, and that Legislature take concern to the highway builder, the highway user and those who serve the motoring public. The

Selective service. We approve problem is one that deserves imthe principle of selective service mediate impartial study by all come increasingly complicated as necessary to provide an ade- parties at interest.

7. Traditionally, we are opcurrent period of world tensions. posed to the continuance of the legislation. Now what is needed We continue our opposition to Federal automotive excises and universal military training as bewe believe that the field of exing unnecessary and undesirable cise taxes on motor fuels should from many standpoints. be the prerogative of the state As to the time for service for

and the state alone. So long, the men who are inducted into however, as the Federal governthe armed forces, we favor the ment, over our vigorous protests calling of the younger men who (and until repeal), continues to have less family and business inimpose automotive excise taxes. volvements and responsibilities. we urge that an amount at least We urge that the selective serequal to the entire proceeds from

vice legislation and regulations all such taxes be applied to Fedbe revised to accomplish these eral-aid highways. objectives. Highways and highway fi-Motorists' financial responsibilnance. We approve the stateity. We should have protection ment relative to highways and against injury or damage which highway finance adopted by the might be inflicted by uninsured Board of Directors of the Michmotorists. We believe that beigan Farm Bureau, on January fore a person obtains license 26, 1955. We commend the Diplates for his car or truck, he rectors on their timely and forthshould have to show proof of firight action. We were the first nancial responsibility for public liability to the extent of \$25,000 major state-wide organization to take a stand against the half-bilor insurance in that amount or lion dollar proposed bond issue the Legislature should enact a which then was regarded as virlaw along the line of the New tually sure of passage. We were "unsatisfied judgment very influential in its defeat. fund" to afford such protection. Highways should be built and

Highway development and maintained through funds raised We especially commend the 2- highway safety. This program by the motorists who are the year-old program of research and for highway development and principal beneficiaries of better education, to encourage the ex- highway safety is a seven-point and more adequate roads and

We reemphasize the soundness great benefits to producers, re- way betterment and of highway of a "pay-as-you-go" program tailers and handlers of Michigan- safety. Together, the principles for highway construction and grown food and holds promise of of this program represent a posi-

highways. For this reason we believe that a fair portion of the revenue from the county from which it originates to be used by the County Road Commission for maintenance of its county highway sys-

County road commissioners. We recommend that the law be changed to have County Road Commissioners appointed or elected for 3 year terms instead of 6 year terms, as at present.

Roadside merchandising. Selling produce or merchandise on or along public highways, either by growers or peddlers, frequently gives rise to serious traffic prob-

study (with adequate representa- cidents. We urge enactment of tion of highway users) of the pol- legislation requiring that all such icies which should govern the transactions and the parking indesign, regulation and operation cident thereto be kept off the of business zones along or within right of way or be located where approved by an appropriate enforcement agency.

ing it a crime to strew rubbish on either public or private property. Farm Bureau members, and especially Farm Bureau women, played a leading part in securing enactment of this commendable is more general public understanding and better enforcement

of these laws. We congratulate the Michigan United Conservation Clubs on their "Litterbug" campaign. It was clever, constructive and effective.

Much farm equipment now travels on rubber. Broken glass and rubbish in the fields near parks and highways are a mancaused hazard. This is only one of many reasons for full compliance and enforcement of the sta-

tutes outlawing dumping and strewing junk and rubbish. It has been suggested that gas stations would be performing a

public service if they would provide receptacles in which tourists and other motorists might deposit such material which they wished to discard.

Center line marking. We comnend highway officials who have placed a white center line on blacktop highways. Without such marking even a careful motorist may find himself taking his half out of the center of the road when traveling the road at night or at other times of poor isibility.

We urge that all blacktop roads be marked with a white center line, and yellow lines indicating no passing where applicable.

highway use taxes among the | in drilling oil wells and the trans- | laws of most states require traffic | tricts, to be elected on a non- | courses to be financed by an porting of the crude oil cause ex- to stop both ways when ap- partisan basis for staggered terms additional fee on each driver's cessive wear and tear on county proaching a school bus which is of 8 years each. Such a proposal

ading or unloading pupils. Since was first advocated in Michigan Michigan is a leading tourist 59 years ago and has been fre- that the issuing of drivers' listate, it is important that our quently proposed during the inthis source should be returned to traffic laws be uniform with the tervening years. It has been vig- cers. majority of the other states. We orously supported by many edutherefore reaffirm our 1954 res- cational and citizens' groups. At olution which favored amending 3 annual conventions we endors-

our present law so that oncoming ed such a plan. vehicles, as well as those ap-

proaching from the rear, would be compelled to stop before passing any school bus, which is standing to load or unload passtion engers, and remain stopped until

the school bus proceeds or until driver of such bus signals other traffic to proceed. This provision should not apply to approaching vehicles on highways carrying four or more lanes of traffic.

Local interest in schools. The sacredness of local control of education should be kept in mind in any laws and regulations relative to school finances or administration. This is a vital part | the taxpayers of the state accordof the American tradition. We should emphasize the community concept of education with maximum local control and participa-

With increasing state-aid, there may come more state control and less interest in school affairs by citizens. We urge our members to take a helpful part in any area studies of school matters, to attend school meetings, to vote at school elections, and to be willing to serve on school boards.

Teacher recruitment. Michigan is still lacking large numbers of teachers each year, and that situation will continue for quite some years due to increased school population. We recommend that Farm Bureau members do all in their power to recruit high school seniors to consider teaching as a profession.

County normals and junior colleges close to home are a good starting point for obtaining degrees in education when oftentimes prospective teachers could not afford to go directly to 4 year colleges. Therefore we endorse continued support of these institutions.

Enlarged state board of education and appointment of superintendent of public instruction. Our schools should be kept free from politics! Throughout the state our local school superintendents are selected and controlled by popularly chosen school boards who in turn are elected on a non-partisan ballot. It would not occur to us to subject candidates for the office of school superintendent to a popularity contest by placing their names on a political ballot.

license, or some other suitable arrangement. We also recommend censes be retained by local offi-

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School bus drivers. School bus drivers have the same moral and legal responsibilities as teachers. It is recognized that this pro-We recommend that all drivers

posal would involve an amendof school buses be required to pass a physical examination; to ment to sections 2 and 6 of Arthave a chauffeur's license; and to icle XI of the Michigan Constitube not more than 65 years of age. We urge that all school boards

Financing school facilities. We have their drivers enroll in the recognize that in many commun-Bus Driver Training Courses, ities the need for additional carried on by the various state school facilities is so great that colleges and universities. general property can no longer

School milk program. We bear the tax burden. A wide varrecommend that all schools eniation exists in the bonded incourage their students to drink debtedness of school districts more milk. This might be accomthroughout the state. plished by taking part in the Federal Milk Program, and by Some way must be found to spread the cost of erecting these installing milk dispensers and facilities more uniformly among vending machines wherever this ing to their ability to pay. We s practical.

We urge that the Dairy Combelieve the state should provide additional aid to districts having modity Committee of each County Farm Bureau should investigate a bonded indebtness requiring a ax levy for debt retirement of 10 the situation in each school, and or more mills and suggest an in- try to promote this program. crease in the intangible tax as a Comic books and magazines.

possible source of revenue. Drivers' training in high

schools. Inasmuch as a large able, perverting and degrading majority of our highway accidents are caused by drivers communities and state and naunder 21, and insurance rates for tional organizations could well teen-age drivers are at a pre- join forces in campaigns to clean mium, we recommend that driver up newsstands and to protect our

training courses be required of youth especially, from publica-all h igh school students; such (Continued on Page 6) all high school students; such

> better seed produces better crops

Every effort should be made to

discourage the sale of undesir-

comic books and magazines. Local



Rubbish and "litterbugs." tion. Michigan has adequate laws mak-

the growing centralization of still ent local government in township, county, and state affairs. We believe that the assessment

of property is a proper function of local government and that any action reducing this responsibility of local officers weakens the unit of government closest to the people.

We urge assessing officers to continue to strive for realistic and equitable valuations. We also request that the State Tax Commission complete the longawaited Assessor's Manual at the earliest date.

Apportionment of Legislature. In 1952, Michigan Farm Bureau was a leader in the campaign which defeated a proposal to hand control of both houses of the Michigan Legislature to the voting majorities in 4 of Michin the Legislature, with the present. House apportioned on population and the Senate on area and population.

Patterned after our federal system, this plan is now giving progress toward the badly need-Michigan's citizens effective re- ed recodification of Michigan's presentative government.

We will vigorously oppose any amendment to our constitution which would, through reapportionment, place the control of islature. Michigan's Legislature in the hands of a few counties.

Agricultural representation on various state boards, commissions affect farmers.

We are dismayed that in recent Conservation Commission, the We urge that in future appoint- farm equipment.

ments, adequate recognition be given to the farm segment of our state.

M.S.U.-Its programs and services. We are proud of the century of service rendered to Michigan farm families and other citizens by Michigan State University, the pioneer land grant institution.

Michigan Week. Michigan Week is encouraging Michigan people to learn more about our and prudent development of our

its effect in local areas. in this observance.

favor legislation prohibiting the system encompassing safety, sercopying for sale of Register of vice and structural condition of Deeds' records, such as chattel highways, roads and streets. and real estate mortgages.

Period of sales tax liability. We clearly stated highway reports to

last regular session made further drainage laws. We ask that this project be carried through to completion and a suitable drainage code be enacted by the Leg-

being proposed by some farm education, law enforcement, and

taining financing. appointments to the White House placing of serial numbers on farm tion, driver responsibility and We urge that the law be

Agricultural migratory labor.

vices tive seven-point platform for fu- secures the most value for its power in county, state, and fed- to all Michigan citizens. It is a ture highway development and money when improvements are eral government, and recommend statesmanlike pioneer effort highway use. For sound public made out of current revenue inthat we keep a strong, independ- which is attracting favorable na- policies which encourage the stead of on a borrowing basis. tional attention. It deserves our maximum ownership and use of We are opposed to mortgaging wholehearted and cooperative motor vehicles, we endorse the the future to "build tomorrow's following seven principles which roads today." The interest on how heavy, is adequate punish-

such a bond issue would amount comprise the program: to approximately one-third of the 1. We favor the continuous principal sum.

We feel that of the new Highstate, its accomplishments and its highway, road and street systems way Construction Fund, estabpotentials. Its greatest value is to keep abreast of the growth of lished by the Michigan Legislaautomotive transportation. High- ture at its 1955 regular session, We believe that County Farm way construction and road im- the portion returned to the Coun-Bureaus and Community Farm provement programs at all levels ty Road Commissions is woefully Bureau Groups can render a ser- should be based upon traffic inadequate. We ask that the disvice to their communities and to needs, scientifically ascertained, tribution formula be revised the state by actively participating Priority of construction and im- so that equitable consideration provement should be determined would be given to all types of by either a sufficiency rating roads, including state trunk lines, Sale of mortgage records. We system or any other reasonable county primary roads, county local roads and municipal streets.

urge that the period for sales the public. Public and legislaigan's 83 counties. At the same tax liability of a dealer be limited tive understanding of highway time we successfully promoted a to 3 years prior to the current expenditures at all levels of govplan for balanced representation year, rather than 6 years as at ernment is a necessary requisite state. We urge that our present

Codification of drainage laws. ports graphically portraying the the provisions of the uniform ve-

equipment dealers that certain of highway engineering. The recboards, commissions and commit- the larger farm tools should be ord shows that the man behind boards, commissions and commit-tees. We believe that common justice demands that agriculture should have representation on the We have no objection to the safety education, driver educa- a passenger car.

Conference on Education, tax and tools and would support legisla- law enforcement. At the same amended to clarify the right of a water study committees and the tion making it a criminal offense time, every practical engineering farm family to use a vehicle with to mutilate or remove such num- technique should be utilized in Farm Commercial plates in the Governor has not seen fit to bers. We are opposed to a pro- highway building to eliminate place of a passenger car. This name agricultural representatives. gram of titling and registering those accidents due to physical- should not permit hauling for hire not human-factors.

> 4. We favor greater reciproc-We reaffirm our resolution rela- ity between the states-through

tive to agricultural migratory compatible highway regulations labor, adopted at our 1954 con- and tax laws. Continuous study the severance tax. At present all vention. We emphasize that in should be given to ways and of the revenue from the severthe hiring of such workers, the means of averting barriers to the ance tax which is imposed on the type of work, conditions of em- free flow of motor vehicles removal of petroleum products ployment, and compensation among the several states, with from the ground is retained by should be made very clear and special attention being given to the State of Michigan. The haul-

in Michigan who is chosen at a Punishment of drunk drivers. A drunk driver constitutes a public election is the State Supfrightful menace to himself, his erintendent of Public Instruction. The only Board of Education in passengers, other motorists and Michigan, dealing with elemenpedestrians. No fine, no matter tary and secondary education, which is partisan in character and ment for such an offense. elected on a partisan basis, is the We urge that it be made man-

State Board of Education. datory that the sentencing judge impose a severe jail sentence on enlarged State Board of Educaany person convicted of driving while drunk and that his or her license to drive be revoked for a period properly commensurate of the Superintendent of Public with the offense.

tion, among whose duties would be the selection and supervision Instruction. We recommend that the Board consist of 8 members School buses and traffic. The from specified geographical dis-

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Uniform traffic laws. To safeguard lives and property, it is 2. We favor frequent and highly important that our motor vehicle laws be uniform with those of other states. This is especially urgent because of our

to wise expenditure of highway motor vehicle code be revised and funds. Annual easy-to-read re- brought substantially in line with

The Michigan Legislature in its construction and improvement hicle code. programs of the state highway department, the several county Codification of highway laws. Michigan's present statutes relaroad commissions, and the cities and villages would be a decided tive to state and county roads and contribution to such enlightenstreets are conflicting and confusment and should be encouraged. ing and contain many overlap-

ping and obsolete sections. We 3. We favor the promotion of favor enactment of a codified safety on the highways by plac- highway law to remedy this de-Farm equipment titling. It is ing proper emphasis on safety plorable situation. Farm commercial licenses. The

purchasers determine a fair value is the most fertile field for effec- building units would not be deand committees whose rulings for used equipment, facilitate se-and recommendations profoundly curing repairs and assist in obwarding results may be expected use a pickup truck equipped with from a more intensive program of farm commercial plates in lieu of

or use of the truck for a business activity not connected with farm operation.

Distribution of revenue from

specific so as to avoid confusion the proper apportionment of ing of the heavy equipment used "State Mutual Insures Every Fifth Farm in Michigan ... Ask your Neighbor!"

Agriculture is Everybody's Political Football

Community Farm Bureau Discussion Topic for December

Background Material for Program in December by our 1475 Community Farm Bureau Discussion Groups

DONALD D. KINSEY Coordinator of Education and Research, MFB

Switch. When a halfback finds himself being hemmed in on an open field runback of a punt, he often reverses his field. Well, the Governor's extra session of the Legislature surely hemmed us in on the December topic. It was to have considered whether Michigan should have a highway speed limit law. The Legislature acted-and we got it-for better or for worse.

Your writer returned from assigned meetings in faraway places to discover that it was necessary to "call another play" of some sort. So he wrote to your State Discussion Topic Committee. They said-in the emergency, "pass"-to another topic. That topic is to consider the challenge that farmers face in preserving their voice in America's program for agriculture.

The Political Trick Play. How carefully are you studying your newspapers, magazines and broadcast reports these days? If you are getting a varied diet of news reports, it should be clear that everybody is booting the farm program around with the idea of getting a political advantage for himself. And, in Congress, it does not seem to matter to what party the "booters" may belong.

Sound sense would dictate a farm program for America that means a prosperous future for farmers with a full and varied production based on efficient practices. It should mean a well-fed nation. But people seem to lose sight of these values in a smoke-cloud of political "isms" that are being stirred up. Trick plays are coming out of the political huddles that leave the whole audience dizzy-headed with confusion.

Political monopolies of any sort have always been sources of trouble for any nation. They always work for special privileges for the few. Farm Bureau delegate resolutions have warned against the dangers of any monopoly by any group-whether it be business, labor, or agriculture itself.

Watch newspaper and radio re- The idea given you is that it will ports these days. The merger of solve the farmer's income problarge labor unions can have but lem. Will it? Let's analyze it. effect on others in the economy. come. What is net income? Will feel are detrimental. This point condemns labor no 100% of parity on price guaranmore than it would any other tee that the farmer will enjoy

years has surpassed the presen- vious and present evidence. High- shipments have been made into sons, we recommend that live- tary conditions. tation of a prominent labor leader er and higher wages are debefore the Agriculture Commit- manded in the farm equipment tee of the House-in the interest industry.

This puts farmer's costs up. of the farmer's cause." What was his plea? Price. A And we should remember that in high, rigid parity price. He did 1951 the labor unions called for not mean a high parity NET IN- a price roll-back on beef. Cheap food will never help the farmer's There's a big difference because. tween them.

Power-hungry political groups In actual fact the outcome of this become a heavy burden to intoday merely seek to use the whole political episode in our dividual property owners. farmer as a stepping stone to American history is to determine that political power. The only the direction in which we must answer is a strongly-unified voice turn in our American way of life. for the farm people themselves. We can easily destroy our high Bonds must be tightened between standard of living by destroying those farm organizations that the system that produced it.

cherisk a sound prosperity for A socialist state is a welfare the farm of the future, and a state. A people on welfare are a freedom for the farm family to dependent people. A dependent people are not free. If they accontrol its own enterprise. It is no time for a weak nor cept the handouts they must ac-

careless attitude on the part of cept the control of authority. And farm people. The right to farm they must still pay the check for as a free landholder hangs in the the program. balance, and a sound income, too.

Farmers can be a "stout oak" Strength in a strong and united in American living. There is no farm Bureau is going to be imneed to be a mere "straw in the portant. wind" of politics.

COME.

ously.

Will business and industry speak for farmers? fight for the farmer's cause? Not

Questions

likely—at least, not very vigor-A special discussionaire folder What about labor? Will it work in the true interest of is being sent to the Discussion the farmer? It is more apt to Leaders. The questions are congrind its own axe, from all pre- tained in this folder.

Michigan We will support education, legislation and enforcement design-

ed to keep this animal from becoming established in our state.

Removal of diseased elm trees. Present Dutch Elm control methods require removal and disposition of infected trees at the own-The farmer must go it alone, er's expense. This expense may

> We recommend that the State share in the expense of removal above a nominal figure.

Apple commission appoint-

ments. In making appointments to the Michigan Apple Commission, the Governor has failed to name men recommended by the Extension Service to cooperate in qualified organizations representing the apple producers of the state. We believe that by ignoring general problem might be used the provisions of the law providing for such recommendations munity Farm Bureau Groups. the Governor has failed to name

men who can best serve the industry they represent. We ask that the Senate with-Who shall hold confirmation of those appointees to the various commis-

sions having to do with agriculture or horticulture, unless these men have the support of qualified and acknowledged agricultural organizations within the state or

within the area of the state they will serve. Research on grass and legumes. butterfat.

Grass and legumes for the production of hay and pasture are basic for our livestock industry tility. We favor additional resity for the development of new crops, varieties, improved pracand legumes.

Records of livestock sales. able for this purpose. We urge Records of sales are valuable and our State Legislature to take necessary in many lines of business. At the present time no State Department of Agriculture's accurate account of livestock marketed in Michigan is available appropriation to carry out the because total receipts at markets are not required to be reported to Michigan farms. the State Department of Agricul-

ture. In order for the people of

stock auctions be required to make monthly reports of receipts by species to the Department of Agriculture.

Livestock loss prevention. The economic loss to Michigan farmers, livestock dealers, marketing agencies, and meat processors, through bruised, crippled, and dead livestock, is enormous. These injuries and casualties, which occur during the marketing process, are largely unneces-

sary, and could be eliminated or greatly reduced by using better judgment and proper methods of handling.

represents the best buy at any We ask the Michigan Farm prevailing schedule of prices. Bureau Livestock Commodity Ingredients in feeds. We favor Committee and the Agricultural retaining the law which requires stating the content of minor ina program of education to reduce gredients in feeds by listing these such losses. We suggest that this ingredients and their percentage on the analysis tag. as a discussion topic for Com-Coloring poison seed grain. Most seed grain is now treated

Promotion of use of dairy products. We are proud of the selfhelp promotional program carried out by dairy farmers through the American Dairy Association. We are glad to note that government storage stocks of dairy products have been sharply reduced.

Plant, at Ottawa Lake. We urge every dairyman to support the A.D.A. through the staining of all grain which is year-around monthly set-asides treated with poisionous material of 2 cents per hundred pounds of so that its presence could be milk or 1/2 cent per pound of readily detected.

Bang's disease and tuberculosis **Waldo Phillips** control. It is of great economic and the maintenance of soil fer- importance to farmers that disases, such as Bang's and T.B., **Helped Start** search at Michigan State Univer- be eradicated from our herds. The Congress has made an appropriation to be available to the states Farm Bureau tices, and propagation of grass on a matching basis. It is necessary that the Michigan Legislature make adequate funds avail-

Waldo E. Phillips, 72, one of the founders of the Michigan Farm Bureau, and leader in immediate action to support the Farm Bureau and farm cooperatives for 35 years, died at a request for an adequate state Benton Harbor hospital November 12. cradication of Bang's and T.B. on Mr. Phillips was injured seri-

ously in an automobile accident Inspection of poultry proces- last April and was hospitalized the state to know the number of sors. We recommend that all for months. He recovered and in livestock marketed, the size of commercial poultry processing the early fall came to Lansing to the Elevator Exchange. He had the industry, to evaluate its im- plants be licensed at a small fee visit the Michigan Farm Bureau We endorse the "Ask the Farmer portance and for many other rea- and be inspected to insure sani- in its new office building. Short- board several years ago.

ly thereafter he was taken ill. He is survived by Mrs. Phillips. Buying and selling grain by

hundredweight. There is a wide

variation in the number of

pounds per bushel for various

kinds of grain. When grain is

stock even when a little is blend-

ed in a carload. There are forty-

seven carloads of wheat which

have been placed under seizure

and which are in storage at the

Michigan Elevator Exchange

We favor legislation to require

The 36th annual convention of the Farm Bureau was saddened by Mr. Phillips' death. He was one of those who organized the Michigan State Farm Bureau at



WALDO E. PHILLIPS

East Lansing February 4, 1919. Waldo was president in 1923-24 and again in 1935. He served as a director for 20 years, longer than any other person.

Mr. Phillips helped organize the Michigan Elevator Exchange in 1920, first as the grain marketing department of the Farm Bureau. When it was incorporated separately in 1921, Mr. Phillips was elected a director and served continuously. He was president in 1922-24 and again from 1948.

Mr. Phillips was also chairman of the Michigan Ass'n of Farmer Cooperatives

Waldo Phillips was born on a farm near Decatur. His father died when he was 11. The young man was graduated from Decatur high school and attended the University of Michigan for a vear.

He returned to the farm in 1902 to work for an uncle and was married December 9, 1903 to Miss Edith Osborne of Decatur. They began farming on their own in 1904 on a farm which was to be their home for 51 years. Waldo retired from farming a few years ago, but continued his work with

retired from the Farm Bureau Insurance is important in successful farming

(Continued from Page 5) I venison as is consistent with tions which would warp and ability to reproduce. oison their minds, cheapen the nost sacred things in life, and

We urge parents to give attenion to the lists of desirable comic books and magazines which are printed from time to time in varous publications, such as the

annual summary of recommendations published in "Parents Magazine.'

We also suggest that the pubishers of comic books and magazines might well follow the example of the motion picture industry, and select and empower their own censor to police their industry.

hear much shouting by some We protest the present package Nationally it appears that we folks for a 100% of parity price booking arrangement, which support program on basic crops. booking arrangement, which support program on basic crops. forces local newsstand dealers to ers. accept the bad along with the good publications in this field. We commend those local dealers who one objective-to gain advantages When we talk about income, voluntarily refuse to display and in accident prevention. High for themselves regardless of the we have to get down to NET In- sell the magazines which they schools and 4-H clubs render a

servation districts. Responsibil-

it to work effectively.

We favor return of the manage-

ment of the deer herd to the Conservation Commission.

First" campaign and recommend

the continuation of joint efforts to further improve the relationships between farmers and hunt-

Gun-safety training. Gun-safety training is proving effective service in this field. Farm Bureau

members can encourage the in-Soil conservation and soil con- clusion of such training in local school systems and in 4-H group

Resolutions on State Affairs

debauch their moral standards.

Farmer - sportman relations. Organized sportsmen, represented by the Michigan United Conservation Clubs and its affiliates, and organized farmers through Grange and Farm Bureau are working together to improve farmer-sportsman relations. Now in its third year, this joint program has been an effective step in improving rural-urban understanding.

lies have had the same complexion, whatever their nature.

Newscasts will reveal to you, ing to turn our whole national things: (1) The price you get. fabric to Socialism. Sometimes (2) The number bushels, pounds they will avoid the label.

The trend toward socialist prin- sell before we arrive at net in- ies. Farm owners and farm renttry has been gaining speed. And taxes in costs, too. what he is allowed to do with grow or sell? Will this good gov- tricts now organized in Michigan case of the wheat marketing acreage quotas someday. quotas-but only a small whiff.

conquer, is the scheme.

the ball. How is it done?

ideas of parity and PARITY OF INCOME for the farmer. Some But a prominent Congressman delay. folks constantly talk as though declared this past summer that We urge that a Water Policy farmers and sportsmen to find a they are the same thing. You "No farm leader in the past 20 Committee be appointed by the satisfactory answer which will

ing?

too, that there are leaders of powerful groups in America seek- income is made up of three our soil. (3) We must then subtract the the Nation to safeguard our needcosts of producing the things we ed future food production facilit-

ciples and practices in our coun- come. We may have to include ers as well as our urban populait is well to remember that in a Now, what if the government for intelligent use and consersocialist state the farmer may sets a good price, but limits the vation of our lands. hold the deed to his land-but amount of the crops that you can

that land, and how much he is ernment price make up the difare efficiently operated by electpermitted to earn, is set by gov- ference created by your cut-back ed farmers serving without salary ernment authority. We have had in saleable products? We could and are effective units of soil a small whiff of this trend in the easily get bushel rather than saving activity. We recommend that the Leg-Don't forget the third itemislature increase the appropria-

Modern news broadcasts and Costs. With a mounting expense tion for the Soil Conservation articles are clouded with ideas for farm equipment and supplies, Districts. This new aid would be loaded with confusion for the a soaring demand for higher min- divided among the districts, on a farmer and the public. That is imum wages for farm labor, and matching basis, to provide a partpart of the game for those who want to call the signals. Political control of many a nation has control of many a nation has government subsidies and agenbeen seized in the midst of a state cies to administer them-where that one.

How to Hide the Ball. Trick The Farmer's Voice. Farmers' Michigan's fast growing popula-

Discussion Topics

These were chosen by your State Discussion Topic Committee from the results of the questionnaire returned by the Community Farm Bureaus.

- Jan. Industry's Guaranteed Annual Wage and the Farmer.
- Feb. The Serious Political Attacks on Farmers Cooperatives.

Be sure to read your discussion article in the Michigan Farm News. Attend your Community Farm Bureau meetings.

maintain a good standard of liv- ity for the use and improvement

If practicable means can be of land rests on all citizens, urban devised, we would favor a gunas well as rural. The well-being handling test before a hunting

Road hunting. We are at pres-The annual increase in our ent very conscious of highway population places a definite rethey admit it-but more often or units you sell at that price. sponsibility on agriculture and safety needs and believe all angles should be considered.

The car-cruising road-hunter is usually a game law violator, a trespasser and a safety hazard. We favor legislation to require a tion must be aware of the need gun carried in a car to be encased or locked in the trunk. The 74 Soil Conservation Dis-

Sunday hunting. The present checkerboard pattern of counties open and closed to Sunday hunting is confusing and makes enforcement difficult. Each closed county increases the demand for the closing of additional counties. Farmers and sportsmen in conferences in the areas most affected agreed that uniformity is needed on a regional basis. It is

The problems which have Water management and water of national confusion and tur- will your net income balance rights. Tremendous increases are brought about Sunday closing moil. Confuse, divide and then sheet come out? You answer taking place in the use of water demands are very largely abuses of good sportsmanship and violafor industry and for irrigation as

well as for domestic use to supply tions of the law. Recognizing this, we urge each landowner to use the plays call for deception. You can know how these things work tion. This increased use makes provisions of the Horton Trespass have to do a good job of hiding, and affect their pocketbooks. necessary planned water manage- Act. This will require a willing-Farm Bureau delegates have in- ment and legislation establishing ness to carry through on prosecu-One of the best examples relat- sisted in their resolutions that rights to the use of water. Water tion of violations through the ing to the whole farm issue is the farmer should have the No. 1 legislation should not be enacted signing of a complaint and the the confusion created over the voice in controlling agricultural without adequate study, but we necessary appearance at the sub-

must carry out studies without sequent hearing and trial.

We urge continued efforts by governor and/or the Legislature. give the most hunting pleasure This committee should include consistent with respect for prirepresentation of all affected vate property. interests and should be provided

Small game season. Continued with an appropriation to enable reports indicate that the different opening dates of the small

Reports by well drillers. With game season for Zone 2 and Zone the great increase in the drilling 3 have created excessive gun of large capacity water wells and pressure and the unlawful taking the need for more information of game, particularly pheasants. We believe that further study on our underground water reserves, we recommend that well should be given to the possibility drillers be required to maintain of either opening the entire lowa log of soil and rock formations er peninsula at one time or to a and file the information with the redefinition of zone lines. appropriate state agency.

San Juan rabbits. The Euro-

Management of the deer herd. pean wild rabbit has caused We believe that good manage- great damage to fields, crops, ment of our deer herd involves orchards and buildings in Austrastudy and a knowledge of food, lia and other areas where it has habitat and population. The herd been introduced.

size should be kept at such levels This rabbit, sometimes known as will minimize crop damage, as the San Juan rabbit, is adverprevent starvation and permit the tised and offered for sale in outnarvesting of as large a crop of door magazines and a few known



"Protection Against All Farm Hazards"

Registered Holstein cattle-83 head at the present time-are the pride and joy of Lloyd Gaskill and his son Robert of Hastings, R-4, Barry county.

For many years the Gaskills have specialized in breeding some of the finest Holsteins in the state. Their combined farms, 124 acres for Lloyd Gaskill and 80 acres for his son Robert, are kept in crops for feeding their prize herd.

Their entire operation reflects the best in care and management. And that holds true for their insurance program.

"We simply can't afford to gamble with an investment such as ours," observes Mr. Gaskill. "As Farm Bureau members we have a complete insurance package available to us . . . and we certainly are taking advantage of it."

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"Farmers need the protection of a complete insurance program," commented Mr. Gaskill. "And in Farm Bureau insurance we have protection against all farm hazards. It's just sound business to provide protection and security through our own Farm Bureau Insurance Companies."



Lloyd Gaskill and his son, Robert, are seen with a few of their prize Holsteins. For the past five years they have had a herd butterfat average of over 500 lbs. Robert and his wife, Betty, and their two children, Kathie, 6, and Karen, 5, live on the farm that Robert bought at 18 with receipts from 4-H Club work.

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