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Farm Bureau's 1956 Goal is 70,000 Members

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MFB 36th Annual **Speakers for Farm Bureau Meeting** Meeting Nov. 10-11

Pre-Convention Sessions Include Women Of Farm Bureau, Junior Farm Bureau, **Five Commodity Conferences**

The 36th annual meeting of the board of delegates of the Michigan Farm Bureau will be held at the Auditorium at Michigan State University, Thursday and Friday, November 10 and 11. Members are invited to attend.

659 voting delegates will represent the membership of 65,830 farm families. They will act on reports of officers, recommendations from the state board of directors, and upon resolutions of policy which have come up from the annual meetings of County Farm Bureau in October.

The state resolutions committee report will also pre- Annual Nov. 30 sent resolutions on other subjects of interest to the Farm Bureau membership.

Jack C. Lynn, legislative director of the American held at Kellogg Center, Michigan Farm Bureau Federation, will speak to the convention Thursday evening. Other events that evening will be the presentation of membership awards, a welcome to Delta County Farm Bureau as the first in the Upper Peninsula. Introductions will include the new chairman and vice-chairman of Women of the Farm Bureau, and the new president of the Junior Farm Bureau. Entertainment will be provided by the Men's Glee Club of nomic Outlook for Farm Coop-Michigan State University and by the Junior Farm Bureau.

The annual business meeting starts Thursday morning, Nov. 10 Farm Bureau with registration of delegates between 8:30 and 10 a.m. This will be done in the basement lobby of Aided in Farm

Every voting delegate must see the Credentials committee for reg-istration before going into the City Week meeting. The business session convenes at 10 a.m. in the Auditorium.

Business to be considered: (1) Beltsville, Maryland Experi-



WARD G. HODGE President, Michigan Farm Bureau Thursday Morning

Thursday Morning

Farmers Petroleum The sixth annual meeting of the stockholders of Farmers Petroeum Cooperative, Inc., will be

State University, Wednesday, November 30. The meeting starts at 10 a.m. Business of the meeting will in-

clude reports of the management and officers, and the election of directors.

J. F. Yaeger, executive secretary of the Michigan Farm Bureau and ts associated farm service companies, will speak on the "Ecoeratives.'

Delta County Farm Bureau Organized WESLEY S. HAWLEY



DAN E. REED Over fifty Delta County farmers gathered at the Court House A luncheon at the famous October 17 and organized the the annual address by the Presi- mental Farm officially kicked off Delta County Farm Bureau, the dent, Mr. Ward G. Hodge; (2) the Farm-City Week activities the first in the Upper Peninsula.

report of the executive secretary week of Oct. 23-29. Delta is the 64th County Farm and treasurer, Mr. J. F. Yaeger; Secretary of Agriculture Ben-Bureau. The members adopted (3) report of the executive vice- son was host to about 75 national a set of by-laws and elected a president in charge of public af- farm, business, and labor leaders, board of directors. The new fairs, Mr. C. L. Brody; (4) report at a luncheon which featured board met October 22 to organize of the resolutions committee and foods resulting from agricultural and start planning their program of activities.



J. F. YAEGER Executive Secretary, MFB

CLARK L. BRODY JACK C. LYNN Legislative Director, AFBF Exec. Vice-President of MFB Thursday Evening Thursday Morning

AFBF Convention At Chicago, Dec. 11

The American Farm Bureau will hold its 37th annual convention in Chicago December 11 to 15.

Farm policy is to be acted upon at what may be one of the most important annual meetings in the history of the Farm Bureau.

Policy recommendations are now being formulated at thousands of local and County Farm Bureau meetings and at the state Farm Bureau annual meetings in all states. Recommendations from the states will be presented to the national resolutions committee during the week of December 5.

The resolutions committee, headed by AFBF Vicepresident Walter L. Randolph of Alabama, includes the president of each State Farm Bureau, and representatives of the women's and youth groups in Farm Bureau. The report of the national resolutions committee bored will be debated by the convention.

Michigan Farm Bureau's representation is 7 voting delegates, one for each 10,000 members or major fraction thereof. Many Michigan members plan to be among the 5,000 or more expected at the meeting.

Co. Farm Bureaus Renew Memberships By Mail in November; Campaign For New Members Dec. 5-12 The membership goal of the Michigan Farm Bureau

33rd Year

for 1956 is 70,000 farm families.

1,200 Captains to

Meet at Lansing

Published Monthly

The Roll Call for new memberships is the week of December 5 to 12.

County Farm Bureaus are now engaged in collecting dues by mail from 65,830 members for 1956.

November and December are months of action in the Farm Bureau membership program. Roll Call county managers, team captains, and membership committees are getting ready.

December 2 some 1,200 township captains, county Roll Call managers and other leaders will meet with the Michigan Farm Bureau staff at the new Civic Auditorium at Lansing to complete preparations for the December 5 drive. The total may be 1,800.

Roger Fleming, executive secretary of the American Farm Bureau Federation, will speak. Presentations will be made by representatives of the Michigan Farm Bureau, Farm Bureau Services, Farmers Petroleum Cooperative, and the Farm Bureau Insurance Companies.

This year the Roll Call will be conducted as follows:

1-Dues for 1956 from all present members will be collected by mail, insofar as is possible. County Farm Bureaus will have their notices in the mail the first two weeks in November. Since August 31 more than 500 members have paid their dues in advance for 1956.

2-The Roll Call Dec. 5-12 will be for new members. Several thousand volunteer membership workers will go out to enroll 10,000 or more new members.

3-The New Member Clean-up Drive for the campaign starts in the week of December 12.

4-The Renewal Clean-up Drive starts the week of the Farm Bureau membership up January 9, 1956. A final reminder will be sent to those members whose dues for 1956 are still outstand-Present will be the township ing. They will be reminded that Blue Cross hospitalizcaptains, area men, County Farm ation-surgical-medical insurance through Community Bureau presidents, secretaries, Farm Bureaus on the group plan is limited to members in good standing. Farm Bureau automobile and fire insurances are also limited to members of the Farm Bureau. Nearly 80% of the Farm Bureau membership Farm Bureau insurance agents. now has one or both of these services.



chairman, Archie Buck, assisted by the secretary, Mrs. LeRoy Slack, and with the full cooperation of the members.



Probably 1800 leaders in the

Farm Bureau Roll Call for mem-

bership in 1956 will gather at

Lansing's new Civic Auditorium,

west of the state capitol, Friday,

December 2 for the first all-day

Farm Bureau Membership Jam-

They're going to get set to roll

to 70,000 the week of December

5 to 12.

consideration of the resolutions; research activities. (5) election of directors.

The MFB annual meeting will directors. They are elected for two-year terms. The new board House Committee on Agriculture. Junior F. B. will organize by electing a president and a vice-president.

The following pre-convention ordinated this year by Kiwanis November 9:

Women of Farm Bureau will hold their 11th annual meeting at the Auditorium. Program starts national radio and television pro- or one segment of agriculture. at 10 a. m. About 1200 women grams featured farm-city activiare expected.

Commodity Conferences for Farm Bureau committees repre-Dairy, fruit and vegetables, poul- estimated 20,000,000 people. try, livestock and wool, and field crops. All meetings start at 10:30 a. m. at the Union Memorial building, third floor.

The committees will assist the by Michigan Farm Bureau, with Michigan Farm Bureau resolutions the Lansing area Kiwanis Clubs committees on resolutions in the field of those farm commodities.

A total of 1,926 students are en- True D. Morse discuss adminis-

rolled in the M.S.U. College of tration agricultural policies. Agriculture this fall.



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DIRECTORS of Delta County Farm Bureau organized October 17: Seated, left to right, Joseph Whitney, Gladstone: Clayton Ford, Cornell. Standing, left to right, Edwin Bergman, Bark River; Helmer Nelson, Ensign: Joe Liss, Bark River, Don Harris, Rapid Delta hopes to have a delegate River. One district will select a director soon. Directors to represent the Women Committee of Farm Bureau and the Junior Farm Bureau will be added to the board when those activities are going.

Special guests of Secretary The board of directors is set Benson included Secretary of up on a basis of six districts, one elect seven of a board of 15 Labor Mitchell, and Congressman at large, and one to be selected by Harold Cooley, Chairman of the the women and one later by the

J. F. Yaeger, executive secre-Farm-City Week, designated tary of the Michigan Farm Buas October 23-29, was being co- reau, said to the Delta group:

"The Farm Bureau is a farmmeetings will be held Wednesday, International. This special obser- er's organization with policies vance has received the support of made by operating farmers. The many farm and urban organiza- interest of the group is in general tions and business firms. Several farming, not in one commodity

> "The Farm Bureau seeks to ties, including the Herb Shriner develop a constructive farm pro-"Two for the Money Show." The gram in the community and in

"United States Steel Hour," on the country as a whole. Farm October 26, devoted a portion of problems are regarded by the senting these farm industries: its broadcast time to reach an Farm Bureau as family problems, and the membership is a family membership. Michigan's observance included

"The Farm Bureau is nonan evening Farm-City Banquet political, non-sectarian, and nonin Lansing's new Civic Center racial. It seeks bi-partisan enon November 1. It was sponsored dorsement for its program."

Prior to the organizing of the County Farm Bureau ten Comcooperating. More than 400 rural munity Groups were organized. and urban businessmen heard They are: Boney Falls, Chandler, Undersecretary of Agriculture Esky, 10 Mile Group, Isabella, Big Spring, Burnt Bluff, Hyde, North Delta and Dansforth. These groups will continue to grow and

there will be others organized as they go along. The interest manifested in that huge surpluses are holding

Farm Bureau by the Delta farm- prices down. The surpluses are ers has been very good. The Farm due in part to "unwise govern-Bureau should grow and be ment policies of clinging to high, strong in the county. The farm- incentive price supports. ers here feel the need for having

vember 1.

a voice in planning for agricul-"The task we face is to sell ture along with the rest of the more of our products and to adjust our production to a realistic ap-State and the Nation.

praisal of market demand." Menominee county has seven When government farm pro-Community Farm Bureau groups grams do not interfere too much organized. There will be about 5 with the normal operation of supmore by December first. It is ply and demand, farmers do expected that Menominee County adjust production in line with ecowill be organized before Jan. 1st nomic conditions, Mr. Shuman and will be the second county in said. he Upper Peninsula.

Delta County Farm Bureau ex-"The poultry industry is a good pects to send a car load of mem- example. Last year was a bad bers to the state annual meeting one for poultrymen. Egg prices fell 23 per cent, gross income in November as does Menominee. dropped 19 per cent, and net inseated for the Convention and the come declined even more.

one for the women's annual meet-

(Continued on page 3)

The 160 or more voting delegates represent a membership of 1,600,000 farm families in the nation's largest farm organization.

The convention will elect a president and vice-president for two year terms. Ten members of the board of directors-three each from the Midwest and Western regions, and two each from the South and Northeast will be elected for two year terms.

Dr. John A. Hannah, president of Michigan State University, and former Assistant Secretary for Defense, has been announced as a convention speaker.

Headquarters will be at the Sherman hotel. General sessions will be held at the Civic Opera House.

PRESIDENT SHUMAN SAYS

Farm Income Problem One of Solving Surplus

Farmers adjust their production their falling income. The fact is to consumer demand when gov- that they don't.

ernment programs don't prevent "When the poultrymen's returns their doing so, Charles B. Shuman, dropped they produced less, and president of the American Farm they did it voluntarily.

Bureau Federation, told the an-"Young chickens raised on nual meeting of the Rhode Island farms in 1955 are estimated at 524 Farm Bureau at Providence Nomillion-15 per cent less than last year and the lowest on record.

By next January 1, the laying The big trouble with farm in- flock is expected to be six to eight come today, Mr. Shuman said, is per cent smaller than at the beginning of 1955. With this reduction it is not unreasonable to expect a good year ahead for poultrymen.

> "Dairy farmers and hog probest job they can to produce and

sell what consumers will buy. "We hope that through Farm Bureau we will be able to develop and put into effect farm policies

which permit farmers to use their experience and their native common sense in supplying the nation's food and fibre needs, and in earning satisfactory income for themselves."

"We are searching for a better "Some would have you believe solution than the present crop

The Delta County Farm Bu- happens, farmers just go on pro- simply shifts agricultural re- of dandelion, chickory, wild car-(Continued on page 2.) ducing more and more to bolster

nembership, farm supply and insurance committees, regional representatives for all Farm Bureau companies, local managers for Farm Bureau Services and Farmers Petroleum branches, and

> PROGRAM 9:30-Registration, coffee and

doughnuts 10:13-Meeting starts 10:28-Kick-off talk, J. F. Yaeger (Prizes) 10:51-1st Region Rally 10:56-Entertainment 11:01-Farm Bureau Services

presentation 12:05--Complimentary lunch 1:14-Meeting reconvenes 1:19-2nd Region rally 1:24-Farm Bureau Insurance Companies presentation 2:24-3rd & 4th Regions rally (Prizes) 2:34-Farmers Petroleum Cooperative presentation 3:34-5th & 6th Regions rally 3:46—Entertainment (prizes) 4:01-Michigan Farm Bureau presentation 5:01-7th & 8th Regions rally

(prizes) 5:15-Break 5:30-Complimentary dinner 7:04-Special entertainment 7:49-Grand Prize 8:00-Address, by Roger Fleming, executive secretary of the American Farm Bureau Federation.

1st County Groups Reporting Officers

Clare, Benzie and Emmet coun ties were the first counties this year to have all of their Com-

munity Group officers set-up sheets for 1956 at the Michigan Farm Bureau office. Congratulations to all the Community Groups in these counties for your fine record!-Clare McGhan, MFB coordinator for community groups.

DEER MEAT CARE BULLETIN IS OUT

Advice for deer hunters on the way to care for killed game and the best ways to cook venison is contained in a Michigan State University extension bulletin. A single copy is free at the county extension office.

N. W. Mich.

Oakland

Oceana

Ogemaw

Osceola

Otsego

Ottawa

Saginaw

Sanilac

Presque Isle

Fall is a good time to spray that when something like this control program, which often your lawn with 2,4-D to get rid rot and buckhorn plants.

Michigan Farm Bureau hopes to exceed its goal in 1956 by a substantial margin. Following are the membership goals County Farm Bureaus have set for themselves for 1956:

Member Goal 382 Alcona 2.289 Allegan 609 Alpena Antrim 510 471 Arenac Barry 1,308 1,606 Bay 241 Benzie 2,519 Berrien 1,745 Branch 1.613 Calhoun 1,046 Cass Charlevoix 410 Cheboygan 310 250 Clare 1,648 Clinton 100 Delta . 1,586 Eaton 337 Emmet 1,593 Genesee 438 Gladwin ROGER FLEMING, executive Gratiot 1.585secretary of the American Farm Hillsdale 1.654 Bureau Federation. 2,129 Huron Ingham 1.254Shiawassee 1,377 Ionia ... St. Clair Iosco 259 St. Joseph 1.268Isabella Tuscola 1,254 Jackson Van Buren 1.271 Kalamazoo Washtenaw Kalkaska 128 Wayne Kent 1.770 Wexford Lapeer 1,696 1,804 Lenawee Total 1,214 Livingstor Macomb 1,294 **Fines Imposed** Manistee 334 Mason 710 For Over-Planting 896 Mescota Midland 678 Fines totaling \$1,200,000 were 491 Missaukee paid by 4,000 wheat growers for Monroe 1.482exceeding their 1954 marketing Montcalm 1,267 quotas, the U.S. Dep't of Agri-Montmorency 193 culture has announced. The De-Muskegon 576 partment is required to collect these fines under the Agricul-Newago 804

2.380

2,306

1.123 tural Act of 1949. 1.237The fines, averaging about \$300 819 per farm, were paid at the rate of 417 \$1.12 per bushel, or 45% of the 733 parity price on May 1, 1954. 163 Over-quota tobacco farmers 1.697498

paid \$3,200,000 with cotton and peanut farmers adding another million to the fines collected.

1,307

1,589

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747

352

.70,000

ducers also respond to market conditions, although it takes longer because of the difference in the operations. The point is that farmers generally will do the

November 1, 1955 TWO

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Port Austin.





Bureaus

CLARE L. McGHAN Coordinator of Community Farm Bureau for MFB

Dear Community Farm Bureau Members:

We wish to extend our congratulations to the Community Farm Bureaus and Discussion Leaders that are listed here. This recognition is given to these groups and leaders for the outstanding contribution they have made to the Community Farm Bureau program this past year.

These groups held a meeting every month, discussed and came to conclusion on each of the twelve state discussion topics. We believe that this list proves that it can be done and we hope to see more groups listed here next year. Here are the 100% participation Community Farm

> Newaygo Ashland group, N. R. Brown, Grant, Beaver-Denver group, Robert Bayle,

Hesperia, Brookside group, Henry Bode, Fre-

N. W. Michigan Elmwood group, Miss Sylvia Laut-

Grant group, Ervin Davis, Buckley, Monroe Center group, Mrs. Alden Call, Grawn.

Oceana Benona group, Elwyn Henrickson, Shelby.

West Branch

Parisville group, Michael Spitza, Minden City, Sheridan group, O. H. Blair, Bad Bureau groups and their discus-Axe. Axe. South Brookfield, group, Edward Mellendorf, Owendale. South Meade group, Max Ritter, Barton City Community Farm Bu-reau group, Charence Hawes, discus-sion leader, Barton City. Bean Hill group, Ernest Basselman. Barton City. Curtisville group, Hollis Abbott, South Branch. Dean group, Carl Haring, Mikado. South Meade group, Max Fifter, Bad Axe. Verona group, Mrs. Bruce Crum-back, Bad Axe. West Brookfield group, Charles Orr, Sebewaing. West Huron group, Harland Śmith, Sebewaing. Dean group, Carl Haring, Mikado. Frenchtown group, Russell Ansted,

Mt. Joy group, Robert Young, Har-Ingham Dexter Trail group, Mrs. Ellsworth Brown, Mason. Onondaga group, Clifford Mumby, Vaughn Lake group, Frank Pren-tice, Glennie. Leslie. West Delhi group, Asil Townsley, North Otsego group, Russell Harper, Holt Otsego, Sand Creek group, Henry Tuesink, Allegan, lonia LeValley group, Harvey Habenicht,

South Campbell group, Hershberger, Lake Odessa. Howard Bolton group, Mrs. Roland Ohlrich, Posen. Briar Hill group, Mrs. Ardine Sprage, Herron. Evergreen group, Emil Banks. losco Grant No. 1 group, Mrs. Earl Her-iman, McIvor, Lower Hemiock group, Walter freen, East Tawas. Sherman group, Warren Britt, Leer group, Emil Banks, Lachine. Long Rapids group, Lloyd McCon-ell, Lachine. Pioneer group, Harold Wegmeyer, Herron. Sprati No. 2, Mrs. Estil Josey, Lachine. urner. isabella Broomfield group, Emil Lueder, Mount Pleasant. Coldwater group, Clynton Sloan, Star group, Mrs. Louise Theim, Al-Barryton.

pena, Wellington group, Mrs. Ben Wir-gau, Hawks. Wilson group, Fred Paquette, Al-pena. Jackson Hanover-Horton group, Hebert Valker, Hortoa, Napoleon group, B. A. Praseus, Hor-Parma group, Eldon Zleter, Albion. Pulaski Twp. group, Richard Isles, Litchfield. Arenac Maple Grove group, Albert Adamski,

anchileld. Sandstone Spring Arbor group, leorge Crissenbery, Jackson, Springport group, Mrs. Walter ichmidt, Springport. Standish. Whitney group, Mrs. Henry Ellison, Beigh group, Barry James Rizor, Nash-Bell group, Howard G. Bayley, Bellovue. Kalamazoo County Center group, Lester Web

Ster, Scotts. Texas Corners group, Gervin Blank-shire, Mattawan. Tri Two. group, Mrs. Esther Lar-zelere, Schoolcraft. Highbanks group, Ernle Bateman, Hastings. Pratt Creek group, Nial Casteline, inaw. South Carlton group, Keith Marlow,

Kent



Just the Age

The three Big Boys are off to school, D'Arcy and Chris and Dan. One only now must bide at home To be his mother's man. It seems like such a little while Since school claimed only one, Such a short time since three remained-So swift the seasons run!

Now little Beany stays alone While all the rest are leaving To take their proper burdens up,-But Beany isn't grieving. He has three hours-and they are his, In which to run or rest, To ride the tractor of his choice, To do as suits him best.

Three hours are his, to climb or dig; To see the dewdrops glisten: To gossip with the garbage man; To clamor or to listen. Three golden hours-and life to live. While they seek erudition Small Beany runs the show alone, Devoid of competition.

Oh, he will be on hand with shouts To welcome their returning When home at noon his brothers troop, Replete with noise and learning. Though yet too young to fare afield He is not one to harbor a Least grudge. "I'm just the age," says he, "To stay at home with Barbaral"

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

Holiday season driving may be

safer because of a new Michigan

will require that "decorations

The same law, sponsored by

Howell.

Senator Elmer Porter of Bliss-

Farm Income Problem is Surplus

Changes Near (Continued from Page 1) For Highway sources from overproduction of one commodity to overproduction of another.

Ogemaw Bass Lake group, Jesse Dotson, "The Farm Bureau is studying 'soil bank' plans which would re-move acreage from production and apton. Hauptman group, Fred White, Sr., move acreage from production and Prior Creek group, Mrs. Earl Tuckdevote it to soil building crops and practices.

er, Rose City. South Edwards group, Leonard Pfeiffer, West Branch. Pleasant Hill group, J. E. Kelly, West Branch. "Certainly it is better to store law which limits the placing of Osceola West Highland group, Jack East-way, Tustin. fertility in the soil than to store decorations and banners over surpluses in government bins. streets and highways. The new But we are under no illusion that provisions are in line with the Hetherton group, William Leino, the 'soil bank' idea is fool-proof, resolutions approved at the 1954 "There is danger of making the MFB annual meeting, which

Johannesburg. Mount Jack group, Edwin E. Peter-son, Elmira. Porcupine Lake group, Mrs. Zella Moorhead, Gaylord. surplus situation worse by pouring called attention to the danger of new capital into agriculture. Any the "many lighted signs and new program should encourage colored displays." farmers to balance total farm pro- The law, effective October 14. Ottawa Bauer group, Herman Schonwald, duction with demand.

Bell group, Arden Huizenga, Grand-"It also should reduce the pres- and banners which may be placed ent over-emphasis on price sup- over the traveled portion of any Forest Grove group, Hiram Yntema, port levels, and help us to move street or highway shall be placed Robinson Twp. group, A. M. Wolf, Jr., Grand Haven, • Talmadge No. 1 group, Henry Mod-derman, Marne, Talmadge No. 2 group, Benton Har-bor, Grand Rapids. away from the individual crop not closer than 10 feet on either allotment approach which has side of traffic lights or signals."

"We in Farm Bureau have not field, requires that traffic control Birch Run group, Melvin Berg, reached final conclusions about signals be placed over 'the Birch Run. Bridgeport group, Otto Schluckepeir, Bridgeport. the kind of soil bank program we traveled portion of the highway. want, but we do know that it must Authorities have until January Pioneer group, Earl Shepherd, Sag-

be designed to bring about a sub- 1, 1958, to change existing curb stantial reduction in the total light installations.

Secretaries of **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-tkett, McBain, R-1. Monroe-Mrs. Viola Eipperle, kado. Alpena-Mrs. Esther Kennedy, 7690 Ida East Road, Ida. Montcalm-Mrs. Carl Johnson, Posen, R-1. Antrim-Richard Wieland, Ells-Pierson, R-1. Muskegon - Mrs. Mildred worth. Arenac-Mrs. Ray Simmons, Church, Holton, R-1. Newaygo-Mrs. Carroll Robin-Twining. Barry-Mrs. Leota Pallas, 121 son, Grant, R-1. N. Church St., Hastings. N. W. Michigan-Mrs. Rose-Bay-Mrs. Russell Madison. mary King, 336 W. Front St., Main and South Henry St., Bay Traverse City. Oakland-Seeley Tinsman, Fen-City. Benzie-Mrs. Glenn Robotham, ton, R-2. Beulah, R-1. Oceana - Mrs. Hull Yeager, Berrien-Miss Barbra Foster, Hart, R-3. P. O. Box 113, Berrien Springs. Ogemaw - Mrs. Arnold Mat-Branch-Mrs. Belle Newell, 16 thews, West Branch. N. Hanchett St., Coldwater. Osceola-Mrs. Fred A. Johnson, Calhoun-Mrs. Harry King, Hersey, R-1. Otsego-Mrs. Walter Miller, Room 16, Town Hall, Marshall. Cass-Mrs. Verneda Schmok, Gaylord, R-2. Box 97, Cassopolis. Ottawa-Mrs. Merle Harrinton, Charlevoix-Mrs. Leslie Sheri-Allendale. dan, East Jordan, R-2. Presque Isle - Mrs. Herbert Cheboygan-Mrs. Tom Baker, Paull. Hawks. Cheboygan. Saginaw-Mrs. Ethel N. Fuller, Clare-Mrs. Frank Pumphrey, Box 1169, Saginaw. Clare, R-1. Sanilac-Mr. Mary Ellen Klaty, Clinton-Mrs. Helen Murton, Sandusky. 103 E. State St., St. Johns. Shiawassee-Mrs. Ruth Alex-Delta-Mrs. Clarence Sundquist, ander, Corunna, R-2. Escanaba, R-1. St. Clair-Mrs. Beulah Burrows,

Eaton-Mrs. Dorothy Anderson, 81047 N. Main, Memphis. 142 S. Pearl St., Charlotte. Emmet-Mrs. Roscoe Williams, Centerville. 414 Jackson St., Petoskey.

Genesee-Mrs. Gladys Saunt- 71, Caro. man, G-2501 Flushing Rd., Flint. Gladwin-Mrs. Dorothy Badger, hanson, 123 Paw Paw St., Law-

Gladwin, R-1. rence. Gratiot-Mrs. Wilma Feight, 109 Washtenaw - Mrs. Emma B N. Pine River, Ithaca. Howeison, 1091/2 E. Washington,

Hillsdale-Mrs. Gretna Van-Office 4, Ann Arbor. Fleet, 47 S. Howell St., Hillsdale. Wayne-Mrs. Robert Simmons Huron-Mrs. Barbara Bouck, 51140 Geddes Road, Belleville. 180 E. Huron St., Bad Axe. Wexford-Mrs. Laverne Jacobs,

Ingham-Mrs. Dorothy Surato, Manton, R-3. 3561/2 S. Jefferson St., Mason. Ionia - Mrs. Lester Covert,

Farm Bureau 1111/2 N. Depot St., Ionia. Isabella-Mrs. Marie Farnan, 301 E. Pickard St., Mt. Pleasant. Iosco-Mrs. William Herriman, At Work Tawas City. Jackson-G. E. Williams, Springport, R-1. Kalamazoo - Mrs. Mabel K.

Bacon, Kalamazoo, R-5. Kalkaska-Mrs. Esther Dunlap, Kalkaska, R-1.

Kent-Mrs. Arvil Heilman, 204 announcement of an all Farm Bu-Kerr Bldg., 6 28th St. S. E., Grand reau broadcast in its October re-Rapids 8. leases. Lapeer-Mrs. Helen Swayze,

48 W. Park St., Lapeer. Lenawee-Mrs. Alice Collins, morning, is under the direction of Adrian, R-1. Livingston-Mrs. Mary Lou Education and Research of the Stevens, 214 N. Walnut St., Michigan Farm Bureau.

Macomb-Mrs. Madaline Douglas, Washington, R-1. Manistee-Harry Taylor, Cope- grams of Farm Bureau over the

mish. R-1. Elmer L. Fredericks, Mason-El

Over WKAR Radio Station WKAR of Michigan State University included an

This program, which will go on the air at 10:30 each Saturday Donald Kinsey, coordinator of

St. Joseph-Mrs. Beulah Timm,

Tuscola-Mrs. Jane Stiner, Box

Van Buren-Mrs. Katherine Jo-

Send today for free booklet, The program will be entitled "Concrete Masonry Farm "Farm Bureau at Work." It will Homes." It's full of ideas and depict current activities and prodescribes many plans available through various state colleges. state. It will bring to the public

time with the song "The American Farm Bureau Spirit" as its theme song. Listen on wave length 870 each Saturday morning at 10:30 A. M.

Farm Superintendent Byron Good of Michigan State College claims that horses are just coming into their own in Michigan for pleasure riding.

Don't Delay! YOUR

> FARM BUREAU DUES

Today

MAIL DUES to your County Farm Bureau Secretary. See page 2 for the address. It is given in article headed County Farm Bureau Secretaries.



Attractive New Homes in CONCRETE MASONRY

Economy, beauty, durability and comfort are important qualities in a modern home. A concrete masonry house gives you all four and more-it can't burn! That's priceless protection for farm families.

Sanilac Duff group, Floyd Dale, Marlette, McClellan Corners group, Mrs. John is also a Farm Bureau Farm Bureau people from the This amount of agricultural resources Campbell Lake group, John Bierce, PORTLAND CEMENT Auburn group, Mrs. Erie Senn, used in producing for the market." supported provision. Voting dele-Scottville local level to the national level. Putz, Croswell, group, Herman Fitch, ASSOCIATION Dutton group, Oliver Kraft, Calegates last year said, "We favor Mecosta-Mrs. Margaret Fitz- It will take the listener to the Benzie Thompsonville group, Mrs. Eldridge May, Thompsonville, Carsonville. To get the best concrete, keep the uniform use of center-located gerald, Big Rapids, R-1. Brockway group, Albert Tatoris, Yale. scene of Farm Bureau operations. Honey Creek group, Mrs. Ernest Michigan National Tower, Lansing 8 A national organization to improve and extend the uses of portland cement and concrete . . . through scientific research and engineering field work it damp for five to seven days traffic lights." Midland - Mrs. Roy Varner, This can be done because the South Kent group, Gerald Waldeck, Caledonia, Jates, Midland, R-3. program will be transcribed. after you pour it, advice MSC St. Joseph North Fablus group, Charles Beal, Branch Missaukee-Mrs. Bonnie Bur- The broadcast will open each Bethel group, Jess Waldron, Cold-water. Buy Farm Bureau Feed. agricultural engineers. Lapeer Elba Hadley group, Miss Ella helps, Lapeer. Marathon group, Irvin Metcalf, olumbiaville. Three Rivers. Park Twp. group, George Copen-hafer, Mendon. Calhoun Duck Lake group, Ross Cortright, White Pigeon group, Delvin Hen-dricks, White Pigeon. 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Lodi group, Armin Haeussler, (11-2t-25p) FARM To dress up a fruit cake Lincoln Ave. group, Elmer Delemar-ter, Cheboygan. regory. West Chester group, Harvey Press-SALE-Registered Landrace, rec-ognized meat-type hog from Founda-tion herd, Saturday, November 12, 1:00 p.m., 1½ miles west of Nobels-ville, Indiana, Indiana Road No. 32, heated building. 50 gilts and 25 boars, sired by or bred to imported boars. Write for catalog, Willow Tree Farm, Nobelsville, Indiana, (11-11-44b) Fruit cakes can be good to look at as well as Superior group, Gordon Gill, Ypsi-AGENTS WANTED Eaton North Windsor group, Roy Osborn. anti, Tri Twp. group, Edward Filsinger, to eat. Glazes and decorations can make your West Marion group, Bruce H. Love Howell. MAKE \$135 and up every week. Full or part time. Take orders for Amer-ica's largest selling, nationally adver-tised Liquid Fertilizer since 1946. Written Money-Back Guarantee. No investment. Excellent opportunity for expansion. 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Sixteen group, Foster Dohms, Har from BROWN SWISS-Registered Brown Swiss fresh cows, open helfers, bull and helfer calves. All from produc-tion records dams. 14 years testing. Member M.S.U. 400 Club last two years. Edward Bush, 1085 Briggs Road Reese, Michigan. (10-21-37p) on, Flushing. Gaines group, Don Lahring, Byron. Mundy Center group, Walter Mit-hell, Swartz Creek. S. W. Richfield group, Joe Goodrich, BARN EQUIPMENT When the final glaze is thoroughly dry, wrap MICHIGAN BELL ACORN BARN CLEANER-5-plow gang travels 150 feet per minute in single or double gutters. Returns auto-matically. Literature free. Write Ot-Micht **Paying Dues** and store your cake until ready to use. Mason Lincoln River group, John Rakoski, CORRIEDALE SHEEP - Pick up your ram now. A small deposit will hold until wanted. Your choice, \$75.00. I can use one Shropshire, two Hamp-shires, four Corriedales under five years in exchange. George E. Mike-sell, Charlotte R-4, Michigan. South on US-27 at Ripley's garage. (9-3t-40b) Davidson. West Forest group, Archle McAl-Freesoil matically, Literature free, Wr tawa-Hitch Box 321, Holland, Mecosta Haymarsh group, Herman Krahn, By Mail is Gladwin Busy Beaners group, Clifford Payne, Beaverton, Podunk group, Right Foutch, Glad-win. gan. (10-2t-26b) Big Rapids. Morley group, Milford Croff, Mor-DEALERS, AGENTS WANTED DEALERS, Salesmen make extra noney selling barn equipment. Write Ottawa-Hitch, Box 321, Holland, Mich-A Big Help Pogy group, Delmer Preston, Evart. Townline group, Milton Fenster-macher, Big Rapids. Pine River group, Donald Brown,

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(10-2t-15b) igan. WOMEN Hillsdale East Adams group, Roscoe Halnes, North Adams. GOOD MONEY in weaving. Weave rugs at home for neighbors on \$69-50 Union Loom. Thousands doing it. Booklet free. Union Looms. 174 Post St., Boonville, N. Y. (11-11-24b) Penny, Coleman. dues by all County Farm Bu-reaus. The notices will go out during the first two weeks in November. Nearly half of the Farm Bureau members renowned their member Missaukee Beach group, Milton Reese, Har-Central group, Ben Shetenhelm, Lake City, Pleasant Point group, Orville See-ye, McBain, FREE—"Ideas for Sewing with Cotton Bags" — a new 24-page Illus-trated book of suggestions for making attractive clothing, household acces-sories, glifts, and toys from thrifty colorful Cotton Bags. Simplicity fash-ions for your Cotton Bag sewing. Send postcard today to National Cotton Council, Box 76, Memphis, Tennessee. (3-9t-48b) Berne group, John Eichler, Pigeon. Bingham group, Mrs. Margaret chram, Ubly. ye, McBain. Riverside group, Pete Sikkema, Mc-Bain. members renewed their member-Newburg group, Adolph Jedryczka, MAPLE SYRUP PRODUCERS Water group, Lawrence Pochlue Water group, Lawrence Poch-Port Hope, entral Brookfield group, Szidik, ship last year by mail. An even FOR ORDERS placed in November The mail collection process has saved the membership workers a great deal of time and effort and has allowed for a much greater emphasis on the new-member larger percentage is expected this Carleton Newport group, Melvin Reaume, Owendale. Central Huron group, Mrs. Ray Newport, West Dundee group, Albert R. Mil-ler, Dundee. A little cheer goes a long way **Breeding tips** East Siegel group, James Shubitow-ski, Harbor Beach. Eim Creek group, Roman Messing, Ruth. Bad Axe. (3-9t-48b) Especially when it goes by telephone! Because it is so personal, so much like talking face to Put off breeding your dairy cows at least two Montcalm Belvidere group, Clifton Almy, Six BABY CHICKS
 U.S. CERTIFIED, pullorum clean descriptive material. (6tf-45b)
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 Pockets
 All pockets in or on wool clothing should be reinforced with wigan or muslin to ease the strain on the fabric.
 Descent and the strain on the fabric. BABY CHICKS months after they freshen. Michigan State akes. Bushnell group, Charles Draper, University dairymen say that a cow bred back face, the telephone gives news from home new Forest Bay group, Harold Cox, Harsooner will have a short lactation. They point warmth and meaning. Take that youngster Fenwlek Grant group, Mrs. James Welborn, out that farmers who have cows bred back Fairplains group, Keith King, drive. off at school, for instance. Or some other mem-Gagetown. Halfway group, Caas Ginther, Har-hor Beach. during the first two heat periods only irritate ber of the family away from home. Better Maple Valley group, Everitt Race, than the words themselves, perhaps, a tele-phone call tells them that they are missed and the reproductive system before it has a chance Montcalm Progressive group, Mrs. Kenneth Peterson, Greenville. ilmanagh group, Edward Geiger, to get back to normal. Fewer services are Pigeon. Lake Shore group, Clare Arm-strong, Port Hope. Lighthouse group, Nathan Kauf-man, Port Hope. remembered at home. Isn't there someone who needed when cows are bred around the two-Big Rock group, Mrs. Sadle Miller, Pockets month mark. would appreciate a call from you today? Birley group, Fred Deford, Atlanta. East Rust group, Gordon Wickham, Lucky Fifty group, Bruce Protzman, MICHIGAN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY Caseville, McKinley group, Mrs. Henry Mc-Muskegon Holton group, Severt Swensen, Hol- on the fabric. Huron group, Earl J. Scott,

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DONALD D. KINSEY Coordinator of Research and Education, MFB

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During the thirty-six years since 1919 are to be found the successes and mistakes that normally go into the building of a house.

History of the Times

The Farm Bureau in the 1920's had a large task before it. To be effective it must gain the recognition of other economic groups and political parties. Business and labor organizations were already powerful. But farmers lacked an effectively organized spokesman.

Neither of the major political parties was willing to recognize farm problems as being important to our general economy. It was very difficult to get an audience before state or national political committees that were writing the party's program. When farm people did get a hearing their pleas fell on relatively deaf ears.

In the latter part of the 20's this picture began to change. It became evident to national leaders that agriculture was leading the way to a collapse in the economy because of the steady decline in farm income.

In 1927 and 1928 Congress passed the McNary-Haugen farm price support bills sponsored by Farm Bureau, only to have them vetoed by President Coolidge.

In 1929, however, President Hoover signed the first important agricultural bill to aid the farmer. It was the Federal Agricultural Marketing Act. It was not a solution to the farm problem, but it was a step in that direction. And it afforded a basis out of which more constructive programs could be developed.

In the decade of the 1930's, the nation recognized the importance basic crops. These supports on basic crops. These supports of of agriculture as a major factor to range from 52% to 75% of in our economic health. Other groups became concerned over of surplus of the supported crop. the farmer's problem. Farm Burcau leaders found it easier to get support for the development of a farm program.

Congressional committees opened their doors and listened. The federal Agricultural Marketing Act was followed by the establishment of the AAA program in 1933. Supports on farm prices at 52% of parity were established. The object was mainly to adjust production so as to maintain a firm market price at profitable levels.

These supports were to be paid Talk was about "incentive and out of a processing tax, but the plan was ruled unconstitutional than production control pay- were forgotten. Congress and the In the later half of the decade of by the U.S. Supreme Court in ments.



should be set up.

doubled nationally - and quadrupled in Michigan. During this time the level of flexible price supports was adjusted by law to the level of 75% to 90% of parity as a possible protection against severe decline in farm prices on if the farmer plans to feed the the free market.

But political opportunists were at Washington. The disaster of and controls whether they choose this era lay in the fact that the to be or not. farm program was fastened upon by party politicians as a means to keep or win party They fostered larger power. appropriations and larger bureaus to administer the expanding farm program.

Some Congressmen came to be- is the greatest in their history. lieve that their political futures depended upon out-bidding each other for farm appropriations to keep the support levels high and mandatory. The 75% to 90% support program was never given a trial.

From year to year "temporary" bills were passed holding the support level at a rigid 90% on basic crops. Farm Bureau had a

fight on its hands. It was a fight The 40's were typically a war for freedom. It was a fight decade. The extremely high deagainst controls that were inmand upon agriculture for its evitable under the high support products kept farm prices high. program. It was a fight for the Supports on the basic crops rareright to operate one's farm as ly had to be used. Prices stayed the farmer himself chose to do.

The supports levels stood in In fact, farm prices rose by leaps and bounds. Under the danger of becoming a ceiling on needs of the war a new use for the farmer's income rather than a floor to protect him against support prices emerged. Federal funds were used to increase pro- dangerous decline of income. It duction rather than to reduce it. | was to be an uphill fight.

economic groups now wanted a The extent of the controls over department, a records departvoice in how the farm program production on a farm are broader ment, a publicity department and than most persons realized. Rules legislative department.

as yet to appear.

vears

horizon. Membership averaged

about 7200 families in these five

A Farm Machinery Department was established in 1935.

other state Farm Bureaus.

The average membership from

1942 saw the Blue Cross Hospi-

1940 to 1944 was 16,300 with the

were developed.

requiring "cross-compliance" are It was an era in which Farm part of the law. They begin to total production.

Allotments on all supported crops must be conformed to in order to collect the supports on the critical crop. Penalties must be paid for overproduction, even excess to his livestock. And all

Thus with the first real encroachment of the control pro-

gram over their Farm operations, Farm Bureau people face a problem of growing proportions. The half of the 30's. And a number of outcome of that problem has yet to be decided. The issue they face

MEMBERSHIP HISTORY

Growth in the membership of the Michigan Farm Bureau has been a product of a number of things since its beginning in 1919. As we have pointed out, without doubt the major farm issues have had much to do with it in the later years. In the early country. It has gained the reyears, however, there were ups and downs.

During the early 20's less than two-thirds of the eligible counties were affiliated with the Michigan Farm Bureau. The very large membership signed for the first year rapidly dwindled away. Actually the membership average

of the first five years totaled around 24,000 families. But Farm Bureau had not yet

numbers increasing rapidly. built a strong program. It had rather few legislative accomplishments to support a needed talization Plan offered to mem-In the political battle that now prestige. It had a few services. bers through Community Farm

farmer's organizations. Other the control program to appear. ministrative staff, a membership sonnel Division was also organiz ed that year. 1949 marked the incorporation

In 1920, they set up a seed of the Farmers Petroleum Coopdepartment, and 1922 a feed de- erative, Inc. and the Farm Bur-Bureau membership more than put their finger on the farmer's partment. These were expanded eau Mutual Insurance Company in 1925 to become the Seed Ser- of Michigan. The automobile invice and the Supply Service. Then surance program brought an in 1929 these Services were immediate drop in rates to farmmerged and incorporated to form ers by all companies in the southern peninsula of Michigan. the Farm Bureau Services, Inc.

> Continued growth of the mem-In 1926 the Michigan Farm pership program during the early Bureau become the state agency 1950's in spite of dropping farm for the State Farm Mutual Inprices indicates the health of the surance Company. An Insurance organization and the worth of Department was organized to its services to the farmer. The direct the work. But actual memfive year average was about 52, ber-participation programs were 500 families with a peak reached in 1955 of 65,830 families. Mem-The membership picture show-

> bership goals were reached in ed some improvement in the last record time during this period. new programs appeared on the

New programs developed during the early 1950's include the formation in 1950 of the MFB. Farm Supply Department to assist the business services. In 1950, the Farm Bureau Life Insurance

Company was organized. A second fertilizer plant was built The Community Farm Bureau program was started in 1936. at Kalamazoo in 1953. Fire in-This program laid the groundsurance and group life insurance work for one of the best memberwere offered in 1954. participation programs in the

During this period also the spect of adult educators every-Farm Bureau was instrumental where. It has been copied by in promoting the financing and organization of livestock auction The early 1940's began a peryards at Battle Creek and St. iod of rapid growth and expan-Louis, Michigan. Similar aids to sion in membership and profarmers in organizing marketing grams. The war brought better programs are under way in other parts of the state in 1955. farm prices. New participation programs and member services

MEMBERSHIP GROWTH OF MICHIGAN FARM BUREAU - 97,264* - 47,560 - 21,358 - 28,642 - 23,000 - 22,749 - 10,114 - 8,788 - 11,355 - 4,351 $\begin{array}{c} 9.351\\ 9.3519\\ 5.7096\\ 1.5427\\ 5.75223\\ 7.8223\\$

Delta Farm Bureau Organized

(Continued from Page 1) reau Advisory Committee that ing in that State. This publication is available to those interested was selected early this spring helped a great deal in bringing things to the successful climax Monday, October 17. The committee was made up of the following farm families: Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Ford; Mr. Ford was chairman; Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Bergman, (he vice chairman); Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Sundquist (she was secretary); Mr. and Mrs. Harold Woodard, Mr. and Mrs. How-

ard Schire and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Williamson. This committee met many times and gave a lot of thought and effort to organizing the Delta County Farm Bureau.

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Farm Bureau Secretary. See page 2 for the address. It is given in article headed County Farm **Bureau** Secretaries better seed

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1936. Under Farm Bureau sponsorship Congress then enacted the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act. Large Congressional appropriations became necessary to carry the pro- his prosperity. gram.

public attitude, the farmers again Because the crop control features of this Act were without had to put up a serious battle to force a new AAA measure was receive consideration for their enacted in 1938 to replace the program in Congress. Opposition 1936 program. Within the 1938 groups began to stand against



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This Act crowned Farm Bureau's

second decade

above support levels.

One marked effect of this philosophy was to change the public increasing the "give-away" pro- Farm Bureau. attitude from one of sympathy gram in anticipation of the next for the farmer to one of envy for electon.

As a result of the changing support program itself before the of the fact that the farmer needshowdown with the farmer on eau alive. The membership averreal production controls.

Farm Bureau membership 30's was a mere 2,950 families vices were developed during the grew constantly under the fight with a low in 1933 of only 1,542. last half of the 1940's. 1945 saw it was waging over this issue of high supports. The issue emerged high supports. The issue emerged into the clear as one between a first enterprise capitalist system the 30's departments for serving Education Department, the Comfree enterprise capitalist system the 30's departments for serving Education Department, the Comand one of state socialism in the membership had been developed modity Relations Department, early 50's.

Farmers are businessmen who their lands to earn a profit. For generations they have planned and produced according to their own free decisions.

The threat to this freedom by a system that began to say that the "Profit Motive" was evil - a socialist system that would police their production—caused many to turn to Farm Bureau as one of the most important kinds there are special hazards, such as

But the bureaus in govern- carry. The usual standardized or a steam boiler explosion, etc. ment had become powerful. Congress was weak. Controls came inevitably. High rigid price sup- says Lucille Ketchum, the Michiports were continued into 1953- gan State University cooperative in peacetime-for the Korean extension service. armistice had been signed.

The incentive payments helped tion from damage caused by to create a bumper crop of wheat storms, tornadoes, cyclones, exin 1953 and staggering surpluses plosions, riots or civil war, an developed. It then became nec- additional premium must be essary to invoke the control laws paid. The cost of this "extended to cut production on wheat. coverage" is about one-third of Farmers were asked to vote to the basic premium. It is added to accept or reject marketing quotas the policy as a written endorsefor their 1954 crops. ment

Surpluses and the loss of ex-Endorsements which are added port markets had begun to drop to the basic policy may take in a safe place outside the insurfarm prices seriously in 1953. The many forms.

government held a tremendous One such endorsement prosurplus that could be turned vides protection against smoke loose on the market at any time. damage which may occur in the It was a potential threat to the absence of fire-for example, in free market price. Farmers were homes where oil is used for heat-"over a barrel." Rejection of the ing or cooking. Recently a nummarketing quota meant a drop in ber of companies have started support levels to 50% of parity- writing "additional extended a disaster price. In the face of coverage" for as many as nine or falling farm prices they voted 10 different perils, some of which for the quotas. formerly were specifically excluded.

Only in the present year of

were forgotten. Congress and the In the later half of the decade of In 1943 the Farm Bureau help-

government bureaus pushed to- the 20's membership fell with ed to organize the Michigan ward a larger farm control em- them. The average was around Association of Farmer Cooperpire, or sought to curry votes by 12,400 families in the Michigan atives.

Depression years were hard five year average was 40,600.

rect loss from fire and lightning,

There was little need for the for membership as well. In spite 1947 at 48,100. There was a tem-1950's. The Korean war, too, in ed his organization more than increase in due from \$5 to \$10 1950, kept farm prices up for a ever, only a few hardy souls The dues increase was to procouple of years and avoided a hung on and kept the Farm Bur- vide for an expanded program.

age for the first five years of the It should not be assumed that an expansion of the program for by the Michigan Farm Bureau. and the Legal Division.

At the very outset in 1919, the In 1946 construction was members had established their started on the first fertilizer own their property and work state Board of Directors, an ad- factory in Saginaw. The Per-

From 1945 to 1949 the growth continued at a goodly pace. The

"Total reported "on paper" in years for the farmers and hard families. A peak was reached in 75 counties. It was estimated that a little more than half of the porary drop in 1948 due to an 97,264 paid the first year's dues.

Numerous programs and ser-

Nine out of every ten Farm Bureau families with Blue Cross-Blue Shield have the complete hospital-medical-surgical cover-

Kind of Fire Insurance Hospital coverage and surgical coverage are pretty self-explanatory, but medical coverage isn't **On Home is Important** quite so clear. Sometimes folks don't understand just what medical coverage is, even though 30 per cent of all Blue Shield services are for medical cases. a means of fighting this danger. of protection for a family to the possibility of smoke damage, 173 Blue Shield medical patients. In 1954, doctors cared for 82,-

policy covers, primarily, the di- The additional premium is small. Blue Shield provides 120 days medical coverage. It says that you Insurance on contents-houseuse it when you are hospitalized hold goods-may be added as an

endorsement, if you carry it with the same company that insures IF WE ARE to obtain protec- your house. Such items as money, deeds and securities are not covered.

> FOR such property as antique coverage are asthma, diabetes, furniture and paintings, it is polio, heart trouble, ulcers, well to have an agreement with pneumonia, rheumatic fever, the company as to value, at the hepatitis and hypertension. time the policy is drawn up. However, if you are admitted

> AN INVENTORY of household to the hospital for tuberculosis, goods should be made and kept nervous or mental conditions, Blue Shield provides care for only 30 days per contract year. ed buildings.

> Fire insurance policies are Sometimes a Blue Cross-Blue written for one, three and five- Shield member may use both his year terms. The rates for the medical and surgical coverage three- and five-year terms are during one hospital stay. For exenough lower to make it worth- ample, he may be admitted for while to buy fire insurance on medical reasons and his doctor this basis. It is important to make may decide later that surgery is adjustments in your policy as necessary. In that case Blue improvements are made, or new Shield will pay the doctor furnishings added. Coverage according to the Schedule of should be re-checked periodically Benefits for the medical as well so that it is kept in line with up- as the surgical services provided the patient.



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District 3

Mrs. Sherman Richards, Chmn. Napoleon

ty, October 13.

her county.

The program started with a only one school using the procoffee hour, giving those women gram when the Farm Bureau who had driven a long way some- Women took over the project. thing to tide them over until lunch time. The Rev. Mr. Fitch ing with a prayer. Mrs. Sherman

Farm Bureau has with other or- Manager of the MFB Member ganizations, such as Mental Service Division. Health, Rural Health, Nurses Mrs. Carlton Ball, state chair-

League, Sister Kenny Founda- man, said that Farm Bureau Wotion, and others. Mrs. Marjorie men are taking part in many Karker told us that every wo- projects and activities, such as: man in a Farm Bureau home is a Outdoor Life Committee, Aging member of the women of Farm Conference, Nursing Project, Bureau.

ship between Farm Bureau members and regional men. Each county chairman told what they had been doing and were planning to do in their counties. Their reports always prove to be very interesting and helpful.

A delicious lunch was served by the women of the church.

Dr. Donald C. Coohon, public health veterinarian in the Michigan Department of Health, spoke on the diseases of animals and how they may affect hu- duties and responsibilities. mans. This proved to be very interesting. Many questions were asked following his talk. We concluded the program

with seeing pictures taken of Michigan that are to be shown abroad to the Associated Country Women of the World.

Mrs. Sherman Richards, chairman of District 3, resigned at the close of this meeting and turned the gavel over to Mrs. Walter Wolfgang, vice chairman, who will finish out the term of office. We will tell more about each county's activities in our next report to the paper .-- Mrs. Walter Wolfgang

District 5 Mrs. Harold Nye, Chairman Olivet, R-2

The fall meeting of District 5 Farm Bureau Women was held

votions by Clinton county. Each county gave a report of its year's work. The accomplishment draw-District 3 women held their ing the most favor was the profall meeting at the Dixboro Meth- gram worked out by Shiawasodist Church in Washtenaw coun- see county. They have made it possible for between 20 and 25

schools to have milk from the 165 women attended, making special milk fund. This fund is this meeting one of the largest provided by the federal governwe have had in a long time. Per- ment to furnish milk to school haps it was due to the beautiful children, but very few schools fall weather, the good program, are using it so thousands of doland to the good selling job that Mrs. Ray LeMaster of Wash-used. Why? Because teachers tenaw county did, especially for or principals do not like the bother. Shiawassee county had

Eaton county women raised of the church opened the meet- \$307 at their fair booth this year. Ray DeWitt, Regional Repre-Richards, women's chairman of sentative for District 5, explained District 3, welcomed the group, the Member Service Division. Mrs. Carlton Ball, our state The regional representatives are chairman, told of the affiliation responsible to Norwood Eastman,

Safety Commission, Crop Com-Mr. Charles Munford, regional mittee, Cancer, Youth, Blood representative for the Southeast- Bank, Rural Health Conference ern Region, told of the relation- Committee, Civilian Defense, etc. Farm Bureau Women send representatives to all of the above meetings, and in this way contribute their share in helping to carry on these programs. Looking ahead, Mrs. Ball said, "Schools seem to be a major

problem." The ladies of the West Benton to nearby cities. church served a luncheon to the group. Mrs. Marjorie Karker Mrs. Josephine Lawyer, market-

spoke on the proper terminology ing and consumer agent for this of Farm Bureau Women as to area, speak on the problems of The group was then entertained

by two readings from a Genesee county member. Dr. W. Max Decker, assistant to the Commissioner of Health, State of Michigan, spoke on animal diseases transferrable to man.

Films were shown depicting the farm and home life of Mich- men on the tour including some igan. These will be sent to the urban friends. It was a very en-London office of the Associated lightening experience for the wo-Country Women of the World men and very worth while. It to be shown throughout the Eur- was truly a great experience for opean countries. Each county had urban ladies who have little concontributed to the collection of tact with farm life. these colored slides showing Rev. Bruno Brueckner, pastor crops and livestock raised, machinery used, as well as some of invocation at the lunch which the scenic beauty of Michigan.

District 6 Mrs. M. O. Hitchings, Chairman

hosts.

North Street Farm Bureau Women of Dis-

panied the women on the trip. Clyde Cunningham, new market-October 7 at the Congregational trict 6 held their Camp at Sleeper ing agent from this area, gave seventy - nine women attend-ed from the five counties — 12 camp program chairman. Lapeer who is chairman of St. Clair Burgau Women State Park September 28-29. Mrs. them much useful information.



INTERNATIONAL graduate nurses from Wayne University were entertained over a week end by members of the Lapeer County Farm Bureau Women's Committee. They are shown with their hostesses at the home of Mrs. Logan Harris. For details, see Lapeer County article under District 6 on this page.

explained the process of raising think she had a fair picture of D. McQuinn, Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. life here in Huron county. and harvesting the vegetable. The farm of Kenneth Ander-

Tuscola County Women's Comson, former county agent of St. Clair county, was visited. Here the ladies saw great fields of head lettuce and a large patch of blueberries. Mr. Anderson ex- Boy for a second year.

Mrs. Walter Moderow and Mrs. plained that he is also in the peat business and trucks much of it the plastic factory, the new hotel picnics on Sunday afternoon. at Caro and to the State Bank at After lunch, the ladies heard Vassar to view the mural painting on the wall. This was a "Know your County" project.

Sanilac County Women's Committee headed by Mrs. Wesley The women visited the newly Mahaffy of Marlette has been organized Eastern Michigan Veg- busy with dinners and special etable Marketing company at meetings to raise money to sup-Capac to close the tour. There ply the new Farm Bureau kitchen they saw trucks from several in their building at Sandusky, states waiting to load corn, beans,

Lapeer County Women's Farm the county Farm Bureau in Aug-Bureau Committee chartered a ust, 1954. There were nearly fifty wobus for 75 women to go to Detroit as guests of the downtown Young Women Christian Association. They visited a number of classes after greetings by Miss Peck and coffee and cookies with the "Ladies Day Out" women. They saw the nursery where children of the "Ladies Day Out" group of Capac Lutheran Church, gave are cared for while mama plays was served by the ladies of his strokes was enjoyed.

Wyeth, agricultural agent of St. Clair county, accomjoyed chatting and explaining acquainted.

Radelt and Mrs. Colin A. Bryce.

They attended church with mittee had a bake sale at the their host families, helped with Caro Fair and a check for \$120 meals and washing dishes and was paid to sponsor our Korean really made themselves at home. They were entertained with trips to nearby points of interest, a Ruggles planned a tour through dance on Saturday evening and It was a most worthwhile, enjoyable and interesting experience as related by both guests and hosts, with an expressed try entertaining foreign students body again. The guests were returned to the Student Center by their hosts on Sunday evening. Both these projects were a dir ect result of the Rural-Urban dinner and farm tour sponsored by

> Barryton, R-1 Farm Bureau Women of District 7 held their fall district meeting at the Community Build-

Muskegon County Women's and learns. A demonstration of Committee were hostesses. 86 ballet swimming and different women attended. Muskegon and Osceola*each had 15 ladies pre-At noon, luncheon trays were sent. A gavel was presented to carried to the first floor lobby Mecosta county for having the

Ralph Olthouse, regional retheir activities and becoming presentative, explained his duties and their relation to the Women's

In the afternoon the Farm Bur- committees. Mrs. Carlton Ball,

What is Pediatric Nursing?

MISS ESTHER H. READ College of Nursing Wayne University

Pediatric nursing is caring for the nursing needs of children. This is an easy and not very helpful answer to our question if we leave it at that. What then, is included in meeting the nursing needs of babies and children? What does a pediatric nurse need to feel, know, and be able to do?

First of all, her study begins with learning how babies grow and develop into boys and girls. She learns the changes that go on as the fat, squirming, helpless baby, who is dependent on to me!" someone for everything, grows into the slender, well-coordinatpediatric nursing, knowing how ed, competent child who, every to play with children and how day, progresses in self-reliance children play, are important. It toward the independence of is very much harder to get well healthy adult life. when one is bored and restless She learns how great are the differences among normal childthan when one is happy and interested in suitable play. A ren in size and physical compediatric nurse can help her petence, and how each child folpatients through helping them to lows his own pathway for growth be happy as much perhaps as as determined by his heredity, she does by giving them their his nutrition, his health, and his happiness. medicines and treatments.

A nurse can know a lot of facts important however, and there is about the length of children's much in respect to caring for arms and legs or any other vital sick children that differs from statistic one might select, and nursing their parents and grandstill not know much about childparents. Everyone has certain ren needs in common with everyone It isn't just the arm or leg that else, but people at one age or

gets hurt and needs nursing care, another have special wants. it is the child whose arm or leg There are many diseases which

it is that is suffering and whose behavior and reactions the nurse are peculiar to children and wants to understand so that she children may react differently can help him. from adults to the same treat-An integral part of every child ment. Often, care must be inis his personality that is growing dividualized even more for childwish by Farm Bureau women to and developing along with his ren than for their elders. In pediatric nursing one makes

The pediatric nurse has been quick decisions and often finds ment the sick child needs during one has to be pretty spry oneself when the lively youngster his convalescence. Pediatric nurses have first to proves again that severe home



child says peremptorily, "Read anxious and often critical talk of worried parents without irritation and with understanding.

In preparing for a career in And they enjoy all this.

Where do we find pediatric nurses? They may be working in hospitals for children who are either acutely or chronically sick. They may be in residence institutions for children, such as child placement agencies or schools for blind or deaf.

Although there are not many, few nurses are to be found who (Continued on page 5)

Medicines and treatments are **Party Aprons**



TEACHING MOTHERS proper methods before they take

District 7 Mrs. Dale Root, Chairman

ing in Grant October 5. where city and farm women en- most new members at camp.

baby home from the hospital.

from Shiawassee, 21 from Genesee, and 25 from Eaton.

In the absence of the district of Saginaw providing enterchairman, Mrs. Harold Nye, due tainment. Huron county acted as er, the meeting was in charge of Mrs. Ivan Tobey, district vicechairman from Shiawassee coun- Huron a guest speaker. He said Ingham county.



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county led in vespers with Sani- county Farm Bureau Women, lac taking care of recreation and was assisted on the project by Tuscola had Quentin Ostrander Mrs. Fred Welser of St. Clair.

Huron County Farm Bureau Women were on the job at the fair. They fed the 4-H and FFA

her new job.

and cucumbers.

parish.

Irving

Rep. Jesse P. Wolcott of Port boys twice. They feel that 'it has been ty. Mrs. Marjorie Karker assist- there are one million more people worth while these past years ed. Registration was in charge of employed in agriculture today since the boys are able to enjoy than in 1952, therefore causing a wholesome meals at a price any-The meeting opened with de- problem of disposing of surplus. one can afford to pay. Plenty of

Mr. Benson's program very fresh milk, eggs, and ice cream closely resembles the Farm Bur- are to be had.

eau program. The solution lies in Over a period of time the Farm the Farm Bureau program. Bureau Women of Huron county Dr. Donald Coohon, State have paid \$2,300 toward the 4-H Health Department, talked on Club Building. They gave \$200 tuberculosis and some of the dis- this past year for special lamps eases of our wild friends found for the Huron county hospital. in this beautiful wooded area.

As Huron county is a large The Rev. Shelby Lee of Port county with a large membership Huron spoke on education. He and 63 community groups, the was introduced by Mrs. Conkey. county is divided into two Both are members of the White groups, East and West. They House Conference on Education. work very well together and have Mr. Lee said we are learning many other worthy projects. from early childhood through

Mrs. George Southworth, of adulthood. Our problems include Elkton, is chairman of West Hurcommunity education, shortage on County Farm Bureau Women, of teachers and classrooms, and and Mrs. Howard Nugent, Bad Axe, holds the same position What is our job? Inform our- with the East side.

selves of these problems. If dem-Huron county Farm Bureau Women are ever on the alert to ocracy is going to be real we must be informed. We must have keep any and all worth while self-confidence. Humans only projects in their communities as are the Farm Bureau Women of Mrs. Marjorie Karker, coordin- all of the other counties.

ed questions the women asked

her. I am sure a much better

understanding of the Japanese people was brought to us through

Tsuru was in the county for a

day and a half, and we tried to

have her see different phases of

farming in Huron county. She

this meeting.

ator of Farm Bureau Women's The highlight of the West Side Activities, announced the annual meeting, November 9 at Michigan meetings this year was having State University. She urged the Tsuru Nakatani with us at our August meeting, at which the women to send informed mem-East Side women were guests. bers to this meeting. Tsuru spoke to us about her peo-Mrs. Carlton Ball, our state chairman, brought greetings and ple and her country and answer-

told of her activities of the year. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. Paul Lovelace of Huron county, tallest woman present, and Mrs. Alice Traver, Lapeer county, the shortest. Mrs. Mable King of

the handicapped.

have confidence.

Lapeer took the prize for the youngest mother at breakfast. St. Clair County Women's saw two different methods of

Committee with urban guests milking and caring for milk from had a farm tour followed by two large dairy herds. She saw unch at the Lutheran Church at beans threshed with a pick-up Capac and a visit to the new beaner. She saw a field chopper Vegetable Marketing Co-op Sep- at work and a silo being filled. tember 19.

ladies his field of cabbage and some of our teen-agers. So we

were taken on a tour state chairman, told about our of the YWCA and heard about work with other organizations the facilities offered to young in the state. Farm Bureau Women women, children and adults. are being reorganized by other

It was the hottest day of reorganizations for the aid which cord for that date in Detroit, they have given to many worthmaking all of us doubly appreci- while programs. ative of our cool country homes.

late May over the weekend to five International graduate nur-Logan Harris and his daughter brought the girls to Almont, Sat- once every three years.

urday morning, where Mrs. Everyone enjoyed the slides Harris and Mrs. J. L. Hamilton sent in from each district in the home.

ses left with their respective countries. hostesses, Mrs. Wendt, Mrs. A.

Dr. Donald B. Coohon from the Several women were hosts in Michigan Department of Health

gave an interesting talk on tuberculosis in animals and how it

had luncheon ready at the Harris state to make films to be sent to the London office of the Associat-After much picture taking ed Country Women of the World.

and getting acquainted, the nur- They will be shown in foreign

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ven opportunity to study about sickness and curiosity are not the normal development of the necessarily imcompatible personality and what the child from his nurse's lap, he plunges needs at different ages and with unerring aim, his fingers under different circumstances into the red ink!

even as she studies what food he In pediatric nursing as in any needs in order to be satisfied, and to grow healthily and sturdily.

The baby's body and his per- and will return to them. The sonality develop together. The nurse who cares for children has nurse who can take good care of the opportunity to be continouschildren recognizes what the ly aware of this in her recurring ses attending Wayne University, affects humans. He said funds tiny infant needs most to comshould be provided to test cattle fort him; how to help the lone- has much to give if she is a good some two-year-old; just about

is hurt.

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November 1, 1955 MICHIGAN FARM NEWS More Plants & Fertilizer Make Corn Profits

DeWeerd Plots **Give Information**

Best of Nine Plots Showed Yield of 78 Bu. Per Acre at Cost of \$22.12 for **High Analysis Fertilizer**

Proper fertilizer applications, together with increased plant population, are key factors to profits in the raising of corn, according to the results observed at a Fertilizer Test Plot Field Day held on the Peter H. DeWeerd farm near Hudsonville last month.

The "Corn Day" was sponsored by the Farmers Cooperative Elevator at Hudsonville in conjunction with Farm Bureau Services, Inc., of Lansing and Northrup, King & Company seed company.

The tests were run by Mr. DeWeerd and his son, Henry, with the co-operation of Dick Machiele, the Ottawa county agr'l agent; James Heuvelhorst, manager of the elevator at Hudsonville; and Don Fields, commodity field representative for Farm Bureau Services, Inc.

The test plot was four acres on the DeWeerd farm tion rates on hybrid corn. They located two miles south of Hudsonville, which were divided into nine equal parts.

The seed used was Kingscrost K-5, a 102-day maturity variety, planted at the rate of 16,000 kernels per acre over the entire four-acre test area. Each of the nine plots was subjected to different methods and amounts of fertilization.

Some 75 farmers and FFA members attending the "Corn Day," heard the results explained by County ing the results on one of the eight Agricultural Agent Richard Machiele. He pointed out that the severe dry spell of the late summer in that area Women of had a marked effect on the yield which fell off as the Farm Bureau season progressed without rain, but that the test nevertheless proved the importance of plant population and fertilization in the profit picture for the farmer.

The test area provided by Mr. (ran as follows: DeWeerd was a former clover planted with eight rows forty granulated 5-20-20 fertilizer at inches apart and 37.34 rods long, planting time. Fertilizer cost was or the equivalent of four-tenths \$7.15. of an acre. The results of these

various fertilizer applications were yields varying from a low rate of 66 bushels to the acre to the high of 84 bushels per acre.

The plot that had the heaviest fertilizer application, which was a side dressing. This plot producat the rate of 1500 pounds per acre, did not give the best production. This yield was 81 bushels per acre at a cost of \$52.

The most economical plot was

KEY TO CORN PROFITS-This is part of some seventy-five farmers and FFA chapter members who attended an Ottawa County field day to see the re-

more plants are the key to corn profits

While the lengthy dry spell during the growing season seriously hampered the effectiveness of the tests, they did prove that added fertilizer can up corn yields and cut work loads. Here we see Don-

(left), with Richard Machiele, Ot-

Our spring district meeting will be held in Newaygo county the first Wednesday in April.

Test Plot No. 1-produced 66 in this edition on the past year's field with a Napanee clay loam bushels of corn after being fed activities of the Women's com-

Test Plot No. 2-was given 200 stitute. The Women helped with meeting last June. the Dairy Festival. town women.

Test Plot No. 3-produced 76 bushel of corn at a cost of \$29.41 pounds of 0-20-0 and 300 pounds showed pictures of her European received 200 \$22.12. This was achieved with of 0-20-20 at plowdown time. 200 trip. Civic Clubs were invited to this meeting. The work of the Associated Country Women of the planting time followed by 280 World was explained to the pounds per acre of nitrogen addladies. ed as a side-dressing.



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Mrs. Bill Johnson, vice-presi-

sults of various fertilizer applicaobserved that more fertilizer and

ald Fields, Farm Bureau Services' fertilizer field representative

tawa county agr'l agent, explaintest plots.

over the results of the test plots at the "corn day" held on the farm of Peter H. DeWeerd and Sons, located two miles south of Hudsonville. Looking over some ears of corn from the man of Osceola county, reports 81-bushel plot that had received the heaviest application of fertilizer but did not produce the best crop, the others in the picture are, left to right: James Heuvelhorst, manager of the Hudsonville Farmers Elevator; Peter H. DeWeerd, a director of the Michigan Farm Bureau; and his

Osceola Women's Committee

A delegate was sent to the dent of Manistee County Polio Rural Health Council and gave Chapter, gave an excellent talk her report to us. Mrs. Charles on that subject. Brooks, state public speaking

plans its meetings by following tion. He gave them information Mrs. Charles Brown of with the other counties in Disthe suggestions given at the In- on the treatment of polio at a Onekema gave a report on United trict 9 in projects of nurse recruitment, Pennies for Friend-

took on a recent trip there. In September the guest speaker was Mrs. Ruth Hunsberger, marketing and consumer information School problems have been agent for the Grand Traverse winner, spoke at one of our meet- discussed with the assistance of area. She spoke about the proings to which we had invited Mr. Harold Snyder of Bear Lake, gram and what it has accomchairman of the Area Study plished. Social meetings included Five women from our county Group, with special reference to an annual picnic and a Christattended District Camp at Hess schoolroom conditions, curricula, mas party with their husbands

women were hosts to the district meeting which was held at Farr Center, Onekema, One hundred and five women were present. Guests for the day included Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Ball of Albion. Mrs. Ball, state chairman of Farm Bureau Women, showed the pictures which have been

England for use in Women's slides. She was entertained while Groups. in Charlevoix county at the homes of Mrs. Arlo Wickersham

and Mrs. John Brock.

What is

uous hold on life.

families.

The fall district meeting will

Emmet County Women's Com-

mittee were host to Tsuru in

her honor. She visited the county

Pediatric Nursing?

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private duty work. Many of

them know well how often

recovery of a little baby and a

quiet slipping away of that ten-

Often pediatric nurses who

the mothers and the children as

Summer camps and schools are

always happy to employ

ren, there can be no happier

summer than one spent in a

illness may be seen or desired,

but where much goodwill and

success in swiming or tennis

be held in Charlevoix county.

District 10-W Mrs. Hiram Brock, Chairman

East Jordan, R-2

After a very hot, dry summer fall is very welcome with cool nights and beautiful bright days. August. A luncheon was held in Here in our northern counties the colors of the trees combine fair while there. with the blue of many lakes to make this a beauty spot in the

state. Some women's committees of our district meet every month of the year and others hold no meetings during the busy summer devote themselves entirely to months.

Cheboygan Women's Commit- their continuous care has made tee has been having outstanding the difference between life and programs right in line with the times. In September their program was on polio, one of the most dreaded diseases. A speaker from the Sister Kenny Foundation gave a resume of the dis- are married and cannot work full

covery and progress of the Sis- time spend afternoon hours in a ter Kenny method of treating pediatrician's office. "They teach polio. A film, "Because She Lived," well as help the doctor directly

gave a vivid picture of the re- in his work. At home, they are sults of Sister Kenny's life work very good mothers in their own in the marvelous recoveries from the crippling effects of polio through the Kenny treatment.

In October the meeting topic pediatric nurses. For nurses who was cancer. The county nurse are at ease and happy with childgave a demonstration of making cancer pads. She explained the work the cancer society is doing good camp where no desperate within the county.

Otsego County Women's Com- friendliness may be experienced, mittee have been active through- and satisfying confidences about out the summer. They had a successful refreshment booth at enjoyed and exchanged as the the Otsego county fair. They nurse removes gravel from were host to the District County | thoroughly skinned knees. meeting in September.

Antrim County Women's Committee had a Sister Kenny Foun- tinue in essentially the same dation representative at their meeting in September. Two films skills as in other branches of were shown. One, titled "The nursing. Although the emphasis Value of a Life," showed scenes or importance may seem a little from the Sister Kenny polio different sometimes, there is no Center in Minneapolis and the progress in the recovery of the patients.

A Rural Urban meeting has been planned for late October.

Charlevoix County had open Natkatani in Aug. Twenty-seven ladies spent a very enjoyable afternoon as Tsuru told about her homeland and showed colored

Success and satisfaction in pediatric nursing begin and conqualities, understandings, and substitute for sense or sensibility in any nursing. A body of special knowledge and skills about children, however valuable, will replace good sense and a delicate sensitivity to human needs and distress perhaps as soon, but no

sooner, than the Encyclopedia Britannica replaces Jane Austin. Buy Farm Bureau Seeds.



soil type. Each of the plots was 200 pounds of Farm Bureau's mittee in her county;

pounds of 0-20-0 and 500 pounds of 12-12-12 at plowdown time with 200 pounds of 6-24-12 used at planting time. 100 pounds of ammonium nitrate was added as ed 84 bushels of corn at a fertilizer cost of \$31.42 per acre.

son Henry, one of five boys who are operating the large farm on a partnership basis.

Nations with pictures which she ship, foreign student fund. In October, Manistee county

THEY FOUND THE ANSWERS-County Agricultural Agent Richard Machiele, left, goes

Manistee county cooperates taken in Michigan to be sent to

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Mrs. Stuart Oehrli, vice-chair-



one which gave a yield of 78 per acre. an application of 400 pounds of pounds of 6-24-12 was used at Farm Bureau 12-12-12 fertilizer per acre plowed down and then an application of Farm Bureau's 5-20-20 fertilizer at the rate of 200 pounds per acre at planting tilizer cost of \$32.59 per acre protime.

the Farmers Co-operative Ele- pounds of 10-10-10 at plowdown treated us royally, vator at Hudsonville pointed out that the average corn yield in that area is about 50 bushels per acre. He said the farmer could achieve a considerably higher yield, as proven by these tests, by getting the proper plant population for his soil and then applying the right amount of plant food.

Where popular belief holds that 8,000 corn plants per acre is good, the DeWeerd tests showed that 14,500 to 16,000 plants could profitably be planted on one acre that was properly fertilized. resulting in 69 bushels of corn

The 8,000 plants per acre is at a cost of \$20.12 for fertilizer. about right for the poorest land and could be stepped up to twice that amount on land that is adequately fertilized.

The reason for the fertilizerplant population relationship is that yields are influenced by the number of plants per acre and top yields are only possible when the fertility factor and plant populations are at high level.

County Agent Machiele point- used: 200 pounds of 0-20-0 broaded out that the same conclusions cast and 900 pounds of 12-12-12 had been proved in a recent used at plowdown followed by Western Michigan "corn day" 200 pounds of 6-24-12 applied at held on the farm of Henry Ver- planting time and 200 pounds of Meer in Jamestown township of nitrogen added as a sidedressing. Ottawa county. Under optimum conditions, \$1 invested in corn fertilizer will return from \$2 to

In addition, any residual fertility is available to the following crop in the rotation. The conclusion is that heavier fertilization of corn can be a good "gamble."

The practice of plowing down a first application of fertilizer Machiele said that the crop rowas strongly recommended as tation calls for a planting of oats the result of the test. County on the plot next year, and that Agent Machiele said that because his office would maintain a close of the dry season, the moisture observation of the plot to dehad not put the full application termine the amount of benefit below the soil to work. The re- from the carry-over of plant food. sult is that some of the plant food will hold over until next growing season.

The results of the experiment of the test plots.

A tour of Gerber Products Test Plot No. 4-with a fer- Company, baby food canners at Fremont, followed a picnic dinduced 68 bushels after being fed ner. A lesson in public relations Manager Jim Heuvelhorst of 200 pounds of 0-20-0 and 600 can be learned from Gerber's who

> with 200 pounds of 6-24-12 at A representative from the Sisplanting time and 100 pounds of ter Kenny Foundation spoke to nitrogen added as side-dressing. us of their work.

> Test Plot No. 5-was given 416 We plan to participate in the CARE program at Christmas. pounds of 12-12-12 at plowdown Osceola county sent two delegates and 200 pounds of 5-20-20 used at to the Jr. Farm Bureau camp. planting time. It produced 78 One of them, JoAnn Arnt from bushels at a fertilizer cost of Evart and the District 7 chair-22.12 per acre. man, Mrs. Dale Root from Barry-

> Test Plot No. 6-250 pounds of ton, gave us a detailed report. We hope that we can be of service to 0-20-20 were plowed down with 200 pounds of 5-20-20 used at our young people so that they can become active in Farm Burplanting time and 150 pounds of eau. - Mrs. Stuart Oehrli. nitrogen added as a side-dressing

> > **District 9**

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

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Test Plot No. 7-had 500 pounds of 10-10-10 at plowdown Manistee County Farm Bureau time with 200 pounds of 5-20-20 Women have enjoyed a successused at planting time to produce ful and interesting year. Mrs. a crop of 73 bushels per acre at John Milarch of Arcadia assisted a cost of \$22.47. by Mrs. Edward Lingg of Bear

Lake and Mrs. Edwin Evens have Test Plot No. 8-was the one served as officers of the Committhat produced 81 bushels at a fertilizer cost of \$52.00 per acre.

Their program was varied and The following applications were informative. Guest speakers included Mr. Earl Tinsman, a director of Sister Kenny Founda-

M. J. Buschlen, manager of

Farm Bureau Services' fertilizer department, said that a point of diminishing returns can be reached beyond which the use of

fertilizer becomes prohibitive because of excessive cost over the crop return. Test Plot No. 8 was given as an example.

County Agr'l Agent Dick

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Teamwork the Key to Farm Bureau Benefits

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Community Farm Bureau Discussion Topic for November

Background Material for Program in November by our 1475 Community Farm Bureau Discussion groups DONALD D. KINSEY

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"What has Farm Bureau done to benefit the average farmer?" This question is asked often. It sounds like a natural question,-but it really has a "back-spin" on it. And it reveals an idea about Farm Bureau that twists the picture.

For-you see, Farm Bureau is an organization of farm people. It was organized by farm people. And since its beginning in 1919 its policies and programs have been guided by the needs and wishes of farm people.

Within every accomplishment and success that Farm Bureau has had lies a central source of power without which nothing would have been done effectively. The source of this power has been in member TEAMWORK.

We should never forget this fact. Farm people struggled many years to learn the secret of unified action. Farm organizations rose and fell because they missed this secret of teamwork. Farm Bureau has grown today because farm people have put the secret to work.

What does it mean? A number of things are included. It is both a spirit of cooperation and a willingness to take part in the program. It involves a feeling that the organization is ours. It means serious work and thought together to work out sound policies and programs.

It means giving cooperative support to policies when they have been established by a majority. The lesson must be learned that a person may be on a minority side on one matter, but gains the support of the group on other matters. It means giving our time and talents to the building of the organization so that it may do an effective job for farmers in a modern urban-minded society.

Farm Bureau members have state gasoline tax. Under the gas tax the roads are paid for by the done these things. They have played on the Farm Bureau team. And because they have played well, there have been benefits and only scratched the surface. The quirement to pay the gasoline programs. future benefits of Farm Bureau depend directly upon the kind and degree of teamwork that is given by the members. The secret in the '30s, to remove the pay-

ment of the 3% sales tax on of success has not changed. Certainly there have been farm machinery, equipment and benefits to farmers in the past supplies used in the production of farm products. This saves precoming from this program-so many of them, in fact, that only sent day farmers many dollars. a review of some major high-

Here I would quote Stanley lights can be given here. Many of Powell. He says, "Scarcely a these benefits still favor the session of the state Legislatur farmers of today. But some may goes by without same effort to research done, Farm Bureau be- 5. And if you were around readily be lost if we fail to con- change or remove some of these gan the first guaranteed clover when the Farm Bureau Mutual farmer-protecting laws." So the and alfalfa seed program in Insurance Company started, you need for teamwork is as great as history. Our seed department may remember that other insurever if the benefits are to be was established in 1920. Farm ance companies lowered their preserved.

people as they use them.

of agricultural production.

3. Farm Bureau fought, too,

Discussion Topics

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

- Nov. How Farm Bureau Benefits the Average Farmer.
- Dec. Should Michigan Have a Highway Speed Control Program?
- 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.

This would have given overhead, as well as freight rates. pasis. control of both houses to four The delegates urged a policy of production that would bring counties in the metropolitan fertilizers high in plant food conarea of Detroit. tent-so as to do away with mere Such an apportionment of the filler (sand, etc.). Why pay those legislative seats would have decosts for filler?

Suppose that all the tonnage

had been produced at the Farm

Farm Bureau actually shipped

57,562 tons that year. If this had been as low in analysis as the state average it would have cost

COMMODITY MARKETING

BENEFITS

amounted to \$719,196!

stroyed the American principle Things changed only when of "area representation." Any Farm Bureau built its fertilizer "epresentation from "out-state" factory in 1947. Let's review some Michigan in either house would have been fatally weakened. A facts. They are interesting. In 1947 the average of plant political tyranny by four counties food per ton was only 25% for all was possible.

Farm Bureau people fought manufacturers. By 1953-54 Farm Bureau competition had raised through petitions for a counterthis state average to 29.5% for proposal to keep a balanced legislature. Later they drummed up a all makers. Farm Bureau's own "get-out-the-vote" cam- percentage of plant food for that great paign. These efforts preserved a year reached 35.7%. Here is what it means-Let's fair representation for the rural areas and out-state Michigan. take 1952-53, for example. The Should farm people now rest overall state average for that assured? It would be a fatal act! year was 29.5% of plant food per

We are now on the verge of a ton. The Farm Bureau average second and more powerful cam- was 34.6%. There were 630,000 paign to reapportion the legis- tons produced in the state. lature on a strict population

basis. There will be rumblings of it soon. Farm Bureau people Bureau average. If so, the savings must be ready-with a top team to farmers in bagging, handling performance. Failure could be and shipping costs would have 2. Then, through Farm Bureau efforts-and it took effortcostly-in taxes, and in the effect farmers were freed of the reon school, highway, and other

ECONOMIC BENEFITS

1. In the early days of Farm the farmer-patrons \$76,000 more Bureau farmers were having for freight, bags and handling. Yes, Farm Bureau is working for clover and alfalfa seed troubles. Seed was being imported from the farmers of Michigan. 4. Let's not overlook the fact many foreign countries of comparatively mild climate. The im- that up to the year of 1954 the ported seed would germinate all- Farmers Petroleum Cooperative, right, but much of it would not Inc., a subsidiiary of our member survive our Michigan winters. | organization, has paid its farmer Michigan State College tested \$663,648 in cash. It will pay them all the varieties. As a result of the anohter \$150,000 in 1955

share of area captains and workers for the roll call drive? invitation to join?

is over

Call a success.

Aided Farm-City Week Oct. 23-29

he may play in bringing about the success and the benefits that

farmers want from their organiz-

ation. With a good team we may look toward "horizons unlimit-

A good, strong team is needed.

Members do count in this game.

We are on the threshold of our

annual membership campaign.

The goal is 70,000 farm families

Groups can help. Sending in

membership dues early by mail

helps. The County Farm Bureau

looks to its Community groups

for its area captains and roll call

workers. Talking to non-member

neighbors about joining, and sell-

them Farm Bureau is a top form

of team action. The goal can be

made. All it needs is a well-

executed form of team play. Let's

Questions

gan Christian Rural Overseas (Continued from Page 1) Program shipment of commodi-Other Farm-City Week activiies in Michigan included fifteen rural-urban conferences, arranged by County Farm Bureau Women's Committees. At these rural periences on life on the farm and and a car of beans to Greece durown and city. Kiwanis Clubs ing the next few weeks. throughout the state arranged "Farmers Nights," with speakers

of interest to both rural and urban people. It is expected that Farm-City

neighbors.

1. Will your group be one of the 100% groups that has its dues in before Roll Call Week 2. Will your group furnish its **CROP** Begins effort to see that all the farmers in the neighborhood receive an invitation to join? Sending Food



FLOUR TO GREECE. This shipment from Ionia of a carload of flour for the mountain villages of northern Greece was made possible by contributions to Christian Rural Overseas Program by You can make the 1956 Roll the people of Michigan. Ionia county ministers at the dedication service, left to right, are: The Rev. Heath Goodwin, Park H. Newcombe, Court O. Adams; Sr., A. J. Pitman, W. D. Hayes, Mrs. Charles Laing, CROP office sec'y at Lansing; Rev. Paul Robinson, Ionia county CROP chairman.

> Service, parent agency of CROP, for overseas feeding programs. In 1954 practically all CROP contributions from Michigan, as from many other states, were used for distributing Government surplus food overseas. However, wheat, a very important food in most countries, was not made available to voluntary October 20 the first 1955 Michiagencies as had been expected.

Mr. Hartzler stopped in Greece ties left Ionia. It consisted of 30 this past summer for several days tons of flour destined for Greece. and traveled by jeep from This will be followed by a car Athens, in the south, to Ioannina, of wheat to Arab refugees in in the north. At that time Mrs. and urban women exchanged ex- Jordan, a car of beans to India, Kruger, a Pennsylvania farm wife who is in charge of distribution of CROP food in Greece, made the request for a carload of

These shipments were made flour as soon as possible. This possible by early contributions of request was approved and allo-Michigan people to CROP. Acording to Russell Hartzler, state cated to Michigan.

CROP director, this is the first About half of the 1955 contri-Week will become an annual op- year that such large amounts of butions will be used for distribu- MAIL DUES to your County portunity for these two great food could be shipped before the tion of Government surplus foods Farm Bureau Secretary. See page economic groups to learn more of organized fall campaign got un- on a basis of at least \$20 worth of 2 for the address. It is given in the problems faced by their der way. These foods are urgent- food being distributed for each article headed County Farm ly requested by Church World \$1.00 so used.

Board of Trade Offers Film

"The Board of Trade offers a chance for farmers to share the gamble on the price at harvest time," say agricultural economists. Farm people have sometimes criticized the grain pits as being an unnecessary middleman in the marketing operation.

A film is now available without charge, which tells the story of the Board of Trade, whose building dominates LaSalle Street in Chicago

If your Group would like to study this institution, make arrangements for the use of the 27 minute, 16 m.m. film, by writing

Public Relations Department Board of Trade 141 W. Jackson Blvd. Chicago 4, Illinois



Bureau Secretaries.



3. Will all members make every effort to see that all the farmers **Overseas**

tinue the aggressive teamwork that first won them.

LEGISLATIVE BENEFITS

1. The fearfully burdensome 4. One of the greatest accomplishments of Farm Bureau memproperty taxes for the construction and maintenance of roads ber teamwork was in the 1952 (under the old Covert Road Act) campaign for the reapportionwere removed by early Farm ment of the state Legislature. Bureau efforts. From 1923 to Certain groups sought to place 1925 Farm Bureau fought to the seats in both the House and have these taxes replaced by a Senate on a strict population

FARM BUREAU INSURANCE **Sales** Opportunities

> Due to an expanding program, Farm Bureau Insurance Companies now have sales opportunities available in several Michigan counties. As a Farm Bureau Agent you will enjoy a rewarding and interesting career working with a fast-growing organization. Here are some of the advantages of a career in Farm Bureau Insurance.

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Bureau guaranteed its clover and auto rates to farmers in Michalfalfa seeds to be of known igan. In fact, one company lownorthern origin and therefore ered its rates to farmers four adapted to Michigan. Farm Bur- times within the first year. That eau guaranteed the origin, purity, was in 1949-50. germination and other desthe analysis tag.

riculture.

criptions the seed as stated on

Farm Bureau has worked Under such a program farmers closely over the years with comwere able to gain in returns on modity organizations to establish their legume crops. Farm Bureau better markets for farm products. fought to get the Seed Staining Work has been done on fruit and Act through Congress. This re- potato marketing programs in quired that 10% of foreignpast years. Farm Bureau aided grown clover and alfalfa seeds actively in promotion and financmust be stained red if not adapt- ing activities to establish liveed to the U.S., and green if of stock auction yards at Battle, doubtful value, in the judgment Creek and St. Louis. Work is of the U.S. Department of Agbeing done at present to expand the livestock marketing programs

Canadian seed worked allin the areas of Grand Traverse right in Michigan, of course. So and the Thumb.

it was stained purple to identify Farm Bureau has helped to it for farmers. promote and finance the new The Farm Bureau's guaranteed poultry processing and marketing seed program set the pace for the operation at Hemlock, Michigan. seed business and saved Mich- The Commodity Department is against crop failures due to poor ever active.

seed. EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS 2. In the early days thousands of tons of feed were sold to farm-Michigan began its Community ers simply as Dairy Feed, Hog Farm Bureau program in 1936. Feed, or Poultry Mash. Feed Today this program is regarded formulas were secret, stating as one of the best programs of only the percent of protein, etc. adult education in the country. What made up the feed was Other organizations throughout something else. the country are following its The Michigan Farm Bureau pattern.

pioneered in placing complete | Tied in with our Community formula information on the tag Farm Bureaus are our Women's of a feed bag. Farm Bureau program and our legislative intold how many pounds of each formation and action programs. ingredient were in the bag. Full- Through this channel Farm Burest nutritional value for the feed eau people have the opportunity dollar was the aim. This explains to know what is going on. They why Farm Bureau rapidly devel- can take a part in the developoped one of the largest feed ments that affect agriculture and businesses in Michigan. farm living.

With the coming of the new Our Community Farm Bureaus discoveries in vitamins, trace and County Farm Bureaus have minerals and antibiotics Farm been the source from which many Bureau feeds have maintained rural leaders have developed the pace. The purposes still is to through the years. Farm Bureau give highest value for the feed has taken a prominent place in dollar. The quality of feeds in the civic life of our land as a rethe entire industry has been sult of this leadership. raised because of the high Farm

THE FORWARD LOOK

Bureau standards. It would be well for us to 3. Farm Bureau delegates in 1947 pointed out that fertilizer think of the benefits of Farm mixes were low in analysis. Re- Bureau in terms of opportunity gardless of the analysis of the rather than of the past. Member food content nearly 25% of the cooperation holds great promise, cost of a ton of fertilizer comes and good teamwork brings sucfrom the operations of bagging, cess. handling, mixing, and plant Every member has a part that

"Our Investment Must Be Protected"

A farming operation involving more than 400 acres is certainly an investment that requires close supervision, a lot of hard work, and much careful planning.

And that's exactly the way Clinton H. Robinson and his son, Hobart, handle their two farms near Albion.

The two farms, located about a mile apart, represent a large investment and years of hard work to Mr. Robinson who now devotes most of his time to planning and general supervision. His son operates both places.

An important part of the over-all planning is making sure that they have adequate insurance to cover all farm hazards.

"Farming is our living," says Mr. Robinson, "and it's important to us that our investment be fully protected at all times.

"We have taken care of this," he continued, "by purchasing farm liability insurance and fire and wind coverage through our Farm Bureau Insurance Companies."

In addition, Mr. Robinson has had his automobile insured with Farm Bureau Mutual and his



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son, Hobart, just recently bought a F.I.P. savings plan with Farm Bureau Life.

"Farm Bureau does an outstanding job of helping farmers do as a group things they could not do as individuals," said Mr. Robinson, "and we feel an obligation to support this organization and make use of its services."



Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Robinson live on one of their farms while their son Hobart, his wife, Elfreda, and their two children, Linda 6 and Dean, 31/2, live on the other. Both farms are attractive and show the results of sound conscientious management.

> "There's a Farm Bureau insurance representative nearby to serve you. Ask any Farm Bureau office how to reach him for information about life, auto, fire and farm liability protection, or about the FIP Protected Savings Plan.