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# Legislature's No. 1 Problem is Rising Costs

## FEB EDITORIAL

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## A Better Opportunity for You CLARK L. BRODY

Counsel for Public Affairs for Michigan Farm Bureau

"Building a Better America with Opportunities for All" expressed the great objective for which over 6,000 Farm Bureau members met at Miami, Florida, December 9, 1956.

As these farm men and women from 48 states and Puerto Rico gathered in the municipal auditorium at Miami Beach, they were greeted by this high ideal displayed on a large, attractive banner over the stage.

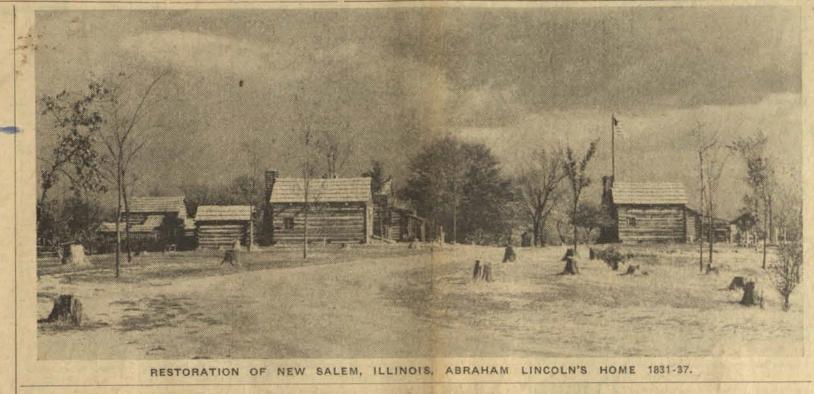
Arched just beneath it, were the flags of the United Nations with Old Glory at the top. These and a profusion of flowers constituted an appropriate background for the proceedings of the convention.

As President Charles Shuman called the 38th annual meeting of the American Farm Bureau Federation to order, with the officers and directors seated on the stage in this impressive environment, I felt we were witnessing a demonstration of the most powerful farm influence ever assembled.

This notable occasion, sustained by a broad program reaching into the farm communities of the entire nation and inspired by the high ideals, evidenced in the setting, was likewise a manifestation of one of our greatest national assets.

The American Farm Bureau Federation has become one of the strongest and most effective powers in sustaining a philosophy of government that enables free America to live and grow.

Into this phrase, "Building a Better America with Opportunities For All," is condensed the basic philosophy that characterizes the policies of the American Farm Bureau Federation. It points the way that we must go if we are to protect and perpetuate the America that has brought us the greatest blessings and advancement ever enjoyed by the people of any land.



## KALAMAZOO CITY FARMERS CLUB INVITES YOU TO ATTEND Forum at Kalamazoo Feb. 20 on Farm Marketing Problems

**Membership** is Well on Way to 70,242

Membership in the Michlgan Farm Bureau for 1957 was 65,-191 families on January 30.

This is 93% of the state goal of 70.242 family memberships for this year.

ahead of where we were last year at this time,

Every County Farm Bureau

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"The purpose of this Associa-

tion shall be the advancement of

our members' interests education-

This sentence is taken from the

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Farmers are invited to attend the 2nd Annual Farm **Co.** Legislative Forum of the Kalamazoo City Farmers Club February 20. They will hear well-known speakers on the market-**Groups** at ing problems confronting agriculture.

The program will be held at the County Center Lansing Soon Building, Recreation Park, in Kalamazoo, starting at 10:15 a.m., Wednesday, Feb. 20. Lunch will be available in the building at noon.

Last year 800 came to the 1st Forum to hear a dis- be visiting their legislators' in cussion of our national farm policy.

The biggest problem facing the farmer is to find 61,109 renewals and 4,802 new greater markets to absorb the nation's expanding agri-members. We are 1,663 members cultural productor. This problem will be several viewpoints.

Four marketing specialists will tell producers what is being done and what they can do to help solve the has a goal and hopes to exceed County Farm Bureau memberships January 30 and their problem.

Battle Coming on **Aid for Schools** 

Growing Population, Expanding Services of Government, and Higher Costs **Produce Largest Budget** STANLEY M. POWELL Legislative Counsel for Michigan Farm Bureau

The Michigan Legislature has gone into the second month of what looks like a long, eventful and hectic session. The legislators convened January 9 but got off to a rather slow start during the first two or three weeks.

This is the first year of the biennial term of the legislators, so they had to organize, adopt rules of procedure, select officers and staff, and get the many standing committees designated and set up for work.

It was 20 days after they had convened before Governor Williams sent them his budget recommendations. There had been many rumors that this would represent an all-time high and would confront the lawmakers with the problem of paring it very substantially, or providing new state revenue to take care of the proposed increases.

The Governor has been advocating a corporate profits tax for the past eight years. It is possible that this year the Legislature may give in and decide to accept that means of balancing the budget.

Not many weeks ago the Auditor General issued the state's financial report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956. It showed that at that time the state's general fund had a healthy balance of \$25,566,271. However, since then things haven't been going so well, financially, for the state. General fund appropriations for the current fiscal year were about \$15 million above current revenue estimates.

This would wipe out more than half of the balance with which the year started. Also, it is probable that this Legislature will find it necessary to pass a number of deficiency appropriations for the current year, which will further eat into the state's surplus.

The Civil Service Commission has approved a wage boost for Williams on every item in his very ambitious program. state employees which will raise To balance the budget Gover

Two major principles are implied in the precept:

1-It is our aim to strengthen and improve the America we have in order to insure its future.

2-Paired with this ideal is the great responsibility of preserving and encouraging the freedom of initiative and opportunity for every citizen to achieve his maximum possibilities.

It has been the sum total of the creative thinking and action of our people under a free government that has created the environment under which we have been privileged to live.

The American Farm Bureau convention reaffirmed these principles when it said:

Our unparalleled progress is founded on freedom, initiative, and individual opportunity. These concepts have allowed the development of an economic system which has provided unprecedented goods and services and supported widespread educational and religious opportunity. It is our constant challenge to work vigorously to maintain them and to build a better America on this firm foundation. \* \* \*

WE BELIEVE in the American competitive system, inwhich property is privately owned, privately managed, and operated for profit, and in which supply and demand are the primary determinants of market price.

The further centralization of power and authority in the federal government and the apathy of the American people to this trend are among the greatest dangers threatening our Republic and the American way of life.

The trend toward increased centralization of power in the federal government, if left unchecked, will lead to socialism and thus to communism.

\* \* \* Farm people have the right and the responsibility to speak for themselves through organizations of their choice without government coercion or intervention.

In the light of such impressive events in American and State Farm Bureaus, it is well to remember that they but reflect the voluntary loyalty and activities of farm people in the home communities of members over the nation.

The magnitude and power of the larger units of the Farm Bureau are generated in the farm communities and counties, not in Lansing, Chicago, Washington, or Miami.

This is being demonstrated in a large way in Michigan in a state-wide membership roll-call that started January 3. Nearly 42,000 Michigan Farm Bureau members reasserted their loyalty before January 3 by mailing their dues to the county offices. In addition to this, about 5,000 served on (Continued on Page 2)

standings with respect to their 10:15 a.m. Jack Bittner, Southwestern Michigan eau legislative committees have goals are shown in the column Four counties are over district marketing agent, will discuss quality and packgoal. Forty counties from 90 to ing programs that will help state fruit and vegetable 99% of goal. Thirteen counties from 85 to over 88% of goal. growers move more of their production into the markets. 

10:45 a.m. Ralph Eastwood, of the National Dairy Council at Chicago, will describe what one farmers' organization is doing through research and promotion to legislative issues, the committee boost the consumption of milk.

11:20 a.m. Gwynn Garnet, administrator of the lunch. They will then visit the U. S. Dep't of Agriculture's Foreign Agr'l Service, will tell what his agency is doing to sell more American products overseas. He will describe the situations that block farm exports, and give the outlook for future development of foreign markets.

1:00 p.m. Seth Shaw, meat and livestock marketing specialist for the Safeway Stores at Washington, D. C., will tell "How the Meat Producer Can Make it Easier for the Grocer to Sell More Beef, Pork and Lamb."

1:40 p.m. "Research on Parade" will be presented by Frank Teuton, information officer of the Agricultural Research Service of the U. S. Dep't of Agriculture.

Mr. Teuton will display over 100 new products that research has developed from farm crops. Pretty girls will model clothing made from farm crops. Mr. Teuton will show varnish made from potatoes, raincoats from lard, orange juice from powder, etc.

The Farm Forum was created to provide farm people with information on an agricultural issue each year. It is open to all interested persons.

Soil Cement Paving and compacting native soil, water, ble base normally covered with **Gains in Michigan** thin asphaltic wearing surface. Soil-cement base paving in-Soil-cement base increases in

creased sharply in Michigan durstrength with age and is ideal for ounty road improvement. ing 1956, attesting to growing popularity of this low-cost con-Costs of completed soil-cement

struction method for light-traffic base roads, including wearing roads and streets. ourse, ranged from \$11,500 to Portland Cement Association \$14,000 per mile.

statistics show 611,664 square **Berlin Center Group** yards, equivalent to more than 52 miles of 20-foot roadway, were

built in Michigan in 1956. An additional 70,000 square yards of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Signs, Jan- able from this high honor." runways also were constructed at uary 9. Ten families were guests, Pontiac Municipal airport. discussed the need for agr'l re-

As its name implies, soil-ce- search and enjoyed a social evement base is produced by mixing ' ning.

Thumb, Feb. 28. Central, March 12.

West Central, Feb. 13.

Northeast, Feb. 7. Northwest, Feb. 12.

Southeast, Feb. 27.

Members of County Farm

reau legislative committees

Lansing during the next few

The schedule for the annual

East Central and U.P., Feb. 26.

egislative seminars is as follows:

Southwest Region, Feb. 6.

Chairmen of County Farm Buthe details of arrangements and are planning for transportation and attendance of all Legislative Committee members.

Attending by regions, the meet-ngs will start at 10 a.m. at the Famous Grill at Larch street and Michigan avenue, Lansing. After discussion of state and national members will entertain their Senators and Representatives at Capitol and attend sessions of the Senate and House.

### Hodge Asks Study of Milk Market Bill

"I hope Farm Bureau families will study the state milk marketing control proposal which will be considered by the Legislature this year.

"Read the article on the last page of this paper. Then attend your February Community Group meeting for the discussion of the issue. The Board of Directors would like your help in deciding what position Farm Bureau should take."

### Wightman Expresses **Thanks for Letters**

to many friends and co-workers who have written to congratulate ne upon being elected a director of the American Farm Bureau Federation at Miami.

I know that it was the Michigan Farm Bureau that was elected and not particularly the indi-vidual. The Midwestern Farm Bureau states have recognized that Michigan has one of the most outstanding programs in the American Farm Bureau Federa-

For that reason they were quite willing that Michigan should be epresented on the AFBF board of directors, and felt that we should be. So let's keep the good work going.

For my part, I am reminded of Abraham Lincoln's statement when he received the nomination for President of the United States. He said, "I am deeply and Berlin Center Community Farm painfully sensitive to the great Bureau of Ionia county met with responsibility which is insepar-

> Thank you. WALTER W. WIGHTMAN Fennville, Michigan January 23, 1957.

for these workers by nor Williams predicted that new about \$11 million annually above taxes would be required. He present rates, with \$812 million to promised to submit a tax message come out of the General Fund. As the matter now stands, these days. It is taken for granted that increases will go into effect July he will once more advocate a 7, 1957, although the organization corporation profits tax.

to the Legislature within a few

of state employees is making a While, of course, farm folks strong demand that the higher deplore any tremendous increase rate of pay should become ef- in budget totals, they are confective immediately, if not sooner. cerned about a few items which

they hope will not be eliminated School Aid. One item which or neglected in the confusion could do a lot to throw the budget Actually, the appropriations in out of balance, and put the state which farm folks are especially in the red in a hurry, has to do interested constitute a very small with state-aid for schools. It proportion of the total budget. appears that the school funds are

not going to permit paying in full Farm Bureau members are anxious to see that adequate prothe \$190 per pupil gross allowance mentioned in the current vision is made for the Michigan State University, including its

formula School men are clamoring for Experiment Station and Extena general fund appropriation of sion Service. They have request from \$20 million to \$25 million, ed that provision be made for or whatever it would take to per-erection of a new Home Arts mit the full schedule of payments Building at the Michigan State envisioned in the current formula | Fair Grounds.

bill. They talk about a "moral They have also endorsed erection of a Short Course Center on

obligation." However, in re-reading the the MSU campus. They have school-aid act, I find that it is favored some part-time assist made very definite in two dif- ance to soil conservation districts ferent sections that the amount and funds for purchase of land appropriated was to be only what for state parks. This might be came in through the primary fund financed through a small charge and sales tax revenue and that for those using the parks.

the Superintendent of Public In-Farm Bureau delegates also struction was mandated to cut the stressed the importance of suffi-This is a note of appreciation garment to fit the cloth. cient funds to permit the Michi-

gan Department of Agriculture A year ago the Legislature (1) to carry on an adequate promade general fund appropriations gram of bovine brucellosis and totalling about \$330 million. This T.B. eradication; (2) to enforce year the requests by heads of regulations concerning inspection state agencies and institutions of livestock coming into Michitotalled about \$504 million. The gan action of the budget office and

the Governor has resulted in a You may wonder why state budget involving general fund budget totals keep soaring. I don't appropriations totalling \$410,997,-

budget represents a paradox in higher costs for salaries, wages that it is the "highest in the supplies, equipment and new con state's history and possibly the struction, all enter the picture. tightest." He has promised to Every time a new state build stand behind every item in his re- ing is erected, even though commendations without con- might be constructed on a self enting to any slashes by the liquidating basis, there is a sub Legislature.

Of course, both the House and staffing. In addition, there is the Senate, and their appropriating constant expansion in the func committees, are controlled by tions of state government. Republican lawmakers and they might, or might not, be disposed by the state seems ever to be to see eye to eye with Governor dropped or diminished. New and

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This is the number of copies of these activities savor considerably the Michigan Farm News mailed of benevolent socialist to subscribers February 1.

know as there is any one simple and complete answer. General in The Governor has said that this flationary trends which result in

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No program or service started bigger projects and programs are the order of the day, Some o

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**Community Farm** 

**Bureaus** 

CLARE L. McGHAN

Coordinator of Community Farm Bureaus for MFB

I have been reading a most interesting book "How to Work with

This is a book for the leadership of boards, committees, farm

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PURPOSE OF FARM

BUREAU

a very real sense must be learned

of a democracy must act on the

basis of considered judgment and

carefully and thoughtful-

Programs are balanced,

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stick to the agenda and

transact business with dis-

□ The meetings start and

□ The members of the group

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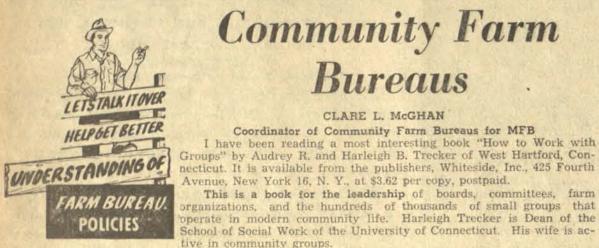
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The book is good and fits the ... needs of our Community Farm "They must participate re-Bureau groups program very sponsibly in the affairs of their well.

group and refrain from the false Audrey R. and Harleigh Treck- luxury of saying or thinking that er say that a good member of a the group belongs to the leaders group is an effective participant and 'anything that they do is all in the activities of the group. An right with us.' effect participant does the fol-lowing: "They must be willing and able to learn because democratic be-

1. Accepts the importance of havior is learned behavior and in esting and worthwhile meetings.

the work of the group. 2, Gets along with and relates by each generation. The citizens to many different individuals. 3. Does his share of the work of the group.

rightful participation in affairs at last year's State 4-H Show. If Agent Bob Earl of Van Buren 4. Is a good interpreter and proud voice for his group. Is a helping person.

It seems to me that this state- group, why not invite them to Adopts a positive attitude ment presents a real challenge to your group meeting. They are all toward the group. each of us. 7. Is willing to change his own

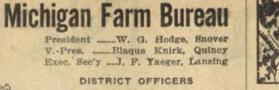
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o. rus a sense of the appro-priate and a keen alertness to cood timing (cood timing) group—6 to 8 checks, Good; 4 to 6 checks, Fair; 0 to 4 checks, good timing. Poor. 9. Behaves responsibly toward the group. The agendas are planned

10. Has a deep and abiding faith in the democratic method.

How do you rate as a member of your Community Farm Bureau group? This is important because of our belief in a democratic organization and its effectiveness.

The Treckers say if we are to be effective in a democracy, we should be aware of the following, which is quoted from their book



-Max K. Hood......Paw Paw, R-1 -Blaque Knirk.....Quincy, R-1 -Allen F. Rush...Lake Orion, R-1 -Allen F. Rush...Lake Orion, R-1 -Elton R. Smith...Caledonia, R-1 -Dale Dunckel...Williamston, R-1 -Ward A. Hodge.....Snover, R-1 -Thomas Hahn.....Rodney, R-1 -Rena Hahn.....Rodney, R-1 -Ren A. DeRufter.....McBain, R-1 -A. A. Brindley...W. Branch, R-3 -Edmund Sager......Stephenson DIRECTORS AT LARGE

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Mr. Arden M. Peterson, Rec-

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Storgeon Valley 4-H Club, Mr.

Fun in the Sun 4-H Club, Eva

GOLD STAR AWARD

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Taylor, Route 2, Edmore.

one of these Clubs is near your County.

good fellowship about the

Gleason E. Halliwill......Gladwin, R-4 Robert E. Smith......Fowlerville, R-2 Walter Wightman......Fennville, R-1

WOMEN OF FARM BUREAU Mrs. Carlton Ball.....Albion, R-1

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The purpose of this Associa-tion shall be the advancement of our members' interests edu-JUNIOR FARM BUREAU legislatively, and 

## HIRAM and R.S.CLARK

## Referendum

From time to time our Government, that bloated nurse-of-all, Without whose tender daily care no tiniest bird must fall; Before whose awful majesty the farmer needs must bow, Hoping his Forms were in on time and all correct somehow,-The Government presents to us on some appointed day A referendum offering choice of Programs "B" or "A".

This puts it clearly up to folks, plain folks like you and me, To judge and settle once for all, if "A" is best,- or "B". Both Programs have appendant strings, not easy to appraise, But deemed essential to the good of farmers nowadays. And so we go and cast our votes, as though we could pronounce By magic dictum, "B" or "A", which way the ball will bounce.

But can the People really speak in this restricted way? Are right and justice truly served by either "B" or "A"? Sometimes I wonder as I think about your land and mine If in this thing called Price Supports we play the Frankenstein. We surely have a monster here, powerful for good or ill, Half guided and half understood, but of our making still.

Sometimes I wish the powers that be would sound the trumpet call And ask a vote on "A" or "B" or "no-Program-at-all." Perhaps a mandate might show up, or some significant trend To point the path of progress out and be the farmer's friend. Perhaps an economic law might somehow be described At any rate, sometimes I think I'd like to see it tried.

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

| sec'y Isabella County, Wise Com- Wayne County, Livonia Community Group, Jean Weihl, munity Group, Edna Smith, sec'y

> cent saleable trees. Pruning should start on the

Christmas tree plantation when the trees are 18-24 inches in early spring or early summer and continue until the trees are ready to harvest. Not all trees will need pruning each year; only those that appear to be growing too

rapidly or are becoming unshapey will need attention. The pruning operation for lumber production is to remove the branches from the lower part of the tree so that the wood added by future growth will be free of

Pruning can double, or even Big Rapids Creamery triple, the value of the trees in Joins Mid-West your stand as far as Christmas

knots.

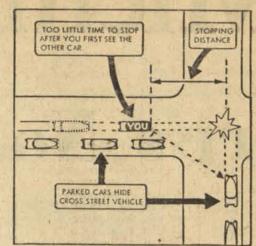
Mid-West Producers' Creamer-In pruning Christmas trees, the ies, Inc. of South Bend, Indiana, terminal shoots are cut to shape a regional dairy marketing associ-Si, Johns Essexville 4-H Club, ducing excessive height growth, the tree to a conical outline, reation with member creameries located in the five states of Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, Illinois and and producing a tree with dense foliage free of noticeable holes. Tennessee, announces that the Farmers Cooperative Creamery Christmas tree plantations with Association of Big Rapids, Michout cultural pruning practices usually will only produce 30-35 igan has been affiliated with their

Dopp 4-H Club, Mrs. Florence percent of merchantable trees, association. whereas trees that are pruned Buy Farm Bureau Insurance. and shaped produced 90-95 per-

### EDITORIAL (Continued from Page 1)

membership teams to invite their neighbors t

## Unwritten Laws of the Road



From Michigan Driver Education Manual, Department of Public Instruction

## **MFB** Leaders **Discuss State**, Nat'l Issues

### DAN E. REED Assoc. Legislative Counsel, MFB

State and national issues are being discussed by members of the Michigan Farm Bureau board of directors at District meetings throughout the state.

'With both Congress and the Michigan Legislature in session, every officer who is asked to take men and Legislative Chairmen of Lapeer county for the 18 regis-

Ward Hodge. Among the subjects to be dis- the County Legislative Commit- phone calls. Leo McClellan, Davicussed at the meetings will be tees.

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drags, tractor plows, mowing ma-chines, corn planters, manure spread-ers and parts for these machines, Also, for Unico water systems, plastic HAVE CUSTOMERS for good, used, modern maple syrup evaporators, Write us complete description of the evaporator you wish to sell. Sugar Bush Supplies Company, P. O. Box 1107, Lansing, Michigan, (12-3t-25b) Sales & Service, and County, Mich. Street, Bellevue, Eaton county, Mich. (2-2t-59p)

FOR SALE; 400 Sap palls and spiles in good condition. Athens Youth Council, Athens, Michigan, G. I. Tomlinson, Sec'y, Phone PArkway 9-2751. (2-2t-195M)

McCORMICK two single unit milk-ing machine. Stainless steel pails. Complete with pipe for fourteen stan-chions. In very good condition. Price \$200. W. H. Probst, Northport, Mich-igan. Telephone 4362. (2-3t-25p)

CLASSIFIED ADS They are members of the Michigan Farm Bureau.

part in these discussions should Farm Bureau Women's Commit- tered Holstein heifers. Had inplan to attend," said President | tees will follow the District meet- | quiries from Ionia, Owosso, Imlay ings. They will be arranged by City, Marlette, Mt. Clemens and son, Mich.

bread is in the home freezer. Bread in its original moisture proof wrapper, will keep its original freshness for several weeks in the ordinary household freezer or freezer compartment of mod-

The best method for storing

**Best in Freezer** 

ern refrigerators. Some folks try so hard to keep ahead of the Joneses' that they forget which way they are headed.

CREEP AND BE SAFE. Slow down at blind

intersections. A blind intersection, unprotected

by stop signs, will often have accidents involving

cars going as slow as 25 miles per hour. When

you approach such an intersection with cars park-

ed on your right-slow down. You can't see

through them and discover if there is a car coming

on the cross street. By the time you reach the

end of the parked cars, you are so close to the

intersection that you have little distance in which

25 miles per hour. At that speed the total stop-

ping distance of 74.4 feet may be more than you

great areas of pavement in an intersection, but

none of them can accomodate more than one

vehicle or pedestrian at the same time on the same

spot. Speeding into an intersection is like get-

ting too close to Niagara Falls in a rowboat.

have to stop before hitting the other car.

Very often you will have to slow down below

Slow down for all intersections. There are

to stop if you find a car coming.

the proposed state milk control | Bread Stores

**Ad Sold Holsteins** "My ad in the Jan. 1 Michigan Farm News found a buyer in

7-February 4, day. 8-February 11, evening. 9-February 8, evening. 10-February 13, day. County meetings for Minute-

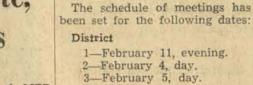
#### 1-February 11, evening. 2-February 4, day. 3-February 5, day. 4-February 4, day. 5-February 7, evening. 6-February 7, evening.

measure, the stepped-up farm

research program, Soil Bank

changes, the need for water use

legislation, and other issues.



'How to Work with Groups";

"The citizens of a democracy must be informed; they must be avid and continuous seekers after the facts. They must express themselves, that is, be willing to make their views known, to speak up when they need to be heard.

patch. riet R. Baker, sec'y. There is a full discussion of vital points of business. The presiding officer keeps Community Farm Bureau, Dorthe meeting in focus and othy Emmons, sec'y. moving Did anything happen at the

Mecosta County, Pleasant View SILVER STAR AWARD

Ingham County, Wheatfield meeting that would cause the members to want to at- Community Farm Bureau, Luella

Community Farm Bureau, Harcome members of Farm Bureau.

Robinson, sec'y.

Pruning is one of the simplest,

tend the next meeting? There is an atmosphere of good fellowship about the

If your group doesn't score so Tree Plantings

reation Specialist, 4-H Club De- easiest, and most profitable prac-

partment, has given us a list of tices you can find if you have a

the 4-H Club Meeting Demon- Christmas tree plantation on your

East Orion 4-H Club, Mrs. John tree sales are concerned.

Their efforts resulted in an increase in Mich Farm Bureau membership last year to 67,154 ilies. Present indications are that the goal for of 70,242 will be reached.

Farm men and women in their Farm. Bu membership and community activities are vo the interests and making effective the influen the family farm in the affairs of the nation. family farm is the bedrock upon which the A ican Farm Bureau is founded.

Roger Fleming, Secretary of the American Bureau, said, "The family farm is gaining gro It is getting larger, to be sure, but it is still the efficient pattern of economic organization of farms of the United States."

Dr. Herrell DeGraff of Cornell University firmed the future of the family farm. He said

"The mechanical phase of the agricultural olution is running out-the sand is low in the Mechanical improvements and advances of rea nificance are yet to come, but they will not be as to cause further unbalance of land, labor, capital on farms now in balance with today's advanced tools.

"Large scale units beyond efficient family are not going to take over.

"The agricultural revolution is changing. are getting to the end of one era and are well the beginnings of another. Large farms will be favored by any enhanced opportunity gro out of the relative advance of the scientific retion."

This should afford considerable encourage to our farm family membership. We have strug long and hard to prevent the leveling of indiv farmer opportunity into the strait-jacket of a manent government-controlled agriculture. family farm would have a bleak future und socialistic "equal shares" environment of that

The voluntary enlistment of more than 1, 000 farm families makes the American Farm reau Federation the strongest power in the n in safeguarding and perpetuating the family farm and "Building A Better America with Opportunities For All.'

Insurance.	Colburn, Free Soil, Michigan. (2-1t-20p)	9-2751, (2-2t-19bMt)	chions, In very good condition, Price \$200, W. H. Probst, Northport, Mich-
14	PUREBRED YORKSHIRE bred gilts for sale at \$80 to \$90. Bred to	WANT TO BUY	igan. Telephone 4362. (2-3t-25p)
	Reserve Champion Boar at Boar Show at Michigan State University fall of	ANYTHING from Albums to Zithers for Antique Shop. Send description,	THREE 5-SECTION HAWKINS Million \$ Hen Starting Brooders, in
to he	1956. Also boars \$60 to \$75. Excellent individuals of exceptional bloodlines.	condition, and price. Also, antiques for sale. State wants. Member of Saginaw	like new condition. Paul Martin, 1020 Erie Road, Erie, Michigan. Phone 38F14. (2-1t-21p)
to be-	Blaque Knirk & Sons, Quincy, Michi- gan. Phone Melrose 9-3276, (2-it-41p)	Farm Bureau, Richard Bosquet, Bridgeport R-1, Michigan, (2-lt-nc)	DE LAVAL MAGNETIC MILKER.
ALC LAN	ABERDEEN ANGUS BULL, 2 years old, Registered, Sire, Alex of	FARM MACHINERY	Used very little, Two Stainless Steel units, Solution Rack, Less motor,
chigan	Fair Lea. Dam, Hermel Miss Black. 9 grade cows, 6 heifers, two due soon.	OLIVER CLETRAC A-B-6- Model 1948, Excellent condition, Almost new	\$150.00. Don Stevenson, Coral, Michi- gan, Phone 194-F15 Howard City, (2-1t-25p)
fam-	Bang's tested. Good offer on entire herd. W. C. Leist, Milford R-1, Mich- igan. Phone MU 47068. (2-11-nc)	tracks. Recently overhauled. New clutch, Continental Motor, George	
1957	REGISTERED ABERDEEN ANG-	Sage, Gobies, Michigan. (2-2t-25p) COMBINE 1956 International 141	FOR SALE-Model B 1948 John Deere tractor with power lift cultiva- tor and power-troi 2 bottom 14" Deere
	US cows and helfers, open and bred. Several nice young herd sire prospects.	12 ft. cut. Self-propelled, pick-up bean attachments, Has done 100 acres	plow with cylinder, In very good condition, Also, 40 registered Corrie-
lureau	Bordolier and Bordolier, breeding, Farmer prices, Paul L. Hoffman,	grain, 100 acres beans. Will sacrifice. Donald Morse, 11250 Dixie Highway,	dale ewes. Bred for March, Also registered ram, Bradley power corn
oicing	Gladwin, Michigan, Tel. Garden 6-7972, (2-1t-25p)	Birch Run, Michigan, Phone MA 4- 9486, (2-1t-27p)	sheller with bagger, 2 nanny goats. Have always run with sheep, 40 acres,
nce of	BABY PULLETS	CO-OP FIELD CHOPPER with three heads and McGee Vacuum	no buildings, on good gravel road 12 miles from Lansing. If interested, write Laurence 'Hart, Bath, R-1,
The	NOW HATCHING DIRKSE SU- PERIOR LAYERS, Baby pullets \$40	Blower, Also two unit Surge Milk Machine, Good shape, Stanley Bleshen-	Michigan. (2-1t-67p)
Amer-	per 100. All hatching flock stock this year was hatched from 24 oz. eggs	ski, Linwood R-1, Michigan, Phone OX 73396. (2-1t-24p)	FARM WANTED
1.5	or over. Are you troubled with broodiness, blowouts, small eggs, leukosis? Get Dirkse's this year. Try	WANT TO BUY	50 TO 100 ACRES—sandy soil. On hard road, Lake or stream for irri-
Farm	them against any chicks at any price. In Random Sample Test at Cornell	INTERESTED in old time roller	gating, Modern home, Outbuildings secondary, Possession 1 to 2 years, O. Hunter, 23573 Karr Road, Belle-
ound.	University they lay more eggs on less feed and more birds are left at the	player plano, In good condition, Write, giving details and price, Irving LeBlanc, 3422 Ridgefield Road,	ville, Michigan. (2-1t-25p)
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on the	tion program. Dirkse windowless house, Hawkins floor, Northco Ven-	BARN EQUIPMENT	SEED POTATOES. Certified Se- bago. Sand grown from foundation
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r con-	are ordering Dirkse's chicks this year because of net profit over feed	train, non-stop gutter to spreader, reverses automatically. Flexible power unit cleans, one, two, or three gut-	Tulloch, 6323 South State Road, Vas- sar, 14 miles south of Vassar, M-15.
id:	costs made in Random Sample Tests. Dirkse Leghorn Farm, Zeeland, Mich. Telephone 3691. (10-tf-124b)	ters, Longer elevator available, loads spreader at 18' stockpiles at 30', Low-	(2-2t-25p) FOUNDATION SEBAGO and Cher-
l rev-	WESTLINE-A controlled strain	er cost, easier to install. Literature free. Write Ottawa-Hitch, FN-321,	okee, Also Certified Sebago Seed Potatoes, Seventeen years' experience
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most	Zeeland, Michigan. (10-tf-60b)	can't miss selling our wonderful all-	FARM FOR SALE
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y size	Adds (up to 99,999). Subtracts. \$2.00 postpaid. M-LEES, Box 6792(M), San	(1-3t-52h)	farm. Good buildings: 2 houses, 9 rooms and 7 rooms, 32 x 70 Barn. Granary. Toolshed, other buildings.
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We	ST. BERNARD PUPS. Registered.	LADIES-Order an All Metal Step Stool 10 inches high. Work safely.	county, Mr. Fay Coon, 230 East Mor- rell Street, Otsego, Michigan.
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ll not	pine goats, all ages. Stud service. Parline Goat Dairy, 13075 Pardee St.,	SILOS	county, Large house, harn granary,
owing	Wyandotte, Michigan. (12-3t-25p) BORDER COLLIE PUPPIES beau-	SILOS Proven financing plan	chicken coop. 40 acres seeding, Oscar Westbrook, Fremont R-2, Michigan. (2-1t-20p)
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ement	Igan. (2-1t-25p) RAT TERRIER dogs and pupples	matic silo unloader and bunk feeder for fast, efficient, low cost stock	Pirst class land, 50 bushels wheat
iggled	for sale, Good ratters, Wonderful pets, Males \$15, Females \$12, Many	feeding. Why wait when you can have your C&B erected now on easy	Butterfield, 6469 Jones road, North
vidual	satisfied customers. Glenn Bush, Ellsworth, Michigan. (2-1t-22p)	installment purchase plan. Write to- day to C&B Silo Co., Dept. C, 141 30th Street, S.W., Grand Rapids 8,	Branch, Mich. (1-2t-41p) 200 ACRES, eleven miles southwest
a per-	FOR SALE-One 30" by 10' new King Maple Syrup Evaporator, 400	Mich., or C&B Silo Co., Dept. C, 958 North Cochran Ave., Charlotte, Mich.	rest of it provides excellent hunting.
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der a	Buckets and Spouts. Von Glahn Bros., Suttons Bay R-1, Michigan. Phone	PLANTS	(2-1t-25p)
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,500,-	WHY PAY THE LONG PRICE? For your electrical appliances, shop tools, furniture, jewelry, sporting	We lift. You fork and clean. Write for prices. Sample mailed on request. Royal Nurserles, Eau Claire, Michi-	cattle and swine Plenty of farm
n Bu-	goods, typewriters, cameras, electric razor, watches? Send a dollar bill	gan. Phone HO 1-3083. (2-1t-29p)	equipment. Write Thomas Colter, El- mira, Michigan. (2-1t-25p)
nation	for our wholesale estalor deller re-	CLEAN STRAWBERRY PLANTS. Inspected twice for Red Stele and	There would be a must doub
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## Right Now in Farm Bureau...

JERRY CORDREY Coordinator, Organization Department of MFB

Membership in State office stands at 65,191. This is 93% of our goal of 70,242 for 1957. We have 4,802 new members.

We are 1,663 members ahead of where we were a year ago on this date.

Four counties have surpassed goal. These counties are Manistee, Gladwin, Cheboygan, Montmorency.

Michigan is leading so far in the American Farm Bureau Federation and can be the first state in the nation over goal.

Winners in the contest for highest percentage of goal by January 15th were: 1st-Cheboygan 107%; 2nd-Manistee 104.9%; 3rd-Montmorency 104.5%.

An "All Star Team" is to be selected this year. It will consist of the first 11 counties over goal. Pictures of the Roll Call managers from these counties will appear in the Michigan Farm News as soon as 11 counties qual-

ify. First county over goal is captain of the team, so Manistee wins this honor. Coach for the "All Stars" will be Regional Representative from the first region ruary 19 and 20, at the Gull Lake over goal.

Seven places are still open on the team. Why not future plans will highlight the have your county on?

A list of county standings can be found elsewhere in the paper.

Other membership awards for 1957 are:

1. Three trophies for highest penses. maintenance of 1956 membership Many counties have opportunias tabulated August 15, 1957. ty to win one of the above honors.

2. An award of utility value Other activities in the spotfor all counties over goal August light are: 15, 1957. Regional Legislative Seminars.

3. Two trips to American Farm Legislative Committees from Bureau Federation convention at each county visit Lansing, are Chicago next December for each brought up to date on current of the 11 Districts. legislative affairs by Stanley

These will be granted to the Powell, Dan Reed, and C. L. two counties in each District on Brody. They have lunch with the following basis: One trip to Representatives and Senators the county that attains the high- from their respective District and est per cent over goal August 15, 1957. One trip to the county that noon. Dates for this year are: has the most members over goal August 15, 1957.

Feb. 12-Northwest Region. This award consists of transportation plus \$50 towards ex-| Feb. 13-West Central Region.



Feb. 26-East Central Region and Upper Peninsula Region. Feb. 27-Southeast Region. Feb. 28-Thumb Region. Mar. 12-Central Region.

District P.X. (Policy Execution Meetings). Legislative Committees will be brought up to date on American Farm Bureau Federation policies as adopted at the National Convention in Decem-These meetings will be ber. staffed by the District Director. Dates for these are as follows, by Membership Districts:

District 1-Feb. 11-evening. 2-Feb. 4-afternoon. 3-Feb. 4-afternoon.

3-Feb. 5-afternoon. 4-Feb. 4-afternoon. 5-Feb. 7-evening.

6-Feb. 7-evening.

7-Feb. 4-afternoon. 8-Feb. 11-evening.

9-Feb. 8-evening.

10-Feb. 13-afternoon.

Details of these meetings can be obtained from your Regional Representative.

Public Relations training meetings will be held in several regions during February and March o train county leaders for meeting with urban service clubs to discuss the farm situation.

County Presidents Conference. The second County Presidents Conference will be held on Feb-Biological Station. It will start at 10:00 a.m. Information on present programs and discussion of

meeting.

District Petroleum meetings 'Power Farming with Farm Bureau") will be held during Feb-

ruary. This will be an excellent opportunity to learn about the petroleum program as well as to enjoy an entertaining program. Dates for these meetings are: Feb. 5-Northeast Region. Feb. 6-Northwest Region.

Feb. 7-District 7. Feb. 11-District 4. Feb. 12-District 1. Feb. 13-District 2. Feb. 26-District 3.

Feb. 27-District 6. Feb. 28-District 8. March 1-District 5.

rapidly as the necessary inspec-Young Farmer Trainee Protions can be completed. gram. Five of the 19 Farmer plaque will be prominently dis-Trainees for 1957 were placed on played on one of the buildings visit the Legislature in the afterfarms in Michigan on January on each farm found to be free 25. The rest will arrive on Feb-

from abnormal fire hazards. ruary 9. One of these boys may Most common of all hazards be in your county. Mr. Bust said is improper fusing Blue Cross reopening instruction meetings are now being held There were 113 cases of this

ruary.

Counsels.

ings.

day!

hazard in 964 inspections. Fauland will continue through Febty wiring came next on the list Enrollment will be during with 63 cases, and improper fix-March. Contact your Blue Cross tures accounted for 15 reports. Secretary or County Secretary There were also 46 defective for further information.

Regional Representatives are: 1. Spending all available time helping counties reorganize membership drive to finish the job

quickly. Have you done your part? 2. Attending or will attend the following meetings in February: District Women's Advisory

Region Liaison Committee.

County Board meetings. Legislative Seminars. District P.X. Meetings. Public relations meetings.

ference, February 14 and 15.

District Petroleum Meetings.

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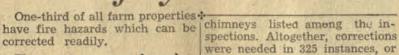
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February 19 and 20.

willing to help.



The most common hazards in one-third of the examinations. found are improper wiring, Mr. Bust reported that his inspection activities were well re-

These conclusions have been ceived by the farmers he visited. developed as the result of 964 They were glad to have suggespersonal inspections of farm and tions in planning improved safeesidential properties by Francis guards against fires. Bust, fire safety engineer for the

James Rathbun, assistant manager for Farm Bureau Mutual's Fire Division, said, "We know that this program of safety measures will mean the averting of Mr. Bust made a report on his many destructive fires through

Farm Bureau members are urged to take note of farms displaying inspections as Farm Bureau Mu- the years. "The program will be doubly the new Safety Award Plaque in

## **Notice of Annual Meeting**

### FARM BUREAU LIFE INSURANCE CO.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of Farm Bureau Life Insurance Company of Michigan, a corporation, will be held at its office, 4000 North Grand River Avenue, Lansing, Michigan, on Tuesday, February, 26, 1957, beginning at 1:30 p.m. for the following purposes:

1-To receive reports from officers and management.

2-To elect directors.

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Lansing, Michigan

3-To consider such other matters as may properly come before the meeting.

> J. F. YAEGER Secretary

CHELLIS HALL of Mason, Ingham county (left), admires the new Fire Safety Award Plaque being placed on his barn by Francis Bust, fire safety engineer for Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company, The new Safety Plaque Is part of a fire safety program recently undertaken by the Fire Division of Farm Bureau Mutual.

holders to avoid the suffering

and inconvenience that are the

direct result of fires, and it will

ontribute to maintenance of the

ow rates that are among the

present advantages to policy-

Mr. Rathbun emphasized that

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order to observe the safety meas- admissions and the cost of care ures taken by the owners.

Bureau properties that would benefit from a fire inspection. 'We shall do all we can to help provide these inspections as rapidly as our facilities permit." about \$1,750,000 in hospital care.

**Hospital Care** For 121,000 Children

One out of every four Blue Cross hospital admissions are for youngsters covered under family contracts, a Michigan Blue Cross-Blue Shield survey reveals.

accounted for 121,000 admissions rage cost (\$280 per case). In some more than \$13,000,000 worth of hospital care in Michigan.

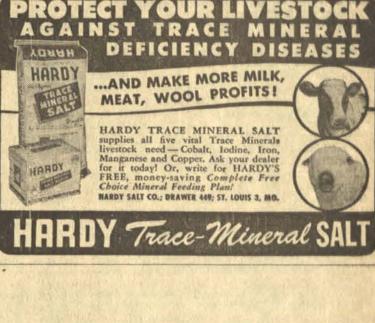
Biggest single reason for hospital care was removal of tonsils and adenoids. There were 36,526 such cases requiring more than \$2,000,000 in hospital care.

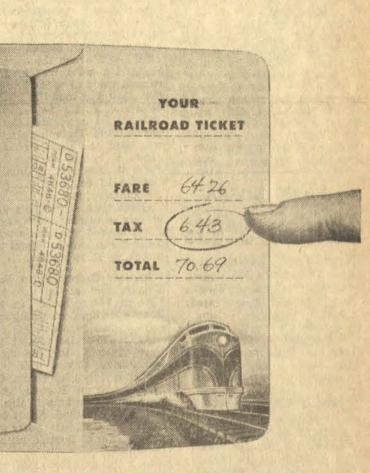
The survey showed the stay was short-usually just a shade over 11/2 days-and the average cost about \$58 a case.

digestive and genito-urinary ailments. They accounted for 19,325 state's No. 1 cash grain crop.

pital care alone. **Research on Wheat** Research conducted in the next few years at Michigan State University may well determine the

pitalization of youngsters was job at the University is to breed better varieties of wheat for the





olders.

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was the highest of any category-He believes there are many \$2,639,000.

Diseases of the respiratory system (pneumonia, etc.) sent nearly 15,000 children to the hospital and Blue Cross provided

> 4.203 boys were hospitalized for accidents compared to 2,135 girls. Accident cases averaged a week of hospital care and the cost to Blue Cross was over \$850,-000.

February 1, 1957 THREE

Heart and artery disease among roungsters accounted for over 2,100 Blue Cross hospital admistions during the year at a cost of

more than \$478,000. Possible polio cases while relatively small in number-1,139nvolved the longest average stay During 1955 children under 19 (21/2 weeks) and the highest ave-

> of the severe paralytic cases, stays lasted up to four months and charges covered by Blue Cross often topped \$2,000 for hos-

future success of the Michigan wheat farmer. Everett Everson's



Farm Bureau Mutual's

Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance

Company of Michigan. He was

chairman of the 1956 Michigan

tual launched its program to pre-

sent 1957 Safety Award plaques

to all insured farms meeting

established fire safety standards.

The first plaque was placed on the farm of Mr. Chellis Hall near

Awarding of the new Fire Safety Award plaques to policy-

holders will be undertaken as

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Feb. 7-Northeast Region.

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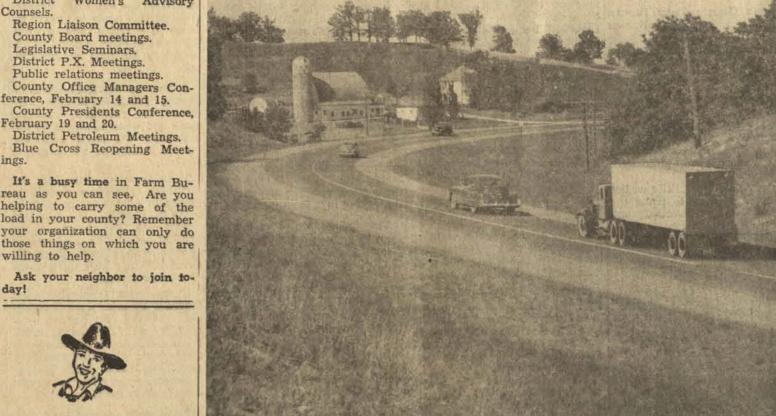
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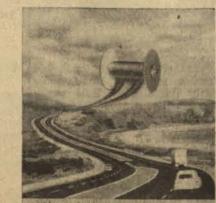
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During World War II, Congress levied special taxes on the passenger fares and the freight charges paid to railroads and other forms of public for-hire transportation. One reason for these special taxes was to discourage the use of these transportation facilities in wartime.

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The reason for these "temporary" wartime taxes vanished long ago. But they are still discouraging the use of our public transportation systems. And by so doing, these taxes are weakening our public carriers-essential to peacetime commerce and vital to national defense.

These discriminatory and burdensome taxes should be repealed - now!

ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN RAILROADS WASHINGTON, D. C.

## FOUR February 1, 1957 MICHIGAN FARM NEWS Activities of Women of Michigan Farm Bureau

### District 1

Mrs. Fred Foster, Chairman, Niles R-3

Berrien County Women's Committee meeting for December was held at the Youth Memorial Building December 19 with 31 women present. A report on the plastic dish sale was made. This has been very successful. An ac-knowledgment for the gift of \$10 for the retarded children of the Niles School was read.

The January program will be a panel on education.

Mrs. John Walter urged every lady to read the article on education published in the U. S. News Women held their first meeting and World Report magazine.

joyed by all and a special word was answered by a Christmas exof thanks was given to the com- perience. Devotions dealt with mittee. Mrs. Walter Wellington, the true meaning of the greet-Mrs. Mabel Koebel, Mrs. Eugene ing "A Happy New Year" and the Waldenmaier, and Mrs. Robert challenges of each new day. \$53 Knuth.

Cass County Farm Bureau retarded children were received. Women's Committee met at the home of Mrs. Chester Ball Janu- Conference in January were apnew year's resolution.

Mrs. Earl Shearer was appoint- ly enjoyed. ed as the representative to the Cass County Center Building Asmeeting.

Mrs. Lee Bakeman and Mrs. gram theme this year. Chester Ball reported on the coming year's program.

Camp on March 5th-8th must be January at Michigan State Unimade with Mrs. Charles Knapp, versity R-2, Marshall by March 1st. The at the home of Mrs. Lee Bakeman.

Kalamazoo County Farm Bu- help in any disaster.' reau Women's Committee met January 7 at the home of Mrs. wonderful bank balance from Corbus. Louise Smith read the their Fair Booth earnings. program for the St. Mary's Camp. Members were asked to attend on February 4th.

The program committee will work out a printed program for the coming year. Our secretary to send a letter to each absent group representative in order to create new interest and increase the percentage of attendance. Duane Smith, a state trooper the Wayland post, spoke on "Safety on the Highways." He stressed the seven most unheeded

FARM BUREAU

laws, and commended the driver training programs being conducted in the high schools. Mrs. Snyder, safety chairman, and Mrs. Rolfe, legislative chairman, reported on their responsibility.

### Mrs. John C. Watling, Chairman Bath R-1

Farm Bureau Committee Women of District 5 have been

Clinton County Farm Bureau in 1957 with 31 groups represent-Our Christmas party was en- ed and several guests. Roll call from 7 groups and \$20 in pledges for the school fund for mentally

Delegates to the State Health ary 8. The meeting called to order by Mrs. Wm. Harris. Roll Call velog by Rev. Price of St. Johns was given by each lady giving a on a recent trip to Jamaica, Haitiand the Virgin Islands was great-

Eaton County Women hold sociation which met on January monthly evening meetings at the 21st at the County Court House. County Farm Bureau office at The Association will serve a din- Charlotte. 25 people were present ner to the Soil Conservation from 19 groups at the January meeting. Citizenship is the pro-

Delegates will attend the Safety Council meeting in March and Reservations for the St. Mary's the Rural Health Conference in

next meeting will be February 5 County Civil Defense office, said others. Civil Defense is everyday

the Rural Health meeting on Jan- meet at members' homes or places uary 16, 17, or 18th. The next designated by a hostess group. craft at the Methodist Church earning funds. Genesee has a

birthday month comes. This year when the appeal for Hungarian relief was made, the for the Michigan State Police at and drugs were voted to the Hun-

for another year.

**District 5** 

busy planning the coming year's work and appointing committees to carry out the program.

Our guest speaker from the "Civil Defense is being able to take care of oneself and to help

The treasurer's report shows a

Genesee Farm Bureau Women

to which each member contributes 1 penny per year when her

women voted to open their birthday fund and found \$17.50. Five dollars each, for food packages garian relief. The remaining \$7.50 was used to give cigars and candy to people at the County Farm at Thanksgiving time. They decided to continue the project

Guest speaker was Pete March, insurance salesman for Genesee

District 9

Traverse City R-1

The Cherry Producers Market-

Benzie County Women's Com-

Bureau members in Sanilac coun-Also that District 6 won first ty. place for attentance at the annual Farm Bureau Women's meeting in Lansing.

> Sanilac County Women are collecting articles of clothing, picture the 4-H Congress at Chicago. books, crayons and other things for the Retarded Children at Lapeer Children's Home.

They are also having two more tables constructed for the Sanilac group of women to help her. This is true in all of the county County Farm Bureau Building. committees in the Thumb district. We have carried on all state There is much to be done. projects as well as raising money to help furnish the new building.

Mrs. Elias Williamson of Carsonville is chairman. She is as- Mrs. Oliver Tompkins, Chairman sisted by a wonderful group of Farm Bureau Women who give

The weatherman says its "4" below at the airport." A good day their time. St. Clair County Farm Bureau to catch up on our mail.

Women have met every month New York State reports 55 bemeeting will be held in School- Counties have different ways of and carried on all the state low in some places. projects as well as carrying on The most cherry trees will special box for a birthday fund their project for helping retarded stand is 30 below zero. Northwest children. farmers are beginning to wonder A contribution in December was if there will be a short crop next

given to the local Association for summer. Retarded Children for purchase of gifts. A sled was given to the ing Cooperative is a hot issue Children's Home in Port Huron around here. One thing for sure, if we don't hang together, we're where many children are living.

going to hang separately. St. Clair County Women had a can p at Lake Huron last fall and mittee seems to be internationalconsidered it a very pleasant exly minded. They have been havperience. It will rotate to Lapeer ing interesting lectures and piccounty this fall. Lapeer county tures on Mexico, Alaska, and women will be hostess. Europe.

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Mrs. George Meharg of Yale is chairman of St. Clair County Kalkaska County Women's sun porch or in some warm, well and press the soil down firmly Committee had an informative lighted window of the home Nomen Tuscola County Farm Bureau Women are active in Farm Bureau Women are active in Farm Bureau and charitable work. tation and wish I could have been They contribute towards the there. Missaukee County Women's fect young plants come from the soil. support of a Korean boy and received a nice greeting from him Committee met January 8 with soil, so much so, that it is advisa 56% attendance, Mrs. Cole, edi- able to sterilize the soil before at Christmas time. The tuberculosis association re- tor of the Missaukee Republican, sowing the seeds. There are sevceived a \$10 check from us. An- spoke on what makes a good eral methods of sterilizing small causes the seedlings to become other \$10 was sent to "Save the newspaper. Children Federation.' Wexford County. Mrs. Dohms flat with the soil and then thor-At our Christmas program games were played, gifts were said they are all set for the Ad- oughly drench it with boiling visory Council meeting at her water. Moist heat is considered exchanged. house February 27th. Wexford more effective than dry heat in We are meeting a little earlier County Farm Bureau was grati- destroying injurious organisms. for coffee or milk to make the fied at the interest shown at the meetings very informal and Roll Call kick-off dinner. Peter friendly. So Pretty!

place winner in Oceana county county. of Hart receives from Governor Williams the Certificate of Award In the 1956 West Michigan Farmand \$50 in cash for Crystal Lake to-Prosper Contest.

Our women were very gracious garian relief.

in donating \$50 to send a 4-H The program for the coming Club achievement booth winner to year was submitted to the group for approval. The February Mrs. Edward Golding is chair- meeting will be with Mrs. Warman of Tuscola County Women's ren Spragg. A report will be given Committee. She has an enthusiastic on the Hoover Commission Re-

port.

ing year. Guest 'speaker Mrs. ruary

Clemens. Mrs. Enid Kenyon gave seeks further promotion for mar- to reapportion the Michigan Sena report on the State Farm Bu- keting of farm commodities, in- ate can be made until next year.

## **The Home Flower Garden**

H. L. R. CHAPMAN Horticulturist

A greenhouse is the ideal place in which to start seeds at this time of year, but if you do not have one it will be necessary to

handle the seeds in the home.

ful in raising young plants in the seed pan grip it with both hands with the thumbs until

reau Institute. The women reproved quality of marketed comcently sponsored a Victory Dinmodities. He wants research by ner for the Farm Bureau Young Michigan State University into People and their sponsors. The land use, and legislation establishevening was spent playing games ing water rights and water manand dancing. The party was a agement, huge success. We decided to all learn the Farm Bureau Creed and recite it at the next meeting. reaus placing among winners in

Presque Isle County Women's Committee met at the Hawks Township Hall. The meeting were North Chester, fourth in Ottawa county; Dayton Progressive, foruth in Newaygo county, places were scheduled for the and Dayton Farm Bureau, fifth in coming year. A "Care" package was sent out. Thirty-five women were present. Plans were being made for the year's program. The next meeting will be at Moltke.

**CIO Proposes Oceana Group Changes** in Wins in Farm **Election Laws To Prosper** 

Oceana

Other Farm Bureau Commun-

2. Lower the voting age to 18.

3. Time off, with pay, to vote.

4. Simpler methods of reg-

5. Consolidation of elections

so that there are not more than

one primary and one other elec-

6. An adequate number of

7. Establishment of bi-par-

8. We support the election of

the president of the United States

and the vice president by direct

The deadline for filing peti-

tisanship on all election boards.

competent, trained, bi-partisan

tion a year.

poll workers.

Several Community Farm Bugoals in the January 24, 1957 isreaus won prizes in the 1956 West sue of the Michigan CIO News: Michigan Farm-to-Prosper Contest. to work to obtain reapportion-

Crystal Lake Community Farm ment of both our congressional prize money. MRS. WARD M. GILLILAND Community Farm Bureau as first Bureau placed first in Oceana districts and the legislature so on people.

The contest is a community activities project carried on among rural community organizations for advancement of rural community life in Western Michistration.

igan Mason, Muskegon, Newaygo, Oceana, and Ottawa counties rural groups take part.

Winners in the 1956 contest Montmorency County Women's were announced at the annual Committee met at the home of "Round-Up" December 27 at Mrs. Fanny Secrest. Names were Muskegon Senior High School drawn for hostess for the com- auditorium and cafeteria. The Governor traditionally be-Ruth Rice told of the history of stows the awards on winning or-Atlanta. Civil Defense will be ganizations. On this occasion discussed at the meeting in Feb-Governor Williams outlined his popular vote."

tions to place proposed constitufor the current session. tional amendments on the April,

## Governor Williams said he 1957 ballot has passed. No effort

## SOWING SEEDS INDOORS

quickly without taking the soil strong. down to block the drainage hole. If flats are used, omit the broken

pieces of flower pots. Nexf, fill the container to the top with the treated soil mixture.

Gardeners have been success- If the container is a flower pot or

The daytime temperature

should be not more than 70 degrees. If the temperature becomes too high the plants will grow tall and weak, which always should be avoided.

Seed Sowing Dates

February 1-15; Delphinium,

cluding legislation looking to im- ity Groups participating included: Mason county-Lincoln River. Amber, Sauble River, CBS, St. Mary's Lake, Riverton, E. and R., Summit-Pere Marquette.

Muskegon county - Casnovia, Ravenna, Holton, Holton Progres-Other Community Farm Busive, Cedar Creek, MRC, White River-Montague. the Farm-to-Prosper Contest

Newaygo county — County Line, Rural-Urban Sherman.

Oceana county - New Era, Golden, Benona, Newfield, Ran-sacker, Shelby Young Adults, Newaygo; West Grant second in Lakeshore, Claybanks.

> Ottawa county - Patchin, Gitchel, Tuttle.

A total of 101 Farm Bureaus, Granges, school groups, and independent organizations participated in this 17th annual contest. County prizes consist of five prizes carrying cash awards of \$50, \$30, \$20, \$15, and \$10, and framed certificates. The Sweep-In setting out its plans for changes in Michigan election laws, the CIO lists the following

by another organization. Winner in 1956 was Ashland 1. Michigan CIO will continue Grange, Newaygo county. Business organizations provide the

The Michigan Farm Bureau was that representation may be based represented by Dan Reed, associate legislative counsel.

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agricultural legislative program Ogemaw County Farm Bureau met at the home of Mrs. Minnie

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Farm Bureau who won a trip for himself and wife to Miami in the

insurance sales contest. Ingham County Farm Bureau Women met at the Veterans of Foreign Wars home in Eaton Rapids for luncheon and business

meeting in November. As a Christmas project funds were given to the County Rehabilitation Center for foam rubber cushions for chairs. Community Farm Bureau groups were invited to help in this project if they wished. About 30 attended the Christmas party at the County Farm Bureau office in December.

In planning the 1957 year's program, 3 tours were decided on: (1) A visit to the State Legislature, (2) the County Court House to learn more about county government and (3) to the WJIM Country House TV Station or the School for the Blind. **District** 6

#### Mrs. Irene Hitchings, Chairman North Street

Huron county Farm Bureau Women are divided into East and West groups because of the large area. They alternate their meetings, but meet every month. They have been active in assist-

ing the 4-H Club young folks at fair time, serving meals from their kitchen at cost. They have the services of a county health nurse now and are going to assist the Chest X-Ray

and the Mobile Blood Units. They have participated in all the state projects as well as local

projects. Many requests are made for the services of Farm Bureau women in rural areas. They are always willing to help on any local project that will better rural living.

Mrs. Bruce Crumback of Bad Axe and Mrs. Edward Oeschger of Bay Port are co-chairmen of Huron County Farm Bureau Women.

Sanilac County Farm Bureau Women will have their annual dinner February 1 at the Farm Bureau Building at Sandusky. Mrs. Allyn Gordon has been appointed chairman for the bake sale and bazaar to be held then. The dinner will be served by the Amadore and Applegate

groups. Roll call response will 263, be items about Abraham Lincoln and George Washington,

the record of over 2,000 Farm mailing.

Northwest Michigan Women's degrees for thirty minutes. Committee made a contribution to the purchase of a bus for the county 4-H clubs. Their thankwould like to share it with you: Dear Mrs. Tompkins,

As a member of the Bates Merry Makers 4-H Club, I would like to thank the Northwest Michigan Farm Bureau Women's Committee for their part in helping to purchase the county 4-H coach.

We have had many enjoyable trips with it this past year. I personally was able to go to Cadillac for the district contests and East Lansing for Club week. Thank you for making this possible.

#### Sincerely, Sue Engle

The State Advisory Council one part loam; one part leaf mold will enable you to keep records meeting December 27-28 at Lan- or peat moss; and one part build- of your plants. sing (my first) was brimful of er's sand. This is thoroughly mixties for Farm Bureau women. I an inch sieve. know the programs are going to be helpfu

## District 10-E

Mrs. Vernon Kingsbury, Chm. Alpena R-1

Adelore Rouleau in January. seed or bulb pans, or they may be Twenty-three groups were repre- shallow boxes (flats). sented. Thank you notes were Whichever container is used, it pattern to Michigan Farm News, by the Safety and Legislative should be placed over the holes,

Needlecraft Service, P. O. serve dinner for the Petroleum sphagnum moss or clean crumpl- the day. Box 162, Old Chelsea Station, New York, N. Y. Add five cents Co-op Day Feb. 5 at Long Rap- ed leaves should be placed.

program on Civil Defense, also where the young plants can be inch from the top. Then level the snapdragon, petunia (double) tainer a flat piece of wood will be

A frequent mistake made is the sowing of seeds too thickly. That weak and open to attack by disquantities of soil.

ease. Sow the seeds evenly and A simple method is to fill a not too thickly on the surface of the soil.

If the seeds are other than the dust-like type they should be gently pressed into the soil by using the bottom of a four inch

The boiling water method is flower pot. For flats use a flat Sikkema of the Michigan Farm suggested in preference to the piece of wood. The seeds should Bureau staff said farmers are generally recommended practice now be covered very lightly by strong in public and business af- of placing a one inch layer of soil sifting soil through a sieve made fairs through their Farm Bureau. in a baking pan and baking it in of window screen. the oven at a temperature of 200 Next, water thoroughly but

carefully by using a small water-

If large quantities of sterilized ing can with a very fine nozzle or soil are required, then undoubta spray bulb. After the water has you letter is so nicely written I edly, the best method of steriliz- drained off place the container in ing is to steam it as is done in the location where the seeds will commercial greenhouses. It is germinate. It is advisable to stand well to remember that should the the container on a tray to prevent last method be used, the best re- damage from moisture. sults are attained when the soil is

If the seeds are small and dustlike, the soil on which they are

Sterilized soil should remain at to be sown should be thoroughly least one week before it is used. watered and the seeds sown as If then it is too dry, moisture soon as the water disappears from should be added. If too moist it the surface. These seeds should should be exposed to the air to not be covered with soil.

dry out. The soil must be in a The name of the plant, the condition to be handled before place where the seeds were obtained, and the date when the Let me repeat here the soil seeds were sown should be writmixture to be used for seed sow- ten on a small wooden label ing as given in this column last which should be placed in the soil month. This mixture should be: at the edge of the container. This

Place a piece of glass on top of ideas for more effective activi- ed and sifted through a quarter of the seed pan or flat. This will prevent too rapid evaporation and

To proceed with the sowing of aid, in keeping a uniform conthe seeds indoors: Containers dition of soil moisture.

Most seeds germinate more must be chosen. They may be four inch or five inch flower pots (if readily in the absence of light. To new clay pots are used they imitate this condition place a should be soaked for ten minutes piece of newspaper over the glass and allow to remain until after Alpena County Women's Com- in water and dried before using). mittee met at the home of Mrs. The containers may be six inch germination takes place.

read from three shut-ins whom must have holes in the bottom. If each day until the glass can be the women had remembered with flower pots or seed pans are used taken away. Fresh air without Send 25 cents in coins for each a Xmas gift. Reports were given broken pieces of old flower pots chilling is of great importance. If watering is necessary do it in chairman. Plans were made to and over this half inch layer of the morning rather than late in

Give the seedlings as much The women are very proud of for each pattern for first class ids Hall. The ladies will give the proceeds of the dinner to Hun- surplus water can drain off sunlight until the plants become

lobelia (annual), begonia (bedseeds. If a flat is used as a con- ding).

The delphinium, though a per-Many of the troubles that af- necessary to firm and level the ennial will produce blooms in July of the same year if seeds are sown at this time.

> Week of February 24: Ageratum, coleus, gaillardia, petunia, phlox (annual), platycodon (balloon flower), verbena (garden verbena), and vinca rosea.

The March article in this column will contain information on Size 36 takes 41/4 yards 35-inch transplanting the seedlings. We fabric. shall describe the coldframe, its construction, and its value in the

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When green color appears in the young seedlings air must be admitted gradually, a little more

somewhat dry.

the seeds are planted.

## **Farm Bureau** In Upper Peninsula

#### WESLEY S. HAWLEY , Co-ordinator For U. P.

Farm Bureau in the Upper Peninsula is moving ahead. Chippewa and Baraga County Farm Bureaus are organizing for action, -appointing committees and preparing their work.

Chippewa county is setting up membership, community, legislative, resolutions, Blue Cross and women's committees. They plan an Institute before spring if pos-

Baraga county has set up legislative, Blue Cross and women's committees. They will have more later.

Training schools for Community officers were held January 23 and 24 in Chippewa and Baraga counties. MFB staff members from Lansing hepled in these profitable meetings: Don Kinsey, Mrs. Marjorie Karker and Clarence King. These were good and profitable meetings.

good County Institute January 30 hazards of old age and death. for seven committees. The following committees are at work: membership, community, women, Blue Cross, legislative and resolutions. The membership and Community committees are busy new community groups. The other committees are busy with their responsibilities.

Mrs. Ken Corey has been ap- between the ages of 65 and 72 pointed to the State Women's plan to restrict their 1957 net Council and is on the Menominee earnings to \$1,200 or less. county board of directors.

Delta County Farm Bureau is busy with groups and membership activities.

### **Farm-City Week Dates for 1957**

Friday, November 22, has been set as the opening of Farm-City Week for 1957. The week will close with Thanksgiving Day, certificate is the best proof possi-November 28.

"This week is set to emphasize the need for better rural-urban Form 1040 and Schedule F that understanding," said Merle Tucker, of New Mexico, chairman of the National Farm-City Week Committee. "We hope and know that activities in this area are continuing thoughout the year."

A smart man works for his money, and then makes it work for him.

## INFORMATION ON SOCIAL SECURITY More Farmers Are **Becoming Eligible**

W. SCOTT HAMLIN Manager, Lansing District

Social Security Administration Editor's Note-To help Farm Bureau members understand better the provisions of the Social in 1957.

Security Act, we have invited the Lansing District Office of the Social Security Administration to write articles on matters of current interest.

### Since Apr. 1, 1956, thousands of

self-employed farm operators and their workers in Michigan have become entitled to monthly benethe Social Security law.

Also included are the widows and minor children of many Michigan farmers and farm workers. In these cases, the breadwinner didn't live till he was 65, or death overtook his plans to retire in 1957 or future years.

Michigan farm families have established their stakes in the Social Security Program, giving Menominee county held a very them some protection against the

After January 1, 1957, many more farmers and workers are planning to retire and file their claims in one of the 21 district offices of the Social Security Adbuilding the membership and ministration located in Michigan. Many of these farmers plan to discontinue farming, sell out, or lease the land to tenants. Others

> Farmers age 72 or past know that the \$1,200 earnings limita-

tion does not apply to them. dling of their claims after January 1, 1957, we have several sug- you wish to use the material gestions for farmers. When you again, just stir the thinner in. . .

call on the representative of the and it is ready for use. district office have with you: 1-Your Social Security card. 2-Proof of your age. If available, your birth or baptismal

3-An extra copy of your 1956 the Social Security office can keep to accompany your claim. 4-Proof of the payment of

your 1956 self-employment tax on covered farm earnings. This can be your cancelled check or the ularly furrowed in full maturity copy of your postal or bank

money order receipt. When can you expect your lines that are heavy for their size. others to keep him up there.

Harry Lickfeld, 37, of Prescott, died and his wife, Dorothy, was check? Well, that depends upon the work loads in the Michigan seriously injured when their car collided with a truck in a snowstorm December 31.

> Mr. Lickfeld was a member of the executive committee of the board of directors of Ogemaw

County Farm Bureau. Mrs. Lickfeld is recovering at home. Other members of the family

age, Geraldine and Harriet. Since the accident neighbors

eau members have operated the farm. They prepared the dairy herd for sale. The Ogemaw County Farm Bu-

reau board of directors in expressing their sympathy made this statement, in which MFB **Storing Paint That** staff members should like to **Has Been Opened** 

"Members of Ogemaw County To store surplus paints that Farm Bureau and the Michigan have been opened, Michigan Farm Bureau lost a good friend State University recommends and worker in Harry Lickfeld. pouring a small amount of the Few people have left more thinner over the unused supply friends, more wonderful memories, and fine examples than Harry

Use turpentine or painter's left in this community. thinner for oil base materials. . "Harry served as director of lacquer thinner for lacquers. Ógemaw County Farm Bureau for or, special thinners for synthetic six years. In that time he was resin products. Use only enough chairman of the board two years, vice-chairman one year, and on Put the lid on the can. Drive. the executive board two years. He represented his county at many Be careful not to rock or shake meetings where his friendliness

the can. This will prevent the and good judgment made many film of thinner from mixing with friends at the state level. Since there is not enough air "Harry represented District 10

in the tightly sealed can, the film as a member of the state resoluof thinner cannot evaporate. It tions committee at the 34th will remain on top almost inde- annual meeting of the Michigan In order to facilitate the han- finitely and prevent the for- Farm Bureau, November 12-13, mation of a coating or skin. When 1953.

> "He was president of the board of education at Prescott where they are working to consolidate several districts and build a modern educational system. He was trustee for Richland township, a member of the volunteer and neatly. Southeast Asia has fire department at Prescott, substitute mail carrier out of Presoranges for more than 4,000 years. | cott, and worked for the Artifi-

January is a peak month of procial Breeders Ass'n. Mr. and Mrs. duction for tangerines, often on Lickfeld were active in starting the market through May. The the Young People of the Farm most widely produced variety, Bureau organization in Ogemaw the Dancy, is deep orange-red to county, and served as counsellors scarlet, surface bumpy and irregfor two years.

The higher a man climbs the A glossy, smooth peel usually denotes immaturity. Select tanger- more dependent he becomes on

## STATE OFFICIAL SAYS FARMERS May Deliver Own Produce in Car

DAN E. REED

Associate Legislative Counsel Use of an auto with passenger license plates for delivery of farm commodities by the producer has been given an official O. K.

Harold L. Harvey, director of Farm Bureau January 17, 1957: "As long as this gentleman was lature, which legalized the use of delivering eggs produced on his a vehicle with a farm commercial

reason for him to purchase commercial plates." The problem was raised by an County Farm Bureau member who was delivering eggs in the city of Muskegon. The eggs, produced on his own farm, were

being carried in a station wagon with a passenger car license, The Farm Bureau member was stopped by a State enforcement

official and told that he could not use a passenger car license when delivering eggs. Asked whether a farm com-

mercial license would be satisfactory, the officer said it would, but the vehicle could not then be used

for family transportation.

plate at considerable added cost.

The officer was wrong on two counts, as was confirmed by State Department representatives in a conference with Farm Bureau:

1. The alleged offense occurred the Enforcement Division of the on September 14, 1956. This was Michigan Department of State, more than a month after the efsaid in a letter to the Michigan fective date of a Farm Bureau

measure, passed by the 1956 Legisown farm there should be no license for the transportation of the farm family. The law went into operation on August 11, 1956.

2. The use of a passenger car incident affecting a Newaygo to deliver eggs or other farm produce does not require that the vehicle have a commercial license if the use is by a farmer who raises his own produce,

> Representing the Department of State in the conference were: Lee C. Richardson, director, and Frank D. Kelley, deputy director, of the Driver and Vehicle Services Division, and Harold L. Harvey, director of the Enforcement Division.

A man always tries to follow the straight and narrow when he shovels snow.

Many people are inclined to do As a result, the Farm Bureau good, but they keep putting it off member bought a full commercial until tomorrow.

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## Soil Conservation **Districts Elect**

At its annual meeting on Jan- Goodyear Award. Its chairman, Charles Gotthard, Farm Bureau uary 18-19, the Michigan Association of Soil Conservation Dis- leader of Wexford county, was tricts re-elected Ray Anderson of awarded a tour to the Goodyear

Manistee county, as president; farms in Arizona. Lloyd Reusink of Lenawee coun- A panel on water use, managety, vice-president; C. K. Colby ment and legislation was a feaof Shiawassee county, secretary, ture of the conference. and Mrs. Marie Shepard of Gen-

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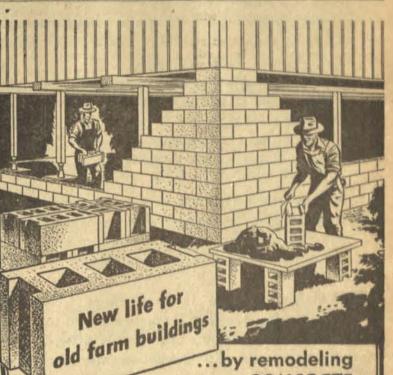
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Wexford County Soil Conser-

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esee county, treasurer. People who jump at conclusions Herb Van Aken of Eaton counspend much of their lives up in ty was given an award for out- the air.

standing service to conservation in Michigan. Mr. Van Aken has Many people pray for things also been active in national con- they wouldn't think of working servation work and in water for.



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## February 1, 1957 MICHIGAN FARM NEWS **Resolutions on Michigan Farm Bureau Affairs**

## **Ideas to Improve Our Organization**

These resolutions on "Our Farm Bureau" were adopted at the 37th annual meeting of the Michigan Farm Bureau at Michigan State University, November 8 and 9, 1956.

Membership and Program. We are proud of the fact that Farm Bureau policy is developed at the "grass roots" level by discussions held in our 1,584 Community groups and by resolutions passed at the annual meetings of our 66 County Farm Bureaus.

Whenever our right to speak for farmers is challenged, we are proud to point out that our membership of 67,154 member families is obtained on a voluntary basis and they believe in Farm Bureau enough to pay a \$10 membership fee. These fees are not obtained on a check-off method.

Groups other than farmers have many plans for agriculture that are not in keeping with our free enterprise philosophy. If we are to keep our free economic system, the farmer must be heard through his own organization.

Therefore, we implore all our members to contribute their best thinking to policy development and to inform themselves on the issues and problems facing agriculture, to the end that sound and fair solutions may be obtained.

We have attained recognition in the field of legislation and a voice at the conference table, and have been asked to contribute to the solution of national and international problems.

If we are to maintain this influential position, we must grow not only in numbers but in the determination to put our policies into action. Therefore, we urge that County Farm Bureaus plan aggressive membership campaigns to reach their goals and thereby play their part in reaching the state goal of 70,242 members.

Counties that contain industrial areas may need to carefully appraise their potential.

We believe that anyone who is | tempered to include these people interested enough to live on a in our organization.

farm, or produce farm products, even though he is not a full-time farmer, should be considered for membership.

motes our way of life, should be read:

"Whenever a member moves permanently to another state or country, his service benefits shall be terminated."

(2) Amend Article VIII Section 2, paragraph 2, by changing the second sentence to read:

"The director nominated by the Michigan Farm Bureau Young People shall be elected for a term of one year, and the director nominated by the Michigan Farm Bureau Women shall be elected or a term of two years.

(3) Amend Article VIII Section 4 by changing the words "Michigan Junior Farm Bureau" to "Michigan Farm Bureau Young People" wherever these words appear in said Article

(4) Amend Article XI by changing the words "Michigan Junior Farm Bureau" to "Michigan Farm Bureau Young People" wherever these words apppear in said Article. (The convention adopted these amendments).

Policy Development and Execution. To better represent a complete cross-section of agriculture, we must have the thinking of our members on issues and problems facing agriculture. The solution to many farm

problems has originated in a Community group, has been considered in County Farm Bureau annual meeting and has become a policy of our state or national organization through action of our voting delegates.

The success of the Farm Bureau legislative program depends to a great extent, on the support of the members as evidenced in their contacts with their legislators.

We urge each member to be informed on the policies of our state and national Farm Bureau organizations and to give active pport.

Community Farm Bureaus, We may be justly proud of our Community Discussion Group Program. Its value has been recog-

nized by other State Farm Bu-

Amendments to By-Laws pose, objectives and programs of (1) Amend article IV Section Farm Bureau. They encourage 7 by changing the title to read the "grass roots" thinking that is Our attitude toward part-time "Expulsion and Cancellation" and determining policies of our orfarmers, whose philosophy pro- by adding a second paargraph to ganization. They stimulate interest in community betterment and

OFFICERS of the State Ass'n of Soil Conservation Districts for

offered by these groups.

Our goal of a group for every 35 members can be achieved through active County Committees and the development of well planned and interesting programs.

roups deserve the active support f those benefiting by the services rendered through the groups.

### Let's Not Forget

We have adopted these resolutions as a program of work. Let's not forget them. - Harold T. Milett, Fowlerville, Livingston county.

Farm Bureau Women. We commend the Women's Committee of the Michigan Farm Bureau for the excellent work they are doreaus. We sincerely believe these ing in the field of public reladiscussion groups are the means tions, public health and internaby which our members tional understanding. To become acquainted with the pur- strengthen this work further:

> We urge all Community Group representatives to attend the Women's Committee in our county and state organizations.

president. Seated, left, Mrs. Ray Anderson, president of Ladies Auxiliary; Mrs. Marie Shepard, Ass'n.

> We also urge all Women's Committees to aid in the promotion of Farm Bureau Young People. especially in organizing new

Farm Bureau Young People. We realize that a strong Farm Bureau must constantly be developing new leaders. To do this, many counties have a Farm Bureau Young People's organization, dedicated to leadership

Many of these young people have continued their Farm Bureau work and have become present-day leaders in our county and state organizations.

We urge that every county conduct a thorough survey of potential Farm Bureau Young People members, and take the necessary action to interest these young people in becoming closer members of the Farm Bureau family.

Commodity Relations Program. Increased farm specialization continues at a rapid rate. This has resulted in many farmers marketing only one or two commodities, which means that each commodity is becoming of increasing

importance to the individual farner. This type of production means new approaches in marketing. There is a great-

er demand for cooperative

Farm Bureau, as a general farm organization, realizes it must lead the way in coordinating marketing programs and policies. We suggest an expanded commodity program and a closer re-

action.

#### ested in the current program of providing Farm Bureau speakers for service clubs.

We would urge those responsble for the success of this part of our program, on state and local levels, to use every available means to create a better understanding between producer and 11. He represents Farm Bureau Services, Inc., of Michigan. consumer.

Farm-City Week. We have long facturing and purchasing organirecognized the need for improved zation serving regional farm corural-urban understanding and operatives throughout the United welcome the designation by Con-States. It's sales last year were gress and our President of No-\$35,304,000, up nearly \$5,500,000 over 1955. Net savings were vember 16-22 as Farm-City Week. With Thanksgiving Day as its \$545,776, of which \$501,911 was limax, this week can focus the declared as patronage dividends to attention of the nation on the inregional cooperatives, payable in terdependence of agriculture, industry and labor and the importance of a wholesome rural com-Frozen Meats Keep

munity. We urge all Farm Bureau units to cooperate in making Farm-Swartz Creek, treasurer of State City Week an effective program of understanding.

We congratulate Kiwanis International on being selected to coordinate the observance for the that meat is more perishable aftsecond consecutive year. er it has been frozen, say home

Michigan Rural Health Conference. The Michigan Rural Health Conference held annually in our state is a most valuable and commendable effort. We encourage attendance and participation in these educational and forwardlooking sessions.

United Fund. Financial support for our voluntary health and welfare organizations can be most efficiently and economically collected and used through a budgeting review and a unified campaign. We endorse the "Give Once for All" program of United Fund and Community Chests.

Christian Rural Overseas Program. Through the Christian Overseas Program and Rural Heifer Project, Inc., much needed aid has been effectively provided for hopeless and hungry people in other lands.

We support the principles of this program which is putting quantities of our abundant farm production to good use.

Commendation of MFB Staff. We, the Board of Delegates to the Michigan Farm Bureau annual meeting, wish to express to the management and staff of the Michigan Farm Bureau our commendation for the capable, efficient, and effective work that has made our organization the voice of agriculture.

Reaffirmation. We reaffirm the resolutions adopted at previous annual meetings that are now in force except insofar as

### Yaeger Vice-Pres. of **United Cooperatives**

United Cooperative is a manu-

economists at Michigan State

Experiments show that frozen

meats may keep longer in a re-

frigerator than do fresh, unfrozen

Growth of spoilage bacteria

preferred stock.

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**After Thawing** 

cook meat the moment it has been thawed, if you keep it\*in a J. F. Yaeger was elected vicepresident and a member of the good refrigerator. The refrigeraexecutive committee of the board | tor temperature-for either fresh of directors of the United Coop- or frozen meat-should be beeratives, Inc., at the 26th annual tween 40 and 45 degrees. meeting held at Chicago, January

### **Choose Your**

er and thawed.

### **Corn Hybrid**

What is the best corn hybrid for you? If you haven't decided on a particular one for your farm, here's how to go about it, says farm crops specialist Elmer Rossman of Michigan State Uni-

You need not feel that you must

The first thing, says Rossman, is to obtain a copy of Michigan State's new extension bulletin F67, "Corn Hybrids Compared for 1957." It is now available at your county extension office.

Frozen meat that has been The three most important qualthawed can be kept in the refrigities to look for are yield, maturerator as safely as meat that has ity and lodging resistance. never been frozen. This throws new light on a widespread belief

**Replacement Cows** 

Best way to get good replacement cows in a dairy herd these days is to raise them. If you buy surplus stock from another herd owner, chances are you'll be getting some cows that are lower in production than the

rest. started at once on unfrozen meat placed in a refrigerator during tests by the U.S. Department of The millenium will have been

Agriculture. But it took 48 hours reached when we can have lastfor these bacteria to start grow- ting peace without fighting for it ing on meat taken from the freez- every generation.

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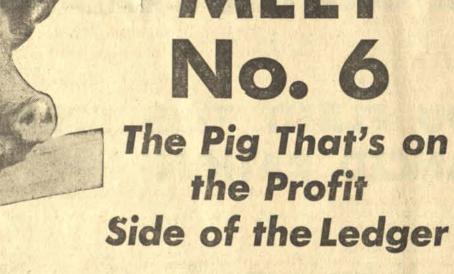
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Seed Oats

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1957 are: Standing, left to right: Ray Anderson, Chief, president; C. K. Colby, Corunna, secretary; Lloyd Ruesink, Adrian, vicemproved rural living. We urge County Farm Bureaus o make every effort to bring to each member the opportunities groups.

All Community Farm Bureau training.



The first five pigs in a litter pay the upkeep on the sow. Your profit on pigs begins with pig number six. However, old feeding methods didn't provide adequate nutrition during gestation, lactation and early growing periods. Too few pigs were being weaned . . . something was lacking in normal rations.

Your Farm Bureau Services Feed Department answered the problem with its line of hog and pig feeds. An outstanding example of this answer is Farm Bureau Porkmaker 35%, available from any Farm Bureau feed dealer in Michigan. You can depend on it for maximum pork production at economical cost. Use your homegrown grains for best results, at lower costs.



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#### lationship with present commcdity groups. In some instances, this may even mean the organization of new marketing groups. District

Citizenship. We urge Farm Bureau members to understand and appreciate the Bill of Rights. This document was written for the protection of all people and is not to be used as a shield for undemocratic purposes.

Good citizens are informed voters! The 1957 spring election will be important to all Michigan voters and may be of special significance to rural citizens. County Farm Bureau Citizenship Committees will need the active support of all Farm Bureau members if rural Michigan is to expect its rightful influence in

governmental affairs.

County Farm Bureau Resolutions. We request that a more complete report of action taken at County Farm Bureau annual meetings be made available for use by the Resolutions Committee of the Michigan Farm Bureau.

It would be of value to that State Committee to know what issues may have been considered and turned down as well as those which have been passed.

Hospitalization Costs. We are concerned about the continually increasing costs of Blue Cross at a time when farm incomes are down.

Reports indicate that cost increases are at least partially the result of shorter hours and higher prices and the added services required of hospitals. Unnecessary use of hospitals also is increasing the expense. We believe that the develop-

ment of lower cost convalescent sections in connection with hospitals can provide some econom-

We urge that the study of Blue FARM BUREAU SERVICES, Inc. Cross costs be continued and that Fertilizer Dep't 2-57 a further report be made to the P.O. Box 960, Lansing, Mich. 1957 Michigan Farm Bureau Resolutions Committee.

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	<b>Public Relations.</b> As rural and urban areas are becoming more closely integrated, we must strive	Bags.
	to promote better understanding between these two groups. Many	Name
	of our County Farm Bureau Pub- lic Relations Committees have done a commendable job.	Street No. & RFD
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they are modified or supplemented by the resolutions adopted at this annual meeting.

## **Resolutions** Committee

1-C. W. Randol, Galesburg. 2-Leo C. Wagner, Adrian. 3-Wilbur E. Smith, Erie. 4-Homer N. Cowles, Belding. 5-Mrs. Cyril Spike, Owosso. 6-Merle Hazelton, Memphis. 7-Andrew Kole, Fremont. 8-Melvon Kindig, Shepherd. 9-George H. Scheppelman, Bear Lake.

10-Edward K. Shanahan, Charlevoix.

11-Clayton Ford, Cornell. Mrs. George Crisenbery, Jackson, MFB Women. Mrs. Vernon Kingsbury, Alpena, MFB Women. Mrs. George Southworth, Elk-ton, MFB Women.

Douglas Haskill, Lapeer, MFB Young People. Thomas E. Hahn, Rodney, At

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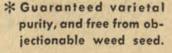
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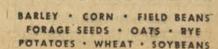
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## **For FB Members Having Blue Cross**

This is "check-up time" for . Farm Bureau members. Make stand the meaning of "service sure you are a paid-up member of benefits," too. This means that your Community Farm Bureau your Blue Cross coverage pro-Group so you will be eligible for vides the hospital services you the Michigan Blue Cross-Blue may need rather than limited Shield enrollment re-opening cash payments. And, figures show that you don't have to be in the coming soon. hospital very long to run up a bill

In fact, many hospital cases re-

vices and expensive drugs which

-instead of set cash payments-

In contrast, a system of limited

which puts no price tag-or dol-

lar limit—on the hospital care you

or your family may need, is your

Your Blue Cross coverage, units of government.

high-cost case.

If your Farm Bureau group of much more than \$500. offers Blue Cross-Blue Shield (nearly all of the 1,590 groups do) quire extensive laboratory serand you are on the 1957 membership roster as a paid-up member, can send the cost of care beyond you will be eligible to enroll for Blue Cross-Blue Shield coverage for yourself and your family.

Mark the date of the re-opening on your calendar-March 1 to March 15.

This is the only time this year was established to cover the highyou may enroll in Blue Cross- cost case, as well as the average tricts where the valuation per Blue Shield, or make certain case. changes in your coverage if you now enjoy the service benefits protection of Blue Cross-Blue Shield.

Nobody wants to go to the hos- doesn't do the job today, and ing issue during the coming pital, but Blue Cross statistics falls far short of covering the months, concerns the formula for show that if you belong to an average-size Farm Bureau Blue Cross' family of three or more persons, chances are better than 50-50 that one of you will need hospital care during 1957.

guarantee that you will have real The best answer to this problem is the service benefits pro- protection whenever you might need it. tection of Blue Cross-Blue Shield which has been chosen by half the families in Michigan as their bership-and mark the date of of the old 50-50 basis. Hence, security against today's high cost the Blue Cross-Blue Shield en- there should be a re-examination of hospital and medical care. It's important that you under- calendar!

## No. 1 Problem Is Rising Costs

#### (Continued from Page 1)

School Aid Formula. While school having less than 15 pupils. considering the state's money problems, some of which stem directly from our rapidly growany district having from 10 to 14 ing population, we can't overlook pupils, and a gross allowance of \$4,370 for a school with 15 to 34 the No. 1 financial headache, and that is the cost of current operpupils ation and capital outlay for the public school system. This is true mum millage requirements for despite the fact that the state is securing any state-aid is 5 mills, exceedingly generous in the and the minimum millage for full amount of the state collected revenue which is distributed to the mills.

local school districts each year. Just how the proceeds of the two-thirds of the state sales tax revenue and the primary school interest fund are to be divided up are all on the basis of state among the 3,491 school districts in equalized valuations. Michigan is one of the big battles which will be fought out in the Legislature during the coming quite obvious that a definite pur-

se behind some of the proposed

At the present time, the mini-

these matters should be safe- some directly in line with Farm, FARM BUREAU MUTUAL INSURANCE CO. guarded. Certainly state-aid Bureau recommendations.

should never be used as a club or For instance, S. 1004, intro-duced on the first day of the ses-sion by Senator Edward Hutchinbait to force or bribe the citizens of any district to become a part of any school district against their son, of Fennville, would permit

we should realize that the lights which would operate when the should realize that the lights which would operate when the should operate when the lights which would operate when the lights when the lig state-aid formula involves more lights which would operate when than just the distribution of some the brakes are applied.

dollars among the schools districts. It can be a very effective leverage to mold the pattern of other motorists that the vehicle school district organization into conformity with the preconceived This is directly in line with a people. ideas of those sponsoring various Farm Bureau recommendation.

The Farm Bureau delegates Another bill in line with a urged that the feature of deduct- Farm Bureau resolution, is H. 1, ible millage in the school-aid forby Representative Don R. Pears, mula be increased from 21/2 to 4 of Buchanan. This would promills. This would make possible hibit placing any oscillating or the raising of the gross allowance rotating lights, other than white feature of the formula to a higher lights, on or near a highway.

new package provides protection against a host of farming hazthe provisions of a plan that has level and would be to the great set cash limits—even for a com-paratively short stay. advantage of the more needy districts. That is, those having a A third bill introduced early ards ranging from fire, wind, perin the session, directly in harsonal liability and employer lia-However, the Blue Cross prin- relatively low assessed valuation mony with a Farm Bureau posibility to theft, lightning, vanciple of providing service benefits behind each school pupil. It tion, was H. 15, sponsored by Redalism, glass breakage and expresentative 'Allison Green, of would, of course, reduce the state-Kingston. It would classify a peraid to those more prosperous disson keeping 50 or more hives of bees as a farmer. pupil is higher than the average.

A fourth proposal which would Highway Funds. Another major cash payments for hospital ser- money battle which is, thus far, carry out a Farm Bureau recommendation is H. 19, sponsored vices, which might have covered away in the background and ointly by eight Representatives. the average case five years ago, which will undoubtedly be a lead-It would increase the monthly license fee charged for a trailer in a trailer coach park from \$2.50 to distributing highway revenues \$3. The additional 50c would go among the three road building to the local school district. The schools receive \$1.50 per month out of the present \$2.50 rate. The Farm Bureau delegates last

November called attention to the Regarding this matter, the velopment in farm protection,' fact that the new federal aid Farm Bureau delegates concluded said Nile L. Vermillion, manager highway program provides for that the \$1.50 per month now of the Farm Bureau Mutual Incharged "does not begin to cover surance Company the operating cost of educating the children that come from trailer camps. We urge the Legislature to amend this act to correct this situation so that educational costs may be spread more equit- knit package program. ably.

ubstantially increased."

## The present formula provides

cities.

scheme

The much discussed bill to establish a state milk marketing control law was introduced on January 31 by Senator Bert J. Storey, of Belding, chairman of

culture. This is S. 1067 and is said to be the ninth revision of the proposal sponsored by the participation in state-aid is 6½ Michigan Dairy Farmers Federation. It is anticipated that one

Proposals being advocated or more other bills on this subwould raise the minimum millage ject will be offered. There is to 6 and the millage for full every indication that this will participation to 8. These figures prove to be very controversial legislation.

One Room Schools. It appears

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The new idea makes available to farm operators the same kind

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These would be installed on the purchase "package" insurance economics that mean real savtops of the cars and would inform protection similar to the "home- ings. We expect that our Farm ing objects, from the weight of of the paper, we'd appreciate a owner policies" which have won "Protection Package" will win ice, snow or sleet, collapse, land- postcard telling us the name and was about to stop at a mail box. widespread popularity among city rapid acceptance throughout our slide, leakage or overflow or address we should use, and the membership.'

> vailable through the protection damage to electrical appliances Farm News, PO Box 960, Lans-A farm Protection Package, an entirely new approach to the package is a long one. Among by artificially generated electric- ing, Mich. farmer's problem of insuring his them for example, is provision ity, smoke damage, personal for living expenses which may medical expense and death of confront a policy-holder if he livestock on a highway. farm and personal property, has been developed by Farm Bureau

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must rent another residence in If You Should Get by fire or other hazards covered Two Copies of News by the policy. The cost of re- It happens sometimes. For exmoving debris in case of such ample, James Spencer and J. C. damage also is covered. Spencer of Lapeer, R. 2, may or Other hazards provided for in may not be the same person. If

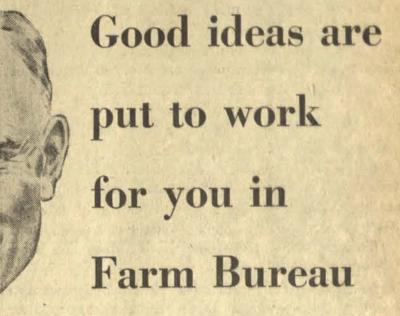
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The list of all the benefits a- glass breakage, freezing of pipes, tinued. Thank you. Michigan

Tip to motorists: Limit your speed---not your chances to live.

February 1, 1957

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## Refund of tax on gasoline used on farm averages \$91.28 yearly

Farm Bureau was a leader in getting state and federal gas tax refunds for farmers on gasoline used on the farm and for other off-the-highway purposes.

This check illustrates another benefit to farmers from their membership in the Farm Bureau:

DATE 1956 \$ 91 -	Farmers Sanings	00-000
save the average Michigan i former annually—	LANSING, MICH. Jan. 1 to Dec. 31	1056
State Gas Tax @ 6¢ per gal. \$60.85	PAY TO THE Mr. Farmer	\$ 9128
Federal Gas Tax @ 3¢ per gal. \$30.43	Minety - One Dollars and 700-	DOLLARS
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Will you invite a farm family to join Farm Bureauperhaps for the same reasons you did? Most people became members because some friend invited them. New memberships are being taken now for 1957. (Application below.)

the highway revenues, and that the portion allocated to counties for primary and local roads be

Milk Marketing Bill. a gross allowance of \$2,850 for

the Senate Committee on Agri-

All Farm Bureau members are back page of this issue of the

matching 90% by the federal government and 10% by the state Check your Farm Bureau mem- on the interstate system, instead rollment re-opening on your of the distribution of road funds between the state, counties and The Farm Bureau resolution

concluded with these words:

"We urge that the present Motor Vehicle Highway Fund and the Highway Construction Fund be consolidated and that one formula be adopted for apportioning

year ago, but which was not enbeing sponsored by Represent- providing that the display and atives Harry T. Emmons, of Byron Center, and Glenn Huns-

used by farmers for their own

than 5,500 population.

## **County Farm Bureau** Secretaries

Following are the names and addresses of County urged to read the article on the Farm Bureau secretaries, to whom new membership Michigan Farm News and to at- applications and Farm Bureau dues for 1957 may be

A fifth bill which covers a matter for which we worked a

of-way. This would apply to both state highways and county berger, of Grand Rapids. It would roads. permit farmers' mutual insurance companies to insure property

Many of the other pending bills would directly or indirectly af-

storage in a village or city of less fect Farm Bureau folks and other rural citizens. During this session, let's follow

Another bill, in line with developments closely and not be Farm Bureau policy, is S. 1048, introduced by Haskell L. Nichols, of Jackson. It would regulate about the pending proposals.

not thoroughly agreed on all the elimination of the one-room Group, where this matter will be details which they would like to rural schools. The Farm Bureau see written into the new school- delegates last November said, in aid formula. However, most of this connection:

tend your February meeting of The professional educators are changes is that of speeding up your Community Farm Bureau discussed.

Among over 100 bills and prothe plans being proposed have "We insist that the rights of the posed constitutional amendments much in common. They would people in all districts to come to which have been introduced thus give no aid to a one-teacher their own conclusions regarding far during the current session are

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# Proposed: A Milk Marketing Act for Michigan"

## **Community Farm Bureau Discussion Topic for February**

Background Material for Program in February by 1590 Community Farm Bureau Discussion Groups tions, led to the demand for gov-

DONALD D. KINSEY Coordinator of Education and Research **Important Preliminary Statements** 

1. Our discussion topic for February has been changed. The delegates at November state convention asked that we discuss the proposed Michigan Milk Marketing Bill.

Since this matter is to come before the Senate in Lansing during February, discussion of the matter must start now. The change in topic has been approved by the State Topic Committee.

2. Farm Bureau has no established position with regard to this matter. If one is to be determined, the sentiment of the members must be known. And the subject is a very controversial one, to be sure.

3. It would be impossible to include all information gathered in an article of this extent. Both sides must be discussed. So considerable added information is being sent to the discussion leaders.

4. The reader must remember that the viewpoints and arguments presented here are not necessarily those of the writer nor the Farm Bureau. They have been gathered from persons who favor and oppose passage of the bill.

5. Whether you are a dairy farmer or not, it concerns you. (A) You use milk. (B) The interests of all farmers should be alive to problems in other fields of agriculture. (C) Future state action could possibly dairy farmers compare unfavortouch on your own field of production.

## **Background Facts**

1. Milk has some special marketing problems. It is perishable. It must be clean and sani-tary to be sold to the public. It ing powers by the dairy farmers' is important to human health cooperative organizations. Dairy and vital to infants and children. Since it is perishable, special these gains to themselves unless regulations are needed to place pressure is used to force a reasonit on the market for fluid use.

2. Demand for fluid milk does not equal the seasonal changes in ducer fails to net him a reaproduction. enough cows to supply public out of balance, unrest often ocneeds when production is low. curs, resulting in producer resist-When the cows hit their peak of ance, sometimes in strikes and production, surpluses develop. violence. You can't shut off a cow as you would a faucet.

ufactured products. Manufacturin manufacturing.

(perhaps out of state) undercut competition with other food com- make unreasonable demands on farmer swarmed under in the the fluid price to consumers and modifies glamorized by expen- farmers to install new and expen- scrimmage. take away customers from the sive advertising, "Our officers and directors are whim. Also, when savings are strike-but in this case he would cooperative market that must

difficult matter to control. 10. These, and other condiernment controls over milk mar-

milk marketing act. keting in the early 1930s. Federal Marketing Orders were establishshould recognize the significant ed. Later, state control laws be- long and short run economic facgan to take their places. At one tors affecting supply and demand er to set their own milk prices. time 28 states had state milk con- and protect the industry from de- Even organizations of dairy trol acts. Only 17 states have kept them. Some were repealed, which are peculiar to the milk tion. some declared unconstitutional, and some allowed to expire. ernment regulation. Such comp-

etition causes violent and un-11. The proposed Michigan sound price fluctuations which Milk Marketing Bill would place draw milk into abnormal distrithe administration of the law bution patterns." within the Department of Agri-

Those favoring the bill do not culture. Minimum prices would consider it likely that state milk be established to producers and marketing orders will take over for wholesale and retail sales of the functions normally performed fluid milk and cream packages. by dairy farmers' cooperatives. Manufactured milk prices would Prices established by the order vould be minimum prices. Bar-

Further features of the Bill are gaining would still be possible for ncluded in the information to a premium above the established the discussion leaders. minimum price - - and probably sometimes necessary. Also, mar-**Arguments in Favor** 

of the Bill The stability and security of their establishment or terminathe whole milk industry has been tion. Farmer information would threatened by violent disturb- be needed at the hearings. Train-

ances, including strikes by pro- ed people would be necessary to ducers, and dangerous pricing present this information. practices by milk distributors.

Michigan Dairy Farmers Federation has passed a resolution declaring that:

not be controlled.

"Falling milk prices to farmers the same time that city incomes ments, etc. were rising . . . In Michigan the incomes of many of our capable ably with the incomes of their industrially employed neighbors.

"Low dairy income is contagious, undermining the success of ening the economic well-being of entire rural trading areas.

"Price negotiation by violence is not good for the dairy industry. In addition to interruptions of supply, producers leaving the business due to low prices constitute a threat to the future supply of high quality milk.

"Competition between milk disributors, super-markets and independent stores has resulted in

price wars in every section of the This has dislocated the state orderly marketing of milk. It has earned discounts, gifts of products, money equipment and servces and the extension of credit

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give the blend price. This is a hereby authorized and directed made by bulk deliveries, the cohave the forces of law against to do all in their power to urge operatives can see to it that such him. the legislature to pass and the benefits are passed along to the Governor to sign and facilitate the farmers who are bearing this exto more drastic state control of

sive equipment at their own

effectiveness of this needed state pense. Yes, cooperatives would still be important with the Milk "Pricing under such regulations Marketing Act in force. It is well known that individual milk producers have no pow-

state regulation seems the only way to accomplish this.

**Arguments Against** The Bill

There are three main arguments given by those who oppose passage of the bill.

1. A state milk marketing act is another instance of surrendering to government the control Where do we stop, short of comketing orders would call for expert and organized counsel at all the farmer's business funcions?

There is no guarantee that the state can do a better job of regulating the market than could be

zations, supported by laws that industry itself.

dairy farmers a small minority to

be "like one crying in the wilderness

y are interested in cheap food. Price fixing by the administrator under overwhelming public pressure would make the whole mat-

Without the cooperatives the

structive competitive rivalries farmers run into strong opposibusiness in the absence of gov- practices that would deprive producers of their reasonable re-

turns in business are needed. And

act now to make the law administered by a state milk commission, appointed by the governor Such a move would put the whole Control over marketing program under the control of any political group in power. 2. If we want laws to control

unfair trade practices that harm the industry why don't we pass such laws without putting the whole industry under the yoke of state control? Why don't we keep our own rights and responsibilities to regulate our business

His only recourse would be to

present. These people wanted to

operations?

When we fix retail prices on milk, are we acting to our own established no position on the

advantage? Many consumers buy bill. That still remains to be large quantities of milk because done. Resolutions in the past they can get it at a discount and have favored a free competitive over a private business program. carry it home. If we take away enterprise system as being necestheir price advantage, they will sary to our American way of life. plete control by government over reduce the amount of milk they They have opposed regulations use. This loss of sales would hit that would fix prices at the retail level-such as "fair trade" the price rates for our milk.

3. In many instances state milk control laws have been ineffective because a state cannot control milk coming out of state.

This is interstate commerce. Producers are within reach over The present bill can be a wedge state borders who get only manufacturing prices. They welcome a milk marketing. During a recent chance to sell at a better price. review of the proposed bill there What is to stop a distributor were politically partisan groups

And if they did much of it

they would surely lower the local

not say how this would be con-

trolled. It has been a source of

trouble in other states with such

**Farm Bureau Position** 

Farm Bureau delegates have

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laws.

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Bureau Mutual Insurance Company of Michigan, a corpor-

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After studying the problem, from setting up collecting plants and discussing it from both sides, just over the boundary and please record the number of bringing the milk to compete with local milk? In fact, with a people in your group who favor premium retail price in effect, the passage of a Michigan Milk they would have a good motive Marketing Act; and the number for doing just this. who oppose its passage.

-Yes. Individual members, -No. Individual members. blend price. The present bill does

We ought to examine pretty

closely what we have both to

gain and to lose by going over to

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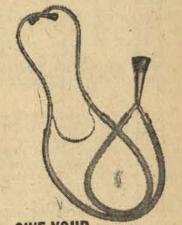
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distributors often seek to keep able distribution of the benefits.

There must be sonable income and earnings get

3. Surpluses at peak produc- are entitled to a higher price to tion times must be put into man- compensate them for installing equipment. expensive sanitary ing costs are higher than fluid Their herds must also be large milk processing. So, less can be enough to supply the market at paid for milk that has to be used peak demand periods. Thus their investment is high.

Dairy Association. Whether the advantages of increased sales and better price are many industries serving the passed along to the producer has farmer, and in many cases threat-

7. When the return to the pro-

producers in a fluid milk market resulted in secret rebates, unbeyond reasonable standards. "These costs siphoned off money logically belonging to farmers and marketing agencies,





of destructive competition. And, in order to bargain at all, the farmer's cooperative must continue to control supplies and

facilities for handling milk. Only in this way can member pro ducers be guaranteed a market for all the milk they produce and an income from all of it.

dairy distributors can easily

accomplished by private organideveloping milk classification do not surrender control of the Under state control, the farmer must abide by government decisions, like them or not. With

urban groups seeking political control, where would the dairy farmer end up? His voice would

He would be out-voted by the consumer. And consumers usual-

ter a political football, with the

1957, beginning at 1:30 p.m. for the following purposes: 1-To receive reports from officers and management. 2-To elect directors. 3-To consider such other matters as may properly come before the meeting.

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4. To keep an adequate supply of milk, some means is needyear. The classing of milk according to use, and a "blend pricing" program help to spread the income for milk over the seasons. Pool pricing helps to equalize the pricing among farmers in a milkshed area.

5. Problems develop. If prices are good, milk is shipped into the area. New producers jump into the game. Farmers add more cows. The next peak period finds added surpluses, and the blend price drops to all producers.

6. The best fluid price to the producer is closely linked to getting the best price at the consumer level. And the more fluid milk consumed by the public, the better the prospects for a good price on fluid milk all along the line. With this in mind, farmers have paid to advertise milk and dairy products through the American

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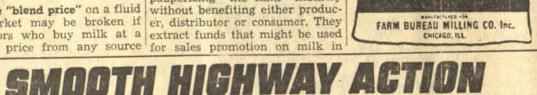
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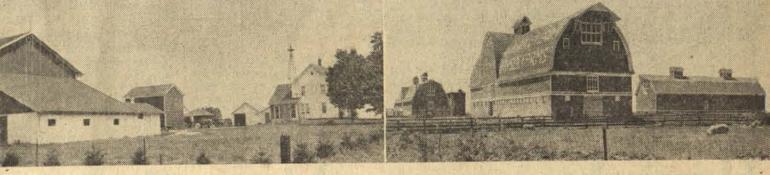


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