Michigan Farm News East Lansing, Mich

Vol. 35, No. 3

MARCH 1, 1957

You're Invited to Enroll a Member in March!

EDITORIAL

Making Use of Opportunities

CLARK L. BRODY Counsel for Public Affairs for Michigan Farm Bureau

The census shows that in recent years up to 76,000 Michigan farmers have become engaged in part time or full time off-the-farm employment.

Their purpose has been to increase income by making use of the opportunities available.

Rapid changes affecting agriculture have required commercial farmers to greatly enlarge their scale of operations. This has been occasioned by the increased capital due to mechanization, to rising costs, and changed relationships.

It is common knowledge that the family farm has grown larger as mechanical power and equipment have replaced human labor and reduced the number of people employed in agriculture.

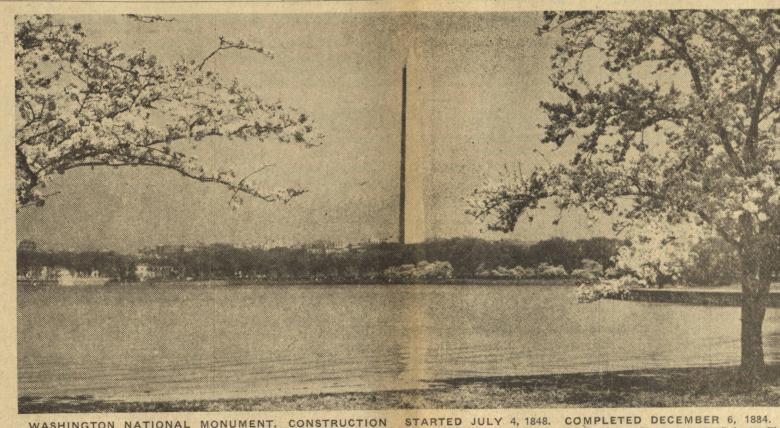
This revolution has posed a difficult problem for both large and small farmers.

The commercial farmer has been endeavoring to meet it by working more acres, by purchasing large scale, costly equipment, and other efforts to increase his output. Some find time for off-the-farm employment.

Many operators of farm units too small for economical production have supplemented farm income by off-the-farm employment. The problem of readjustment for the small farmer has been difficult.

Many suggestions have been made for remedying the plight of the small farm operator who has not found it practical to acquire additional capital necessary to enlarge his operations and achieve a satisfactory net farm income and standard of living from agriculture alone.

The answer for some is to seek part time offthe-farm employment, or change completely to some other vocation. Others need long-time payment loans to enlarge their farm operations. Some can be helped best by training for off-the-farm



WASHINGTON NATIONAL

LEGISLATIVE PROBLEM - WHO'S GOING TO PAY FOR WHAT? Governor Urges New Taxes, Lawmakers Look Elsewhere

STANLEY M. POWELL Legislative Counsel for Michigan Farm Bureau

The Michigan Legislature is one month closer to final adjournment. Just what solution will eventually Monument was started in 1848 be reached regarding major problems is still shrouded in mystery.

Governor Williams sent his tax recommendations to had been built. By that time the

the Legislature. No one was surprised. He urged en-Lansng has called for retirement actment of a corporation profits tax, some adjustment of the business activities tax, and elimination of the corporion franchise tax. According to estimates by Governor Williams, this Army Corps of Engineers at government expense. It was completed Dec. 6, 1884, dedicated Class AAA preferred stock issued ation franchise tax.

new program would produce about \$76,000,000 of new Feb. 21, 1885, and opened to the with the member's name, complete address, and sig-

Washington Monument **36 Years in Building**

Building of the Washington Financing was through popular subscriptions. some \$300,000 had been subscrib monument was also the subjec of bitter arguments. Contributions ceased and the work stopped. In 1878 Congress authorized completion of the monument by the

What Illinois Did Michigan Can Do

Join Farm Bureau's 70,000 Club by Using Application on Page 7 to Enroll Another Member by March 17 EINAR E. UNGREN Editor of Michigan Farm News

.... onthly

A few years ago the Farm Bureau in Illinois had a membership goal of 200,000. They got up to 197,000. At that point the Illinois Farm Bureau invited every member to help enroll the remaining 3,000 and thereby join a ''200,000 Club.'

The Illinois membership enrolled more than 5,000 new members in one week. What they did we can do.

Michigan Farm Bureau needs 4,000 members to make its 1957 goal of 70,242 families. We have 66,281 now, including 5,132 new members.

Will you take the Membership Application in the advertisement on page 7 and use it to enroll another member the week of March 11-17?

By doing that you become a member of the Michigan Farm Bureau's "70,000 Club." All the information you need is printed on page 7.

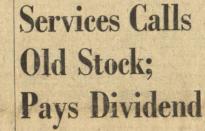
People join Farm Bureau because SOMEONE IN-VITES THEM. We've asked many members what really moved them to join. The reason given more than any other has been "I was invited."

How kind people are to invite us to share good things in life. It would be a dull world if they didn't. So we are knocking on the doors of 66,281 Farm Bu-Six years later reau homes. We are asking you and every member:

> "Will you please use the Membership Application in this paper to invite some friend to membership in the Michigan Farm Bureau?" Thank you.

When you have enrolled another member, please:

1-Check the application to see that it is complete



Farm Bureau Services, Inc., of \$144,000 of co-operative patronage dividend stock. This is a in 1944 on 1943 business. Farmers Cooperative ass'n distributors are the principal holders of the stock.

This is fifth recall of patronage

Would Keep

14 Pct. Wheat

Moisture Rule

Clare Hoffman February 20.

Michigan.

Eight of Michigan's outstate

stock

vocations

The Michigan Farm Bureau has recognized the need of attention to these difficult adjustments. In the policy established by 672 delegates at the 37th annual meeting in November, 1956, they said:

"The Michigan Farm Bureau shall also devote its efforts to helping the small and part time farmer expand his operations, or facilitate his training and opportunities for offthe-farm employment as required.

"We shall encourage location of industries in rural areas where needed and desirable and will further vocational training in industrial subjects.

"We support expansion of agricultural extension to assist under-employed rural residents.

"The perpetuation and advancement of the family type of agriculture are dependent upon the initiative, industry, and resourcefulness of farm people. The answer does not lie in subsidies and control that limit the opportunity of enterprising farmers.

"It is the aim of all Farm Bureau programs to create increasing opportunity for the men, women and young people on Michigan farms to achieve their greatest possibilities.

In this it will be observed that the delegates from 66 County Farm Bureaus implied their opposition to the policy occasionally suggested that the government keep most or all farmers on the land through subsidies. Of course, subsidies mean controls.

The great majority of small farmers do not want to depend upon the government for their livelihood.

Most of the families on farms too small for economical operation are good rural citizens who will not willingly become wards of the government. No amount of government subsidy could bring them prosperity or a satisfactory standard of living.

Difficult adjustments cannot be achieved through attempts to limit further progress in farm mechanization or stopping new techniques in agriculture. They must be met by constructive programs and opportunities which enable all farm families to help themselves.

gan included Farm Bureau in

Dean M. Pridgeon No. 1 Young Farmer

Dean M. Pridgeon, 35, of and third places. Both are mem-Montgomery, Branch County, bers of Farm Bureau. Bruce Rusformer president of Branch sell, 25, of Fowlerville, Living-County Farm Bureau, was named ston county, was fourth. 18 of 19 first of Michigan's Outstanding young farmers nominated as out-Michigan Junior Chamber of standing young farmers of Michi-Commerce.

Charles E. Payne, 33, of Galien, their organization memberships. heavy burden to be obliging.

The Services is distributing revenue, which would be just sufficient to balance the also this month \$253,000 of pabudget which the Governor has recommended. tronage dividend stock declared

by the board of directors on busi-In discussing possible sources of new revenue, the ness done with Farm Bureau Services during the year ending Governor mentioned that a use tax on machinery and August 31, 1956. The dividends are equipment used in agricultural production and industrial paid to stockholder patrons of Farm Bureau Services, mainly processing would yield an estimated \$35 million annualfarmers cooperative ass'n dis ly. Apparently, from the agricultural point of view, tributors.

Farm Bureau Services has a 13- only farm machinery was considered in this connection. March 19-20 year rotation plan for the redemption in cash of patronage divi

If the sales tax exemption on all other farm production supplies were to be eliminated, the amount of increased dends declared in other years. revenue involved would be a great deal more. The Governor did not advocate these changes.

> He pointed out that taxing agricultural and industrial Roundup will hear state and naequipment and machinery, which are now exempt from the sales tax, would be reflected in production costs and State University economists in prices of consumer goods. He stressed that such a Kellogg Center at MSU. Arrange tax "would pyramid the burden, so that when the con- ments have been made to provide sumer purchased the finished goods he would be paying, ment Committees with backin effect, an increased sales tax."

> > bers.

Congressmen met with Michigan Farm Bureau representatives to the Legislature are strongly opconsider proposed changes in posed to any new state tax. They wheat grades and standards now insist that they favor trimming under consideration by the U.S. the budget to bring it down to an Dept. of Agriculture. The meetamount which could be financed ing was held in the office of Rep. from existing tax sources. Whether or not that is practical, or at-

C. L. Brody and Dan E. Reed tainable, remains to be seen. Meanwhile, there is strong presented Farm Bureau objections to lowering the maximum pressure for putting some of the moisture allowance from 14% to load directly on those who use 13.5% on soft winter wheat state facilities. For instance, there grown in humid areas, including is a bill pending to require an year will be another major issue. annual license for a car using a state park, or for a small single

This is in line with recommenadmission charge for those who duced. dations of the American Farm prefer that method of payment. Bureau Federation, supporting This would be a means of raising the lower moisture standards for funds for maintenance and for wheat from dry areas while purchase of additional state park recognizing "the moisture probareas. It is in line with a resolulem that exists in the eastern tion adopted by the Farm Bureau iversities, and their support. wheat area.' delegates at the last state conven-

The Michigan Congressmen tion.

named Rep. Alvin Bentley to meet with representatives of the agitation for increasing the tui-USDA February 21. Bentley and tion at state-supported colleges Sen. Charles Potter asked the Department to maintain the presize municipalities to levy certain

Berrien County; Clarence C. ent moisture standard on humid Reuss, 32, of Owosso, Shiawassee area wheat. county, were honored for second Farm Bureau is supporting enda. We all know that money

improvements to help put U.S. wheat exports in a better competitive quality position on the government is most frequently share of state-aid, a district partnerships owned over 1 billion squandered. world market.

Such progress as is being made Many people consider it needs of state institutions and

Committees Meet at MSU

DAN E. REED Asso. Legislative Counsel, MFB

County Farm Bureau resolutions committee members attending the 1957 Resolutions onal issues discussed by officials government and Michigan

The meeting is March 19-20 at members of the Policy Develop ground information on which to base the recommendations which Many influential members of agencies and squeezing any they will present at County Farm 'water" out of the proposed bud- Bureau annual meetings in Octoget has been going on behind the ber.

Over 300 Farm Bureau memscenes. The Senate Committee on Committee on Ways and Means resolutions committees. The total have been working diligently. is higher this year, with commit- the manufacturer has been under point for new equipment, repair but any conclusions which they tees active in the Upper Peninmay have reached are known sula counties of Delta, Menoonly to these committee mem- minee, Chippewa and Baraga.

The committees use the recommendations from Community School Aid. The controversial Farm Bureau Groups, plus information they have secured from available sources in developing the proposed resolutions to be considered by the County Farm Bureau membership.

Michigan Farm Bureau President Ward Hodge has urged that all committees be represented at the March Resolutions Roundup and that members use every opportunity to secure information on which to base their proposals.

He advocated that for next was owned by individuals, inspecific local taxes with refer- year the gross allowance be peg- cluding partnerships, according to

most of the grades and standards raised locally is most wisely the deductible millage be raised remaining one-eighth was owned spent. That which is collected and from 21/2 to 23/4 mills. He also by corporations and government returned by some larger unit of proposed that, to secure its full agencies. Individuals including

> state equalized valuation. The acres. The remaining 86 million to date on studying the actual corresponding figure in the pres- acres of farmland were owned by various government agencies.

nature

2-Be sure that your name and date appears somewhere on the application. (For 70,000 Club identification.)

3-Send the application and \$10 to your County Farm Bureau Secretary listed on page 7.

Cockshutt Takes **Over** in Michigan

Effective February 1, Cockshutt Farm Equipment, Inc., of Bellevue, Ohio, took over the farm equipment distribution program that has been carried on by Farm Bureau Services, Inc., for the past 20 years.

The announcement was made jointly by J. F. Yaeger, executive secretary of Farm Bureau Services, and George A. Uhlmeyer, Cockshutt vice-president and general manager of its U.S.A. manufacturing plant at Bellevue, Ohio.

Speaking to the Michigan deal- ships throughout the state. er organization at East Lansing Cockshutt is negotiating for the early in February, Mr. Uhlmeyer construction of a new building on Appropriations and the House bers annually serve on county and Mr. Yaeger said that transfer a main highway at the edge of of the distribution operation to Lansing. It will be a transfer

parts, and will provide other services for dealers in Michigan.

Ellsworth Wilson is in charge

Until the new Cockshutt build-

Farm Bureau Services has dis-

tributed about \$20,000,000 of

Cockshutt tractors and other farm

equipment in Michigan under Co-

FB Services is continuing its

Appliance Department which dis-

ributes deep freezers, refrigera-

Cockshutt Farm Equipment

equipment sold throughout the

op and Cockshutt labels.

tors, milk coolers, etc.



GEORGE A. UHLMEYER

consideration since the Farm Bureau Services farm machinery Inc., is in its 118th year as a Canwarehouse was destroyed by fire adian manufacturer of farm in December, 1955.

world, Mr. Uhlmeyer as general Mr. Uhlmeyer said that Cock- manager of the Bellevue, Ohio shutt is deeply interested in plant is responsible for all mandeveloping a broad coverage of ufacturing, sales and distribution Michigan through strong dealer- activities in the United States.

Seven-eighths of the land in

the current year pay out in full Of All Farm Lands

school-aid formula bill for next The first proposal on this subject, H. 230, has now been intro-

The Governor delivered a special message on education, which gives his thinking on this and all other phases of problems relative to public schools, colleges and un-

He urged the lawmakers to appropriate from the state's general fund whatever amount would be There has been considerable

and universities. It is possible on the basis of the \$190 per pupil that the Legislature may author- gross allowance.

(Continued on Page 7)

needed to make the formula for

Individuals Own 7/8

farms in the United States in 1954

ged at \$195 per pupil and that the Bureau of the Census. The

would have to raise 8 mills on its acres and corporations 57 million

COUNTY RESOLUTIONS

TWO

March 1, 1957

Michigan Farm News

Established January 12, 1923

Entered as second - class matter January 12, 1923, at the postoffice at Charlotte, Michigan, under the Act of March 3, 1879.

Published monthly, first day, by Michigan Farm Bureau at its pub-lication office at 114 E. Lovett St., Charlotte, Michigan.

Editorial and general offices, 4000 North Grand River Ave., Lansing, Michigan. Post Office Box 960, Tele-phone Lansing IVanhoe 7-5911 Ext. 271.

Send notices on Form 3578 and undeliverable copies returned under Form 3578 to Michigan Farm News editiorial office, P. O. Box 960, Lan-sing, Michigan.

Einar E. UngrenEditor

Subscription: 40 cents a year Limited to Farm Bureau Members. Vol. 35 March 1, 1957 No. 3

LETSTALK IT OVER

HELPGET BETTER

TIM

ARM BUREAU.

munity betterment and improved the Michigan Farm Bureau.

groups deserve the active support Farm Bureau, the weakest link

vices rendered through the formed on the activites Farm

Today we have 1602 Communi- is especially true at this time of

ty Farm Bureaus in Michigan. the year when our Legislature is

reached our goal.

this year in Michigan.

POLICIES

They stimulate interest in com-+-

"We urge County Farm Bu-

reaus to make every effort to

bring to each member the oppor-

tunities 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 pro-

of those benefiting by the ser-

are having a considerable effect

"All Community Farm Bureau

UNDERSTANDING OF

rural living."

grams.

groups.



MICHIGAN FARM NEWS

PURPOSE OF FARM BUREAU

Representing WOMEN OF FARM BUREAU Mrs. Carlton Ball.....Albion, R-1 The purpose of this Associa-

Community Farm

Bureaus

CLARE L. McGHAN

Coordinator of Community Farm Bureaus for MFB

Farm Bureau annual meeting on Community Farm Bureau said:

Program. Its value has been recognized by other State Farm Bu-

reaus. We sincerely believe these discussion groups are the means

by which our members become acquainted with the purpose, ob-

jectives and programs of Farm Bureau. They encourage the "grass

roots" thinking that is determining policies of our organization.

Until the time comes when all Bureau to keep informed on

Farm Bureau members are par- legislative activities as well as

ticipating in the Farm Bureau give his ideas to the very vital

through a Community Farm Bu- questions that are being discussed

is today.

reau program, we will not have in the discussion topic.

The resolution passed by the delegates at the 1956 Michigan

"We may be justly proud of our Community Discussion Group

tion shall be the advancement of our members' interests edu-cationally, legislatively, and economically. Representing FARM BUREAU YOUNG PEOPLE Richard ArnoldPlainwell, R-1

Michigan Farm Bureau

PresidentW. G. Hodge, Snover

V.-Pres.Blaque Knirk, Quincy

Exec. Sec'yJ. F. Yaeger, Lansing

DISTRICT OFFICERS

1-Max K. Hood.....Paw Paw, R-1 2-Blaque Knirk.....Quincy, R-1 3-Allen F. Rush...Lake Orion, R-1

4-Elton R. Smith...Caledonia, R-1 5-Dale Dunckel...Williamston, R-1 6-Ward A. Hodge.....Snover, R-1 7-Thomas Hahn......Rodney, R-1 8-Kenneth Johnson...Freeland, R-2 9-Ben A DeRmiter McBain, R-1

10-A. A. Brindley....W. Branch, R-3

DIRECTORS AT LARGE

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

tending his Community Farm

-Edmund Sager.....Stephenson



] Highway Program

The highway program currently is blazoned by the press And I am glad to read it there. It has to come, I guess. Four lanes are needed up the state to serve our travel needs, To reach and cross the proud Straits bridge at ever faster speeds. Six busy lanes will scarce suffice to bear Detroit's traffic To all our water wonderland, so lush and geographic.

Thousands of miles of county roads are needing every week That ceaseless round of maintenance work that keeps the surface sleek.

The sinkholes of a former year must not be skirted round But excavated straight across and back-filled, hard and sound. Long easy curves are needed now, for hidden danger lurks In winding roads (and break-neck speed and drivers who are jerks).

Millions and millions will be spent (and this should rightly be), To expedite a steady flow of traffic, fast and free. To speed the stream of cargo fleets and cars and trucks and cars Along our highways and our streets, our roads and boulevards. For in this teeming traffic flows the lifeblood of our State, The trade that builds a commonwealth and makes a nation great.

One feature I cannot condone, however. I protest The swelling toll of traffic deaths, and if I may suggest: A social system such as ours, with sacred personal rights Sometimes allows these fetishes to reach transcendent heights The Right to Speed, it seems to me, has fled the realm of reason, Costing us more in human life with each successive season.

In fact the very Right to Drive has reached a doubtful phase Because of the increasing speeds that dog our modern days. And then that arrant Right to Booze-that curse of human souls-I claim these sacred personal rights deserve some stern controls! My highway program would include, with every travelled way A cogent dose of Golden Rule, renewed from day to day.

STONY ACRES-YORKSHIRES for sale. Several Fall Boars and 30 head of Fall Gilts. They are similar breed-ing as the Grand Champion Pen of Barrows, and the Reserve Grand Champion carcass at the Farmers' Week Barrow Show at Michigan State University in February, 1957. Price \$75 and up. A few bred gilts are available, also. Marten Garn & Sons, Charlotte R-6, Michigan. Phone 287J3, or 287W1. (2-1t-62p) R. S. Clark 315 North Grinnell Street Jackson, Michigan. REGISTERED CHESTER WHITE gilts bred for March and April far-rowing. Fall boars and open gilts. A. E. Holtforth, 5800 S. Fenton Road, Fenton R-2, Michigan. Phone Main 9-2417. (3-2t-25p)

GOLD STAR AWARD January

Manistee County, Hilltop Community Farm Bureau, Elizabeth

signs one or more members in Genesee County, Southwest Farm Bureau will become a Davison Community Farm Bumember of the 70,000 Club. This reau, Mrs. Shirley Hummel, sec-

Community Farm Bureau, Mrs. Gerald Kelly, secretary.

Eaton County, Friendly Farmer effort in other articles in this Community Farm Bureau, Mrs.



Would End Penalty of Osseo. Mr. Hodge represents Sold Yorkshires On Overplanted Wheat the Michigan Farm Bureau on the ADA board of directors.

Senator Charles E. Potter has asked Congress to abolish to penalty for overplanting wheat so Pay Million in Gas long as the farmer uses that Tax Every 46 Hours wheat on his own property for feeding or seeding. As the law gasoline taxes are producing stands now a farmer may freely revenue in Michigan at the rate plant not more than 15 acres of wheat. The farmer who over- cording to the Michigan Peplants his allotment is penalized. troleum Industries Committee.

LIVESTOCK

HERD OF GUERNSEYS, 19 milk-ing, 6 young cattle. Aso, good 120-acre farm in Mason county. Milo Col-burn, Free Soil, Michigan. (3-1t-20p)

COMPLETE HERD of 35 registered grade Jerseys with herd average over 400 lbs. fat last year. \$175 per head. Reason for selling, unable to get help. MACHINERY: New Blackhawk Corn Planter \$200, new 9 ft. Culti-packer \$150. Bill McCalla, 4100 Stone School Road, Ann Arbor R-5, Michi-gan. Ph Normandy 20097. (3-2t-40p)

REGISTERED LANDRACE. Long-er, leaner, less lard. American and imported bloodlines. Bred glits, ser-vice age boars. Glits. Weanlings. Har-old Calhoun, Clintón, R-1, Michigan. (Lenawee County) Phone GL6-4512. (2-1t-22n)

REGISTERED ABERDEEN AN-GUS cows and helfers, open and bred. Several nice young herd sire pros-pects. Bardolier - Bandolier breeding. Farmer prices. Paul L. Hoffman, Gladwin, Mich. Tel. Garden 6-7972. (2-4t-25p)

(3-1t-23p)

Hodge is President of Amer. Dairy Ass'n since been increased to 6 cents a Ward G. Hodge of Snover was gallon. The federal tax is 3 cents elected president of the American a gallon. Both are directed to the Dairy Ass'n of Michigan at the building and maintenance of a annual meeting February 1. Mr. constantly expanding system of Farm News for January 1.-Rob-Hodge succeeded Ivan Maystead highways.

Our ad on purebred Yorkshire gilts and boars in your February 1 paper produced results. We are well pleased with the sales made.

Blaque Knirk & Sons, Quincy, Mich. The combined state and federal

Sold the Milker

I sold my De Laval Magnetic Milker through my advertisement in the Michigan Farm News for February 1.-Don Stevenson,

Michigan imposed its first gasoline tax of two cents a gallon in Coral, Mich. 1925 for building highways. It has

Sold Combine I sold the combine on the first reply from the ad in the Michigan ert L. Wasmiller, Burt, Michigan.

CLASSIFIED ADS

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

MAPLE SYRUP

PRODUCERS

FOR SALE: 400 Sap pails and piles in good condition. Athens Youth Council, Athens, Michigan. G. I. Comlinson, Sec'y, Phone PArkway -2751. (2-2t-19bM) KINO ENALGY AND CONTRACT OF CONTRACT KING EVAPORATOR, all copper 30 x 10 ft. Excellent condition. Priced right. Spiles, pails and storage tanks. Harry M. Brown, Mason, R-1, Michi-gan, Aureljus phone 1612. (3-11-23p)

KING EVAPORATOR, 30" x 8', copper pan-about 300 15 qt. buckets with covers like new and 300 or more Soule spiles, Reuben Waldo, Merritt

FARM MACHINERY

COMBINE, 1954 International 144

With Scour Kleen, Power Steering. With or without 1956 corn head, John Breen, Marne, Michigan, Phone OR-7-3920. (3-2t-20p)

MODEL 950 FORD TRACTOR, 240 hours \$h575. Also new one way plow \$150. Andrew Smith, 42045 Michigan Avenue, Wayne, Michigan. Phone Parkway 2-1511. (3-1t-22p)

OLIVER CLETRAC A-B-6- Model 1948. Excellent condition. Almost new tracks. Recently overhauled. New clutch. Continental Motor. George Sage, Gobles, Michigan. (2-2t-25p)

PLANTS

TENNESSEE REGISTERED (vi-rus-free) Strawberry plants: Dun-lops, Blakemore, Klondyke, \$6.00 per thousand: Catskill, Tennessee Beauty, Robinson, Premier, \$8.00 per thou-sand; Sparkle, Pocahontas, Dixie-land, \$10.00 per thousand. Smith Ber-ry Gardens, Ooltewah, Tennessee. (3-2t-27p)

R-1, (Missaukee county) Michigan

SWEET POTATOES

SEED POTATOES

SEED POTATOES. Certified bago. Sand grown from foundation seed. John Bean potato sprayer, power take-off, with boom. William Tulloch, 6323 South State Road, Vas-SEED POTATOES. Certified Se-Tulloch, 6323 South State Vassar, M-15. sar, 1½ miles south of Vassar, (2-2t-25p)

FOUNDATION SEBACO and Cher-okee. Also Certified Sebago Seed Potatoes. Seventeen years' experience producing better seed potatoes. Northmich Seed Farm, Frank Polus, Elmira, Michigan. (2-3t-25p)

Elmira, Miengan. CERTIFIED SEBAGO SEED POTATOES, Size A. C. L. Stewart & Son, Rockford R-3, Michigan. (2-4t-13p) NORTHERN, SAND GROWN, pri-rate storage, Certified Sebagoes No. 1, 65% 2-2¼ inch sizes. High yielding, good cooking quality, quite resistant to seab and late blight, Thomas Col-ter, Elmira, Michigan. (3-21-25p)

FARMS FOR SALE

SILOS SILOS . Proven financing plan offers three years to pay, with no down payment. Famous C&B Cor rugated Cement Stave Construction is 25% stronger . . . scientific design means big storage savings. Also auto-matic silo unloader and bunk feeder for fast, efficient, low cost stock feeding. Wby wait when you can have your C&B erected now en easy installment purchase plan. Write to-day to C&B Silo Co., Dept. C. 14t 39th Street, S.W., Grand Rapids & Mich., or C&B Silo Co., Dept. C. 938 North Cochran Ave., Charlotte, Mich. (2-tf-Stb)

155 ACRE DAIRY farm. Modern 9 room house. Good buildings. Upright, trench silos. With or without stock, tools and equipment. School bus. Good road. 745 lbs. Base. Kenneth Huston, New Era R-1, Michigan. (Oceana county). (3-2t-29p)

240 ACRES irrigated certified seed

REGISTERED ANGUS. Can you use a top Angus bull, or a few top females? We have them at reasonable prices. We have selected our herd since 1934 for the type that will gain fast, and win in the show ring. Ed-ward Schneider, Schneider Farm, Traverse City R-4, Box 391, Michigan. (3-1t-45p) SILVER STAR AWARD January

HEREFORDS. Registèred Hereford buil (S. F. Lee Domino) calved April 10, 1955. Registered Hereford cow (H. P. Miss Regent) calved August 12, 1951, due 'March. Four Hereford cows, six years old, due March. One Hereford heifer, (eligible to register) two years old. 8 weeks old calf by side. Eldon Smith, East Akron road, Caro R-4, Michigan. Phone Caro J-102511. (3-1t-53p) St. Clair County, Go-Getters

Garry Marsh, secretary.

Unwritten Laws of the Road

An organization is only as

is the member who is not in-

1-.1

We are sure that these groups in session.

EXPECT CHILDREN to do the unexpected. Slow down when you reach striking distance of a child on a bicycle. Old desert-wise prospectors gave rattlesnakes a wide berth. When they came upon one all coiled up, they detoured around it. They were careful not to get within striking distance.

A child on a bicycle can't commit the physical damage of a rattlesnake but he has the ability to get in front of you suddenly. If you were to run over him, your conscience would hurt you the rest of your life.

Farm Bureau has grown and job. In order to keep pace with the become strong because of the This is the time when you can growth of Farm Bureau mem- work of volunteers. In going become a volunteer in Farm Bubers, we need to have at least farther, volunteers have made reau. The week of March 11 Werle, secretary. 1700 Community Farm Bureaus the United States the country it any Farm Bureau member who

strong as its weakest link. In heard one of the speakers give five characteristics of a good is a real honor. I am sure that retary. volunteer: (1) integrity and de- anyone who reads this article Bureau is participating in. This pendability. (2) interest in the can and will sign one Farm Buprogram. (3) ability to do the

job. (4) ability to cooperate with . We need less than 4,000 memothers and (5) willingness to take bers to make our goal of 70,000. training to learn what else to do Will you accept the challenge? upon the strength and vitality of | Every member should be at- that will help him to do a better You may read more about this



From Michigan Driver Education Manual, Department of Public Instruction

Professional drivers cut their normal speed in half when they see a child on a bicycle and are able to stop short of the youngster's striking distance should he lose his balance or thoughtlessly make an unexpected turn.



Send them a smile-by Long Distance

You know how nice it is to make a neighborly call on the folks down the road. Well, you can bring the same warm, personal greeting to a friend or relative across the miles-with a Long Distance call.

Rates are low, too. After 6 p.m. or on Sunday, you can call halfway across the country for about a dollar. So if there's someone special in your thoughts, telephone them. You'll both have a wonderful time!

MICHIGAN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY



ROLL CALL TEAM. Standing, I to r: Otto Jung, Ben Scherer, Robert Morlock. Seated, I to r: ence Butzbach.

Bainbridge township, Berrien ships are renewed on time, concounty, has a Farm Bureau mem- tacts prospets interested in that bership of 280, largest township service. group in the state, and first to Otto Jung was co-chairman for make its membership goal. About the south half of the township, 240 of them belong to the Cribbs Robert Krieger for the north half, Community Farm Bureau Group Clinton Undem for the Boyer -probably another record.

son Roll Call team has Mrs. January 7 to help. Others arrang-Thomas Collier as secretary. She ed their time in the same spirit. does the telephoning, etc. Mrs. Fifteen Rool Call workers com-Henry B. Miller is Blue Cross pleted their campaign in two secretary, sees that old member- weeks' time.

Don't be one who neglects this simple precaution. Be sure your

child is protected now and in the future, for diphtheria is one of

the most serious diseases of child-

Symptoms of diphtheria are

very mild at first and the child

may complain of feeling tired.

A slight fever and a mild sore throat may be the only indica-

tion of illness. But, a mem-

brane may grow in the nose or

throat producing so much toxin

poison in the body that the

heart may be badly damaged

and the life of the child en.

hood and it is treacherous.

tective shots.

dangered.

Clinton Udnem, Mrs. Henry B. Miller, Mrs. Thomas Collier, Robert Krieger, Cecil Griffin, ent for picture: Nate Brant, Carl Weckwerth, Harold Bendix, Alton Wendzel, Emil Ross, Clar-

Group. Harold Benedix went to How do they do it? The 15 per- Florida but said he would be back

NOW HATCHING DIRKSE SU-PERIOR LAYERS. Baby pullets \$40 per 100. All hatching flock stock this year was hatched from 24 oz. eggs or over. Are you troubled with broodiness, blowouts, small eggs, leukosis? Get Dirkse's this year. Try them against any chicks at any price. In Random Sample Test at Cornell University they lay more eggs on less feed and more birds are left at the end of the laying year. Egg produc-tion specialists-no brollers, no tur-keys at Dirkse. Complete egg produc-tion program. Dirkse windowless house, Hawkins floor, Northco Ven-tillation and Kitson Poulitry Equip-ment. DEALERS WANTED. Many are ordering Dirkse's chicks this year because of net profit over feed costs made in Random Sample Tests Dirkse Leghorn Farm, Zeeland, Mich. Telephone 3691. (10-tf-124b)

Telephone 3691. (10-tf-124b) WESTLINE—A controlled strain cross available at Dirkse in limited supply. 4,4 lbs. feed per dozen eggs. One of the top birds on the West Coast. If your feed bill is too high try WESTLINE. 290 eggs flock av-erage (California Test 1955). Soundh based on a vigorous tradition of White Leghorn breeding. Baby pullets \$45 per 100. Dirkse Leghorn Farm Zeeland, Michigan. (10-tf-60b)

ELECTRIC APPLIANCES

diphtheria shof is combined with whooping cough or lock-jaw shots, treatment should be started at six months. And, if the child was not pro-tected during his early years, he BE POPULAR and Make Big Mon-y, too. Your friends, neighbors, co-yorkers and others will be delighted when you show them America's mos iscussed greeting cards and the profits are tremendous. You just an't miss selling our wonderful all casion selection. Write for sample it on approval. Regal Greetings pep't 25, Ferndale, Michigan. (1-3t-52t)

WOMEN

Hold your horses-It was uncontrolled horsepower that caused half of last y ear's traffic

(2-11-23p)
 REGISTERED ABERDÉEN ANK GUS ows and heifers, open and have several nice young herd sine pros-pects. Bardoller - Bandoller breakdoller - Bandoller breakdoller - Bandoller -

AGENTS WANTED

 pany, Dep't C.F., Palms, Michigan. (2-3t-52p)
 (2-1t-52p)

 CEDAR POSTS 7, 8, 10 and 12 feet, 15 cents and up. Also, small poles for gates, pens and fences. Good electric fence stakes. Pete Bergman, Cole-man, Route 2. A Farm Bureau mem-ber. 5 miles east, 3 miles north of Coleman. (3-2t-35p)
 105 ACRES DAIRY or truck farm. Excellent soil. 9 room house. 36x60 School bus passes door. Owner re-thring. Harry Nichols, 2095 Kane Road, Stockbridge. Michigan. (3-1t-30p)

 FOR SALE—One 30" by 10' new King Maple. Syrup Evaporator, 400 o 450 buckets capacity. Price \$500. Also, 250 new Galvanized 14 qt. Sap Suttons Eay R-1, Michigan. Phone t3194. (2-2t-25p)
 80 ACRES—Part of former dairy unit. 60 acres cleared heavy land, soil mapped by State University. 15 acres cedar deer yard. Land tiled and has two story frame house with base-ment and bath. Earn needs roof. Deep weil and new fence. \$80 oil lease goes with place. No longer needed. Will sacrifice. George A. Prescott, Route 1, Tawas City, Michigan. (3-1t-61p)

RAY DO-NUT MACHINE, slightly used. Now is the time to go into busi-ness for yourself. Make golden brown to-nuts, the greasless way. Everyone ats them. They are good, \$250 value 200.—Margaret Howard, 110 Robinson Avenue, Charlevoix, Michigan. (3-2t-28p) Tawas City, Michigan. (3-1t-61p) 140 ACRES located in the best farming areas in Gladwin County. All woven wire fenced. Basement barn and six other out buildings that are in excellent condition. Eight room, ul modern house, complete bath and ul basement. I will sell for the price of the buildings. Also, 80 acres of food pasture land. Write Guy C. Sitchie, Gladwin, R-1, Michigan. (3-2t-57p)

FARM BUILDINGS

ANCHORED TO THE EARTH, Pole Plan buildings will last decades, hrough the roughest weather and isage. Contact us today, we can save ou time and labor costs. Farm Bu-eau Services, Sandusky, Michigan. Phone 164. (3-1t-34p)

GIFTS

DIAL-A-MATIC Adding Machine. Adds (up to 99,999). Subtracts. \$2.00 postpaid. M-LEES, Box 6792(M), San

Is your child safe from diph-1 ment for diphtheria which is called antitoxin, and if given early Diphtheria, today, is a disease enough may save the child's life. which is almost entirely the re- But, even when treatment presult of neglect. It could be wiped vents death, the poison may out if all parents would make damage the heart or nervous syssure their children receive pro- tem, Early treatment can prevent these serious complications.

However, don't take a chance -be sure your child has his protective shots. They should be given when the child is six to nine months old, and if the diphtheria shot is combined

should be protected when he is older. A booster dose should be given when he is three, and again Science has developed a treat- Cross-Blue Shield.

Harbs. Charles Askins, Mistride Tezz, Michigan. (Barry county). 5 miles south, '4 mile east of Nashville.
(3-it-25p)
PUREBRED French Alpine Goats. All ages. Stud service. Special for Michigan residents only. 10 day of kids \$15. Parline Goat Dairy, 12075
Pardee St., Wyandotte, Michigan. (3-4t-25p)
FOR SALE the year around. Reg-istered Tamworth breeding stock, obt soxes, all ages. Michigan. (9-10t-22p)
MOW HATCHING DIRKSE SU-PERIOR LAYERS. Baby pullets \$40 roodiness, blowouts, small eggs, or over. Are you troubled with broodiness, blowouts, small eggs, or over. Are you troubled with broodiness, blowouts, small eggs, or over. Are you troubled with broodiness, blowouts, small eggs, or over. Are you troubled with broodiness, blowouts, small eggs, or over. Are you troubled with broodiness, blowouts, small eggs, or over. Are you troubled with broodiness, blowouts, small eggs, or over. Are you troubled with broodiness, blowouts, small eggs, or over. Are you troubled with broodiness, blowouts, small eggs, or over. Are you troubled with broodiness, blowouts, small eggs, or over. Are you troubled with broodiness, blowouts, small eggs, or over. Are you troubled with broodiness, blowouts, small eggs, or over. Are you troubled with broodiness, blowouts, small eggs, or over. Are you troubled with broodiness, blowouts, small eggs, or over. Are you troubled with broodiness, blowouts, small eggs, or over. Are you troubled with broodiness, blowouts, small eggs, or over. Are you troubled with broodiness, blowouts, small eggs, or over. Are you troubled with broodiness, blowouts, small eggs, or over. Are you troubled with broodiness, blowouts, small eggs, or over. Are you troubled with broodiness, blowouts, small eggs, or over. Are you troubled with broodiness, blowouts, small eggs, or over. Are you troubled with broodiness, blowouts, small eggs, or over. Are you troubled with broodiness, blowouts, small eggs, or over. Are you troubled with broodiness, blowouts, small eggs, or

Farm Bureau In Upper Peninsula

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

Cold, snowy winter weather in the Upper Peninsula has not dampened the spirits of the Farm Bureau folks.

Baraga County Farm Bureau ity. folks had a successful membership drive the week of February 11. They will increase the membership more and organize two or three more Community Farm Bureau groups in March. One group will start enrolling in Blue Cross this spring. The County Farm Bureau will incorporate and adopt the Farm Bureau Service Agreement at the board meeting March 6.

Delta, Menominee and Chippewa Blue Cross committees are getting ready for the county wide enrollment. County meetings were held February 21, 22 & 27 to complete plans for enrollment to be conducted March 1 to 15. Some Blue Cross in Delta, Chippewa and Menominee counties.

Mrs. Marjorie Gardner, co-ordinator of Blue Cross and Farm ectors of cooperatives. Bureau office activities, met with this help much.

ermelons in Ethiopia.

HIS PROMISE A FAIR

HEARING TO EVERYONE

Potatoes grow the size of wat- Economics Dep't at Michigan

Planning at **Co-op** Clinics "Records, Finance and Plan-

Board Meets

presided.

8, 9 and 10. President Dick Arnold

They made plans for these pro-grams: Membership, Ionia Cafe-

teria, State Fair Apple Juice, An-

nual Convention, June Camp. They made final plans for their

State-Wide Officers Meeting and

Spring Formal to be held Satur-

day, March 23, at the Union

Building, Michigan State Univers-

ning for the Future" will be discussed by Dr. John Bailey of at Michigan State University groups have been enrolled in Washington at Co-op Clinics in Union Memorial Building, from 8 March. They are arranged by the to 12 p.m. Michigan Ass'n of Farmer Cooperatives for managers and dir-

Dr. Bailey is with the Farmer planned by Miss Janice Raycroft the new county secretary in each Cooperative Service of the U.S. of Gratiot county and her comcounty the week of February 4 to Dep't of Agriculture. He has mittee help them and with the Blue worked with Michigan cooper-Cross committees. We appreciated atives recently in making a suryey of costs and procedures.

Arthur Howland of the Agr'l State University will take part in

MARCH 1-15 BLUE CROSS ENROLLMENT FOR FARM BUREAU Young People's Blue Cross Pays Bills \$1,000 The Farm Bureau Young People's board dof directors met at Clear Lake Camp, Dowling, Michigan, the weekend of February

the clinics. He will speak on

"Future Action for Cooperatives."

noon with luncheon at these

18—Pinconning, California Inn.

19-Bad Axe, Coles Restraurant.

Young People Mar. 23

An annual event for the Mich-

igan Farm Bureau Young People

is their Spring Formal, March 23

All Farm Bureau Young People

are welcome and invited to at

tend. A fine program has been

Ticket for a fine evening's en-

tertainment is \$1.00. It may be

purchased at the door. A special

Spring Formal for

Memorial Bldg.

The meetings will start at 12

-Berrien Springs, Youth

Up for Farm Bureau Members

Every week the Michigan Blue Cross-Blue Shield pays hospital and medical care bills of \$1,000 or more for several members of the Farm Bureau.

Farm Bureau members will have the once-a-year opportunity to obtain Michigan Blue Cross-Blue Shield protection at the annual re-opening period March 1-15. 40,000 MFB families are enrolled now.

Your Blue Cross secretary in 1602 Community Farm Bureaus will know if you are eligible to join and will have all the information explaining in detail Blue Cross-Blue Shield group benefits, changes in contract for those now having the protection, rates, etc.

Many Farm Bureau members have come to appreciate the value of their protection more than ever when costly and lengthy hospitalizations have come to their families.

None of us can know in advance how much hospital care we may need some time. Blue Cross stands alone in providing needed hospital services without a limit on the dollars of cost. Here are some cases from Blue Cross files:

Benzie County. A heart ailment confined a Farm Bureau member to the hospital only 20 days. Blue Cross paid \$1,178 for his care. In this case drugs accounted for \$865 of the total.

Genesee County. Burns hospitalized a member of Genesee County Farm Bureau for 109 days. Blue Cross paid \$2,879.24.

Grand Traverse County. A Farm Bureau member required 76 days hospital care for a fractured hip. Blue Cross-Blue Shield provided \$1,659.80 for her hospital and medical services.

Oakland County. A member of Oakland County Farm Bureau was in the hospital 120 days with a severely crushed hand and arm. Blue Cross paid \$2,813.30.

Saginaw County. The wife of a member of Saginaw County Farm Bureau was hospitalized 119 days when stricken with polio. Blue Cross paid \$2,705 for her care.

Farm Bureau

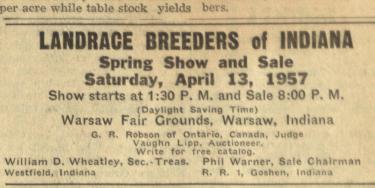
MICHIGAN FARM NEWS March 1, 1957

Certified Seed Potatoes Pay Well

avraged 440 bushels. Certified seed helps prevent losses from

THREE

In Maine last year certified potato diseases. seed potatoes yielded 75 bushels an acre more than table stock. Hot soup is welcome in cold Certified seed yielded 515 bushels weather by most family mem-





AMAZING "ONE-SHOT" MITICIDE

Thousands of Growers from coast to During this cold weather a coast used GENITE EM-923 in 1956. poultryman shuts his poultry And their experience confirms the reouse to keep in the heat. But, sults of years of experimental use. On this sets up a problem of too high apples, peaches, pears, plums and humidity. So, you'll need a litprunes, GENITE EM-923 is the best answer yet to early mite problems!

SAVE \$7.20 Here's why: A single application of GENITE EM-923 gives control far into summer! You get outstanding MEN'S ELECTRIC control of European red mite and clover (almond) mite.



summer sprays ..., reduce residue problems of late season sprays, Genite is virtually nontoxic to bees and other useful insects. And it goes far! Just 1½ pints make 100 gallons of fullstrength spray.

Prove to yourself what a difference GENITE EM-923 can make in your crop this year. Recommended use is from pre-pink to full bloom. See your friendly Orchard Brand dealer right away, to make sure you get the supply







Elect ROBERT E. CHILDS (Non-Partisan Candidate) **TO MICHIGAN** SUPREME

> • Law professor, Wayne State University since 1956

COURT

 Independent practising lawyer since 1930

Family owns grain and livestock farm and active in Farm Bureau over 20 years

Lansing. World War II

Vote April 1 (Political Advertisement)

• U. S. Navy 2 years during

near.

invitation is given to former Farm Bureau Young People members. **Eight Regions Hold**

> from the counties of eight Farm Bureau Regions held Seminars at Lansing during February. Attendance has, been high, with nearly every county represented. Many members of the Legislature have attended the luncheon sessions

tral Region. Ten memebrs of the

Still to be held is the Central Region Seminar March 12, starting at 10 a.m. in the Big Ten

When people say they don't trust a man too far they really mean they don't trust him too

Legislative Seminars Legislative committee members

All four Northern Peninsula County Farm Bureaus were represented in a joint Seminar on

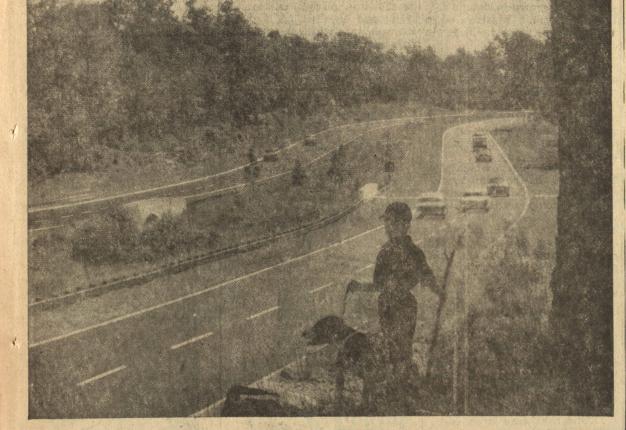
February 26 with the East Cen-

Legislature attended this session

Room of the Famous Grill, at

Right Now in





Smooth the way ahead for him with modern Asphalt highway construction

The new Federally-supported Interstate Highway system will create a new America for this lad. But it doesn't remove all the bumps ahead for him and millions like him. He'll have to foot part of the bill. Particularly for maintenance. The 41.000-mile Interstate system is largely super-highway. He'll also need, and have to pay for, new primary and secondary roads as well. Thousands of miles. And thousands more miles of existing roads are already overdue for resurfacing, widening, straightening, hazard removal. Savings from modern Asphalt highway construction can go a long way toward solving these problems. For example, the experts say up to 3 billion dollars in original costs can be saved by paving the Interstate Highways with Asphaltic materials. A substantial part of these potential savings can be realized by your state if highway officials specify Asphalt construction on the Interstate Highways they build. With these savings, the state can expand and improve its over-all highway program. This without an extra nickel of taxes.

And when it comes to riding comfort and safety ... Modern Asphalt is smoother riding, highly skid-resistant. It's easier-on-the-eyes . . . rugged and durable. What's more, modern Asphalt pavement is more quickly and easily built and maintained ... at less cost.

So, in your state . . . raise your voice for more-road-for-the-money modern Asphalt pavement.



MODERN ASPHALT HIGHWAYS

Membership in the State office stands at 66,281. This is 94% of our goal of 70,242. We have 5,132 new members.

JERRY CORDREY Coordinator, Organization Department of MFB

Ten counties have passed goal; Bay, Benzie, Manistee, Gladwin, Cheboygan, Montmorency, Oceana, Northwest Michigan, Livingston and Sanilac.

Many awards are still available. Read about them elsewhere in this paper.

A 70.000 Club is being started. All you need to do to become a member is to write one member during the week of March 11 to 17. Details on front page.

1957 Presidents' Conference just completed for County Farm Bureaus. Forty-three counties were represented by forty-six people. This was a very successful conference.

An Executive Committee series is just getting under way. This is a meeting of the County Farm Bureau Executive Committee, Regional Representative and a member of the Farm Bureau staff to review county program, analyze county objectives and discuss administrative procedures.

District Petroleum meetings have gone exceedingly well with over 2,200 Farm Bureau members in attendance.

Resolutions Committees Round-up will be held March 19 and 20, at Kellogg Center, MSU. This meeting is for the members of the County Resolutions Committees. It will be devoted to getting background and resource information on issues facing farmers.

Blue Cross Reopening is now underway. March 1-15 is the time when members signed prior ference to January 15, may enroll in Blue Cross or make changes in their contracts. Contact your Group Blue Cross Secretary or County Secretary for additional informa-

Regional Representatives are: 1. Working with counties on Farmers Taking

reorganization drives. 2. Helping community group committees in promoting new

groups 3. Attending or will attend shows that 43% of them take the following meetings in March: vacations. About three-fourths of County Board Meetings County Membership Reorgan- in the growing and harvesting ization Meetings

Councils

Regional Representatives Con-**Executive Committee Meetings** Another busy month facing us,

Region Liaison Committee

probably the last before spring work begins. Now is the time to finish the membership work and get on with county programs.

More Vacations

A U.S. Dep't of Agriculture survey among Michigan farmers farmers in the survey found time seasons for some relaxation.

District Women's Advisory About a fifth of take some time off in the winter.

DRY SMALL GRAINS RIGHT ON YOUR FARM AND STORE FOR BEST GRAIN PRICE

BIN FEATURES:

Corn Program

Change Urged

Farm Bureau has strongly

urged Congress to pass bills

which would permit corn farm-

ers in the commercial corn areas

to use in 1957 the program ap-

proved by more than 61% of

those voting in the December 11

Corn producers in commercial

areas, including 35 Michigan

counties, voted on the type of

corn program which they pre-

ferred for 1957. The majority,

61% of those voting, favored a

ly lower support price level, with

a national total of 51,000,000

Because of a peculiar provision

in the law, the choice was not

made on a majority vote, but re-

quired a two-thirds vote in order

to carry. With slightly less than

two-thirds of those voting marking their ballots for this pro-

gram, corn growers now face corn

allotments based on 37,000,000

It is believed that few farmers

would attempt to plant within

their allotments and an increase,

instead of a decrease, in corn pro-

duction is in prospect.

ter cover that is absorbent.

NORELCO

corn base program with a slight-

referendum.

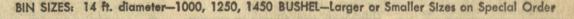
acres.

acres

Rat and vermin proof. Heavy steel construction. Two-piece wrap-around sidewall. No calking necessary. Manhole opening on roof for filling and checking moisture content. Sturdy non-sag roof with adjustable 24" ventilating cap. Perforated metal floors for faster drying.

FAN FEATURES:

Powerful, safe and compact 16" drying fan. Single phase motor, 3 H.P., 230 volt, 3450 R.P.M. Fan bolts directly to bin panel.



THESE TWO OWNERS EARNED \$2659.50 EXTRA THE FIRST SEASON

Don Thompson of Columbus, Indiana says:

"Last July, I dried 1000 bushel of 20% (moisture) wheat to just 11% moisture content in less than a week's time. The drying fan was used only in the daytime. This wheat brought me \$1400.00 extra last year, using my two 1000 bu. AGRI-TEC Drying and Storage bins."

Dana Pigg of Sullivan, Indiana says:

No obligation . . . NO SALESMAN WILL CALL.

DEALER TERRITORIES

AVAILABLE

"I put 1080 bu. of wheat in an AGRI-TEC bin at harvest time when it had only a \$1.65 per bu. market price. At selling time, I took out a better grade of wheat which brought me \$2.20 per bu. or a gain of \$556.50 over the harvest market price.

"I put in 1080 bu. of shelled corn at harvest time when the market price was only 95 cents per bushel. At selling time, I took out 1030 bushels and sold at \$1.61 per bu. for a gain of \$693.00 over the harvest market price.

"In one year's operation, I received \$1259.50 more for my corn and wheat at selling time which more than paid for my two bins."

FOR COMPLETE INFORMATION USE COUPON BELOW OR POST CARD - INQUIRIES WELCOME



R. R. No. State Check here if you also want information on AGRI-TEC bird and rat-proof metal Corn Cribs (M)



ACTING SHE WERE MICHIGAN FARM NEWS March 1, 1957 Activities of Women of Michigan Farm Bureau

at the Michigan Farm Bureau

office at Lansing March 19. Plans

will be made for the District

meeting Friday, May 3, with Clin-

women report a good February

meeting with 31 groups repre-

tendance. A Lansing beautician

spoke and demonstrated on care

of the hair and skin, the proper

use of the right cosmetics for dif-

The High School Home Econ-

tall and short figures and suitable

by local shops to aid in the de-

report a two-fold program by the

national organization (1) to con-

Delegates attending the Sister

ton county as hostess.

District 1

Mrs. Fred Foster, Chairman Niles R-3

County Farm Bureau Women's board meetings and to vote on Committee at the Youth Memorial | April 1. Building with 43 present. The panel included (1) these educaof the County Board of Education; Walter J. Zabel, principal of Niles High School; Miss Wilma Carlin, school teacher; Beryl Dominy, county superintendent of schools; Kenneth Johnson, former member of the Board of Education; F. C. Reed, superintendent of schools at Bridgman; (2) these Farm Bureau members: Benjamin Scherer and Mrs. Henry J. Peters.

The panel brought out present needs for School children and next meeting to be a belated ent. Tables were decorated in a answered many questions. The Valentine party on February 20. Potluck supper, and the husbands and lace doilies. are invited.

mittee met Feb. 5 at the home of next meeting. Mrs. Lee Bakeman with 17 present. committee chairman reported. the farm milk price issue and The Country Rural-Urban meet- rural mail carriers. ing will be held March 12 at 7:00 ing. interested.

Kalamazoo County. Potluck dinner preceded the business meeting called to order by the chairman, Mrs. Corbus, February 4 at the Schoolcraft Methodist church. 35 groups were repre-

Women Interested in **United Nations Tour**

The Michigan Farm Bureau Women are considering a tour of the United Nations, which will be open to any person wishing to attend. The date will be announced soon.

The trip will last two days and two nights and includes a tour of New York City and one day to be spent at the United Nations.

The approximate cost for trans-Detroit, transfer from train to hotel and back to train, the tour one luncheon will be in the neighborhood of \$56, if not less than 50 people take the tour. the person taking the trip.

discussed by a panel at the Jan- tendance. Our citizenship chair- of the causes.-Mrs. Charles uary 15 meeting of the Berrien man urged all to attend township Knapp, secretary.

The St. Mary's Lake Camp was announced for March 5 and Mrs. Celestine Young, Chairman Mt. Clemens B-2 tors: Ralph S. Lehman, chairman 6. Mrs. Irene Mrozek of the Hob-Nobbers Group has a very interesting review of the Hoover ty Conference.

ary 5 meeting at the Lawrence of instruction on the duties of our styles and materials suitable to

Methodist Church with 22 pres-Valentine motif with heart trees two food warmers for the Wayne interest and very helpful. Cloth-

Cass County. Women's Com- attacks would be given at the The safety and citizenship man, reported on bills regarding

p.m. at the County Center Build- trict Advisory Council meeting our meeting in February. She to work with those crippled by The Women's Committee which she, Mrs. Sallas, and Mrs. members to furnish a meat dish. Williams attended. Projects of St. Mary's Camp announced and 1956 were reported and proposed of water, snack on low calorie by the legislative citizenship and the District Meeting for April 9. A projects for 1957 were given. food, exercise moderately. Never display of "Tupperware" was set- Farm Bureau Women's annual go on 18 day diets, or 1 or 2 food up in case the ladies would be state meeting will be November diets. Never leave out the "basic

to older citizens of the county.

Mrs. Leta Sanford, Chairman Allen R-1

where there was a conflict in is the camp chairman. dates. The committee on rules re-

portation from Detroit back to March 5 and 6. We shall have a of New York, the hotel bill and Make reservations with Mrs. will be guests March 27. Tom Charles Knapp Marshall R-2.

This would mean that other at Osseo town hall for their Jan- day. meals would have to be paid by uary meeting for a Chinese

distributed by Mrs. Louise Smith. the AFBF meeting in Florida. Mr. in store. Spring council meeting for

Mrs. Brewer of the food depart- ferent skin colorings, and proper

slides. Mrs. Karker gave a school on care of clothing, selection of

As a project in 1956 we bought accessories. This was of great

County Home Demonstration ing and accessories were loaned

Our January meeting was held Kenny meeting at Carson City

county, gave a fine talk on diet at possible a rehabilitation program

nonstration.

safety chairman.

The group decided to hold all Edward Cartlage, state trooper future meetings in public places from Battle Creek, spoke on Berrien County. Education was in order to encourage more at- juvenile delinquency, giving some

committee women.

at the home of Miss Henrietta

basic seven foods, to drink plenty

seven." Never lose more than 1½

We are inviting a speaker from

We are sending Mrs. Bertha

Forum February 13 at Michigan

to attend the Fifth Children zoning.

said to get our calories from the polio.

Burch, county chairman.

District 3

Mt. Clemens R-2 Wayne County Farm Bureau sented. The lesson on "Personal Women's Committee had a very Grooming" brought out a good at-Commission Report. Adjourn- interesting meeting in late fall at ment followed a report on the Belleville. Family Circle Com-Michigan Rural Health and Safe- munity Group ladies were

Van Buren County. Women's Committee will be hosts for the ment and Miss Janet Patterson of use of shampoos, rinses and Spring District Meeting April 9 occupational therapy department creams. at the Christian Church in of Northville State Hospital gave Bloomingdale. Plans for this us fine talks illustrated with omics Department gave us a talk meeting were made at the Febru-

The safety chairman reported building on the 4-H Club fair

that interesting news about heart grounds: Mrs. Davis, legislative chair-

Mrs. Thar reported on the Dis-

Jack Fleming from the county to 2 lbs. per week. She gave health department was introduc- everyone an extension folder for ed by Mrs. Boyer. Since the counting calories. county will vote on the health the Wayne County Health Deunit within a month, Mr. Fleming made issues clear and stress- partment for our meeting in ed to the women their obligation. March.

District 2

State University.

The District Council meeting March 26-27 at Haven Hill on which time ministers from all the was held in Hillsdale. All coun- M-59 east of Highland. Miss churches in the county will be ties were represented except one Henrietta Burch of Wayne county guests.

Arthur Mauch of Michigan port was given by Mrs. Glen State University and Dan Reed, Science Department, Michigan Hombaker. Much discussion fol- associate legislative counsel of State University. He spoke on the

the camp at St. Mary's Lake speak March 26. very interesting program with several outstanding speakers. vices. Foreign trainee farmers 21 groups represented.

Hillsdale County Women met Department will speak to us that luncheon. The tables were for the 4-H Club fair grounds. pointment rather than election of

and Mrs. Barnard, were flown to

Miami to the American Farm

Bureau convention in December

to receive the award for winning

first place in the AFBF's national

For the past year we have been

having our meetings in the

Blackman fire station recreation

room. To show, in a small way,

our appreciation for this con-

venience a United States flag was

purchased from the Boy Scouts

and presented to the township of

The Farm Bureau Women's

Committee is being entertained

soon by the women of "The

Greater Jackson Association."

This is a day we always look

forward to .-- Mrs. Florence

Lenawee County. Fifteen

groups were represented at the

last county meeting. They voted

to thank Mrs. Vollmar for the

coffeemaker which she and Mr.

Vollmar gave to the new Farm

Bureau building. A letter was read from Mrs. Watts thanking

the women for the gifts sent the

girls at the training school at

Ethel Porter, county secretary.

contest.

Blackman.

Choate, reporter.

Christmas time.

Those interested in the tour, appropriately decorated with This will be determined later. please write Mrs. Marjorie Kark- painted Chinese figurines. They Wayne county is entertaining Dale Harding, one of our Farm | April 11. The place will be de-Bureau Women. Mr. Harold cided at March meeting.

and the board of directors and that this is the end of it. their wives at a recent meeting. Wexford County. Have you

counties of District 5 will be held Mrs. Marjorie Karker told some of her impressions of her trip to Florida and the American Farm calendar? Remember we go to Bureau convention. Mrs. Karker Marj. Dohm's for district advisory gave the members a questionnaire council meeting. to fill out and to study on the structure and policies of Farm Clinton County Farm Bureau Bureau.

> Osceola County Women's Committee is planning a Welcome fruit area and the cherry growers Party for new Farm Bureau are all over the place. members in the county. We are asking each Community group to cherry pie baker puts an egg and plan a part of the entertainment.

District 9 Mrs. Oliver Tompkins, Chairman

Traverse City R-1

Benzie County Women's Comfrom the highways on Saturday mittee reports \$132 paid into the and Sunday. polio fund-that's a tidy sum. Who buys the most gasoline Also they're planning a ruralurban banquet. As the kids say: from which the tax is derived to maintain the highways? The man "Dig this." I once heard of a disin the truck or the Sunday aftertrict chairman who helped plan such a banquet and no one noon sightseer? Perishables is a thought to invite her until they good word to know about, too.

sat down to eat! bear on migrant labor. The Manistee Women's Committee has been campaigning for blood thought (?) behind it being that Mrs. Eleanor Milliken, home tinue present treatment for polio donors. They have submitted the unemployed industrial workdemonstration agent for Wayne patients (2) to set up as soon as their year's program. Looks good. er is deserving of this extra work.

> Missaukee County women have budgeted their money.

Excellent reports were given Northwest Women's Committee is setting up a contemplated industrial people get around to do budget for 6 months in advance. Mrs. Heim related her trip to Eaton County reports a very Miami at the January meeting. It farmer.

interesting meeting on health was proposed that we get our problems given by the health program out in booklet form. committee. A summary from the Farm women here want to keep State health publication was

the Bookmobile which also benegiven, and reports from a recent fits Leelanau and Benzie counties. health meeting at Michigan State The board of supervisors was University. Points of interest besieged with letters and tele-

were safety, teenage problems, better sanitation in resort areas, phone calls. Bet they never knew Leverence and Mrs. Viola Wells migratory problems and rural there were so many women on earth!

We lost the Bookmobile service Hall on M-55. Announcements were made of a County Farm Bureau winter in a secret ballot taken by

District 3 is having camp special meeting February 15 at

Guest speaker was Professor Rolland Ebel from the Political lowed. Plans have been made for Michigan Farm Bureau, will work of the Hoover Commission.

> Ingham County reports an in-Miss Burch will have charge of teresting legislative meeting with evening session with vesper ser-

> Highlights of President Eisen-Noonan and John Carew and hower's address were given by someone from the Detroit Police our legislative chairman. Members were asked to watch the papers, radio and television for

Our 1957 project is something information regarding the apthe highway commissioner.

The proposed 1% payroll tax er at the Michigan Farm Bureau, were made by the son of Mrs. District 3 at the spring meeting was discussed and referred to the for too long they become spindly resolutions committee. All groups and weak, and open to disease. were urged to take a stand on the proposed milk marketing bill. The proper time to trans. plant young seedlings is when they start to develop

sented. Printed programs were Lord gave interesting reports of tending have some good listening mittee entertained their husbands presence, 9 to 8. We wouldn't say | with Mrs. Warren Spragg in was guest speaker. February with 19 groups reprethe home of Mrs. Enid Kenyon in

sented. Mrs. Esley VanWagoner was chairman. county chairmen and secretaries \$300 was made on the petrolcircled February 27th on your eum meeting dinner served by the

women. It will be turned over to Hungarian relief.

The group presented a gift to Mrs. Dorothy Lickfeldt. The safety re-Legislative chairman, Mrs. Louis Baker, gave a very interestport was given by Mrs. T. Scheele Discussion groups are gaining on carbon monoxide and safety in momentum as spring election ing report on unemployment. nears. The Milk Producers are Safety chairman, Mrs. Leonard driving. A committee was apsending representatives into the Timm, reported on "Care for the pointed to approach the N.E. Michigan Hereford Ass'n about Ageing." Citizenship chairman, Mrs. Lloyd Black, told the group the possibility of constructing a building for the Hereford sales By the way, our champion that due to an amendment of the election law that the annual luncheon and meals. A workshop for cancer workers was held on township meeting will be held on a teaspoonful of lemon juice in her pastry. Beats all when 15 the Saturday preceding the January 30 at the home of Mrs. year olds show grandmas a thing Clara Sargent. A Valentine gift election day. party was held in February.

A very interesting letter was read from Tsuru Nakatani. Get Have you heard this one? It is well cards were sent to shut-ins. proposed that trucks be banned A report was given on the safety survey being conducted among all Farm Bureau groups.

A very interesting and informative report was given by Mrs. writes Delta women have a plan Loyal Robb on the Hoover Comwhereby the end of the year each mission Report. group will have met all other

Iosco County women met at groups. Each group will have had the home of Mrs. Ulman in Feb- a turn at being host group. Pressure is being brought to Big Spring group is the first to ruary. They decided to go along host. A party for April 22 is their with the state projects. \$5 was given toward the oxygen tent for next get-together in their know Hale Health Center. We had a your neighbor plan. good letter from Tsuru Nakatani. Baraga and Chippewa county

Now if someone would just Everyone was asked to encourage figure out a way to keep weeds other groups to attend the wofrom growing and cherries from men's meetings in order to bring getting ripe until such time as up the attendance. Mrs. Ed Robinson read articles on Hungarian something about it, everything relief. Program suggestions for would be just hunky-dory for the the year were read to the group. Mrs. Provost will be host for the March meeting.

Montmorency County women Mrs. Vernon Kingsbury, Chmn. met at the home of Mrs. Fred Snow. Mrs. Mary Manier, chair-It is very interesting to visit man, made these appointments: with each county every month. I Mrs. A. Buckler, safety chairman, hope every county will be repre- Mrs. P. Barker, legislative chairsented at the District Council man; Mrs. H. Cortes, citizenship meeting Tuesday March 26 in chairman.

Iosco county at the Grant Twp. Mr. Earl Seybert, superintendent of Hillman High School, and party on February 22 and a the board of supervisors in our Alpena County women met also chairman of Civil Defense

Transplanting Young Plants

District 10E

Alpena R-1

or two about pie baking!

H. L. R. CHAPMAN Horticulturist

a second set of leaves.

Containers into which these

growing season. It is often necessary to sow the seeds inside several weeks before the plants can be planted in their permanent

location outside. If young plants have been started in this manner it is important that the seedlings should taken from the seed pan and as much sunlight as glass. be transplanted before they become overcrowded. When the

shade for a few days to give the | can be as long as desired, but of plants time to recover from being such length that the sash aldisturbed and the roots a chance though removable, will fit snugly Some plants require a long to commence new growth. As upon the frame. This will prevent soon as the plants become estab- cold air from entering.

There are several glass sublished they should again be stitutes available which may be placed in plenty of light. Some plants, such as del- preferred because of their lightphinium, where only a few plants ness and not being so easily are required for the home garden broken. However, there may be a are better if the seedlings are doubt that the substitues admit

placed singly in 21/2 or 3 inch pots. A two inch layer of coal ashes, This method has an advantage coarse sand, or small gravel plants remain too close together over plants grown in flats in that should be placed within the root breakage when frame and levelled off to form

se 10 3 **The Home Flower Garden** 38 50 S

Easier to cut Sew and fit

Ogemaw County women met at

West Branch for their January

15 meeting. Mrs. Lou DeMatio

19 groups answered roll call.

District 11

Mrs. Ken Corey, Chairman

Stephenson R-1

(Continued on page 8)

NEW Printed Pattern

Delta County. Mrs. John Oslen

was chairman.

P. O. Box 960, Lansing.



Your Farm Bureau seed dealer can make 166 leading varieties of Farm Bureau vegetable and flower seeds available to you.

VEGETABLES

melon

| Asparagus | Lettuce |
|-------------|-----------------------|
| Beans, Str. | Muskmelor |
| | |
| Beans, Lima | Watermelo |
| Beets | Onions |
| Broccoli | Parsnip |
| Cabbage . | Peas |
| Carrots | Peppers |
| Cauliflower | Pumpkin |
| Celery | Radish |
| Corn | Salsify |
| Cucumber | Spinach |
| Egg Plant | Squash |
| Endive | Tomatoes |
| Kale | Turnips |
| Kohl | Rutabaga |
| | States and the second |
| | |

FLOWERS Ageratum Alyssum Aster Baby's Breath Bachelor Button Balsam Brachycome Calendula Candy Tuft Canterbury Bell Carnation Fox Glove Gourds Hollyhock arkspur Marigolds Morning Glory Nasturtium etunia hlox inks Carnation Castor Bean oppies ortulaca Chrysanthemun Cockscomb Columbine Cosmos Dahlia Daisies Snapdragon Stock Straw Flower Sweet Peas Sweet William Verbena Zinnia Daisies Delphinium Four O'Clock

See Your Farm **Bureau Seed Dealer Free Catalog** Farm Bureau Garden Seeds

- FLOWERS
- VEGETABLES

FARM BUREAU SERVICES, INC. Garden Seed Dep't 3 P. O. Box 960, Lansing, Mich. Please send free catalog.

| Name | | |
|------------|-------|----------|
| | 1. A | 1 |
| Street No. | & RFD | The Walt |
| | | |
| | | |

Irving took us on a trip through **District 5** Europe by means of pictures he

had taken while visiting there. Mrs. John C. Watling, Chairman Mr. William Moore, officer of the Bath R-1 probate court, explained his duties and work. He told the

We are still enjoying winter women some ways to help young scenes and were very glad to see people in trouble. the snowplow on Monday morn-

Jackson County Women are very proud of the efforts and re-sults of the work of Mrs. Leo activities. I have had a share in the Crystal Lake Community Forner and her committee in compiling such a wonderful scrap when Districts 1, 2, 4, 5, meet. book to enter the Good Citizen-

The printed programs have been delivered. I think those atship Contest. Also happy that the editors of our Jackson County Farm Bureau Good News, Mr.

Quickly Memorized

7180

Mr. Phillip Belleville of the Tecumseh Herald condensed the You'll win prizes with this findings and recommendations of quick-to-crochet medallion. It the second Hoover Commission into an informative talk. The Hoover commission shows how government departments and procedures could be streamlined for

Pattern 7180: Complete direcmore efficient government at less tions. An easy design to crochet expense, to the taxpayer .-- Mrs. - you'll memorize it in no time. Send 25 cents (in coins) for

Calhoun County Women decided to send Mrs. Borden and News, 263, Needlecraft Service, Mrs. Brandt to the Health Con- P. O. Box 162, Old Chelsea this country that they say "It's ference. We are planning to visit Station, New York 11, N. Y. Add the Legislature during the pre- five cents for EACH pattern for sent session. Mrs. Ball and Mrs. | first-class mailing.

District 7

Mrs. Dale Root, Chairman Barryton R-1

young plants are to be pricked out (1) Place drainage (broken pieces of old flower pots, etc.) in side. Congratulations to Oceana County Farm Bureau for being the first in our District to reach

We are busy planning Spring its membership goal and also to the bottom of flat or other container, and then cover with an planning for the Spring camp at Group in the same County on half inch layer of sphagnum moss St. Mary's Lake on March 5-6 winning the Farm to Prosper or clean crumpled leaves. Contest.

with a sifted soil mixture of two Have you ever known time to pass by so swiftly? Could it be thirds good friable loam, and one third leaf mold or peat moss. that we are growing old or is it

(3) Press the soil down lightly just because we are so busy? Spring will soon be here and we until it is level and one half inch below the top of the container. are wondering where the winter has gone. If young plants are to be placed

are to be moved.

forefinger.

All seedlings, except the

very tiny ones can be handled by thumb and

Three of the counties in District 7 have new chairmen this year: they are: Mason, Mrs. Floy Wood, Scottville; Newaygo, Mrs. Margaret Muir, Grant; and Mrs. Stuart Oehrli, Osceola county.

Mason County Women's Com- the flat. mittee invited the chairman of This method assists in setting the County Farm Bureau board the young plants in straight rows of directors, Mr. H. O. Fitch, to and equalizing the distance beexplain the benefits to farmers of tween the seedlings. Two inches direct distribution of petroleum each way is usually sufficient for products. He also asked everyone most plants. The plants in the to help in the current member- seed pan should be watered is covered with a glass sash. It ship drive. thoroughly one hour before they

Mecosta County women invited their husbands and the County board of directors and wives to their February meeting. Mr. Kelly, a local attorney and teacher of law at Ferris Institute, spoke on the subject "Laws of Interest to Women." Most laws concerning families, wills, property, marriages, and divorces and to save the taxpayer's money.

lends itself to both fine cotton gram. She gave a report on the into which has been made a Vand string. Make small articles or plan a bedspread or tablecloth— food, clothing and bedding sent in the V cut of the label while from the United States.

> had no meat for ten years as the ling in the V cut of the label lift government controlled all meat the seedling gently from the seed appreciative of their liberty in scribed. just like Heaven here."

the plants are planted outside in the base upon which the plants in flats or pots can stand. the garden.

Plants, like all living things, are sensitive to sudden changes in temperature.

It will therefore be necessary to gradually "harden them off" before they are finally planted out-

To subject plants which have been raised in the home to sudden changed conditions, such as low night temperatures, full sun, (2) Fill the container loosely or cutting winds, will cause a severe check in the plants growth, or even may cause them to die. A problem is how to carry the plants in good condition until it is safe to plant them in the garden.

THE COLDFRAME

in a flat, the soil surface should This problem can be solved if be divided crosswise with straight the home gardener has a coldlines made with the pointed end frame or some type of glass of a pot label. The lines should be covered enclosure, which will spaced according to the expected keep out excessive cold and rain, growth of the seedling while in yet admit sunlight and air when desired.

The coldframe is an essential piece of equipment for all home gardens.

A coldframe is a bottomless box which rests on the soil, and has many uses such as (1) to give protection to young plants which have been raised from seed in the home; (2) a place in which to store plants which are not quite hardy if left in the garden over winter; (3) a storehouse for bulbs With the pointed end of the pot at certain seasons.

label gently lift the seedling, try-The size of the coldframe is ing to retain as much soil on the governed by the number of plants roots as posisble. Hold the plant, it is to take care of and the aby its top leaf, between the mount of space available for its were enacted to protect women thumb and forefinger and place location. It should be placed in a in flat so that the roots are slight- well drained position in the garly deeper in the soil than they den, and where it can have plenty of sunshine. It should also be The very small seedlings can placed close to some building or hedge where it is protected from cold winds.

> Coldframes may be made at nome or they may be purchased. The standard size frame. is 6x12 with a pointed piece of wood the feet, but one of smaller dimenroots are released and raised. sions will be found more serviceable in the home garden especially if a woman has to handle the glass sash.

Coldframes are usually built of wood, but they can be built also

Plants should be watered of brick or concrete. The back thoroughly immediately after should be 20 inches in height and Oceana County Women's Com- transplanting and placed in the the front 12 inches. The length



Ac-cent Interior Acrylic Latex Paint. With 36 colors to choose from, you'll find it simple to add dramatic new decorating touches to every room. Try it today.

* Applies with brush or roller

* Dries in one hour * Leaves no painty odor

* Covers any surface * Washes easily

See Your FARM BUREAU PAINT DEALER





6

Q

e,

3.0

S.

3

3

3

9

3

13,

0

Our article for April 1 will be "Preparing the Garden for Spring

New printed pattern for time

saving, work-saving sewing. It's a sun-style with cover-up bolero.

Pattern 9091: Misses' sizes 12, 14, 16, 18, 20. Size 16 dress requires 434 yards of 35-inch fabric. Bolero requires 1% yards con-



9192 2-10 Our new printed pattern makes this wardrobe a cinch for you to sew, mother! Cool bra-top, shorts, cover-up jacket and skirt. Your little girl will love these smart mix-match fashions!

Pattern 9192: Children's sizes 2, 4, 6, 8, 10. Size 6 bra 5/8 yard of 35-inch fabric; shorts 7/8. yard, acket 1 yard, skirt 2 yards.

Send 35 cents in coins for each pattern to Michigan Farm News, P.O. Box 42, Old Chelsea Station, New York 11, N. Y. Add five cents for each pattern for first class mailing.



Mrs. Anderson said one refugee family now living in Muskegon While still supporting the seed-

EACH pattern to: Michigan Farm produced. The Refugees are so pan and proceed as before de-

THE WAR

March 1, 1997 FIVE MICERGAN FARM NEWS Annual Reports-Farm Bureau Insurance Co's. Full Insurance Program Proves Its Value

Fire and Wind up To \$160,000,000

NILE L. VERMILLION Assistant Secretary and Treasurer Report to Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company at the 8th Annual Meeting at Lansing, February 27, 1957

In 1948 Farm Bureau had 38,000 members and received an income of \$60,000 for lending the use of its name to promote the business of a private outstate insurance company.

In 1956 Farm Bureau had 68,000 members and owned two insurance companies worth nearly \$10 million and producing a total annual premium income in excess of \$5 million.

These activities have engaged the services of 165 agents and 130 other employees in the state and are making contributions to Farm Bureau far in excess of the 1948 income.

These developments did not occur all at once, but came in stages. The introductory stages culminated in 1954 in the organization of our fire operations, thus rounding out a complete package of insurance for members. This was followed by a period of integration and coordination. Employees and agents were recruited and trained. equipment and systems were provided and improved.

Building a \$10 million business in 8 years has required a lot of adaptation and adjustment. Programming was very flexible. Members had to get used to a new success.

In summary: auto insurance has been brought up to a total of 53,350 vehicles, farm liability to 10,031 farms; and fire, wind and related coverages to 8,350 premises for over \$160 million of coverage. Life insurance was raised to a total of \$66 million.

During the year 165 agents located in 63 counties were intensely trained in the Farm Bureau package of insurance protection.

Diversification and decentralization are common trends in business. Farm Bureau management has been quick to recognize this. And as a result, the Farm Bureau has spread its activities over a variety of fields of business.

It was apparent in the begin- Ahead of us is the necessity of ning that an insurance operation dealing with the second steplimited to selling only auto insur- the problem of building the inance to Farm Bureau members surance operations to a safe size in Michigan could never be de- in the face of declining farm veloped large enough to weather population.

\$2,004,935 Paid in Claims in 1956

holders.

1950

1951

1952

1953

1955

1950

1951

1952

1954

1955

1956

1950

1952

1953

Millions of Dollar

assets relationship

Millions of Dollar

Millions of Dollar

for farm liability, and 8,350 fire insurance policy-

CLAIM PAYMENTS

TOTAL AMOUNT PAID IN CLAIMS FOR EACH YEAD

\$1,761,740

FARM LIABILITY TOTAL NUMBER OF FARMS PROTECTED AT END OF EACH YEAR

More and more Farm Bureau members recognize the need

for Farm Bureau Mutual's complete Farm Liability coverage.

Farm Bureau Mutual continues to show strong financial

ASSETS GROWTH

TOTAL ASSETS AT END OF EACH YEAR

2.0

Farm Bureau Life paid more than \$89,000 in life benefits in

1956-providing money when it is needed most

LIFE BENEFITS TO POLICYHOLDERS

Assets increased more than a million dollars during 1956-

1.0

evidence of the company's continued growth.

2.5

3.0

3.5

4.0

strength, increase in assets, and a favorable surplus-

SURPLUS-ASSETS RELATIONSHIP

TOTAL AMOUNT ACCUMULATED AT END OF EACH YEAR

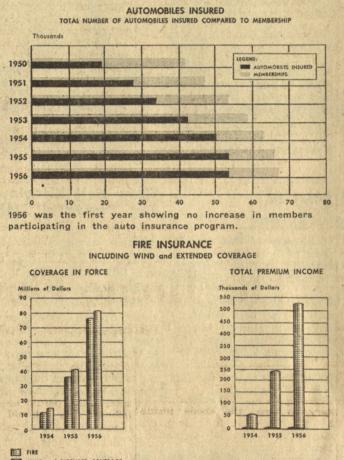
SURPLUS

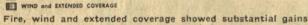
Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company of pany had 53,350 automobile policyholders, 10,031 Michigan paid \$2,004,935 in claims in behalf of its automobile, liability and fire insurance policyholders in 1956. A total of 22,017 claims were settled.

During the 94 months the Company has been operating, it has paid more than \$8,000,000 in claims for policyholders. A total of 98,716 claims had been presented at the close of business Dec. 31, 1956.

All policyholders in Farm Bureau Mutual are Farm Bureau members. December 31 the Com-

Farm Bureau Mutual Growth





in '56 to continue record of growth and service.



Life Insurance up To \$66,000,000

NILE L. VERMILLION Assistant Secretary and Treasurer Report to Farm Bureau Life Insurance Company at the 6th Annual Meeting at Lansing, February 26, 1957

Farm Bureau has definitely put Life into its insurance program. An important part of our present insurance package is the preservation of personal security for our people.

This program now provides for security against the common anxieties of every man, woman and child. These are untimely death, disability, and old age.

The life insurance coverages of Farm Bureau offer plan for any situation which might develop.

There is insurance to protect the interests of partners, guarantee support and education of the children, insurance to provide retirement income and to supplement Social Security payments, insurance to cover taxes and expenses in settling estates, and insurance which will permit the widow to hold and operate the farm.

These protections are provided through many varieties of contracts such as Charter, F.I.P., Term, Endowment, Ordinary Life, and Group.

The aim and purpose of Farm Bureau Life Insurance Company is to fit and tailor the coverages to the individual needs of the member, and then to keep in close enough contact with him to refit the coverages as conditions change for the policyholder.

Through continuous training of our agents by the top men in the business, we are making them experts in estate planning. This is done because in only five years we have found a tremendous interest among our members in the functions of Life Insurance.

It is not so much that farmers had never heard of it before, as that they had never had an opportunity to use it. The possibilities of growth in this field are almost unlimited.

A recent news article which was widely published, pointed out a noticeable fact that "farm people in Michigan are now leaning more heavily on life insurance to protect their property and build their future security than ever before in history."

The article said that the average farm buyer of life insurance now is purchasing more than twice as much protection as the average of only five years ago. Why is this so? It is so primarily because Farm Bureau is sending 165 agents out to tell the story to the farmers. There is not another company which specializes in this field. Many sales executives of private life insurance companies would like to get into the rural market, but they frankly admit they cannot find agents who are willing to take the trouble to go into the back roads and talk to farmers.



Farm Bureau Life Growth

the storms of competition.



BLAQUE KNIRK of Quincy, Branch county. President of the Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company. Farms 372 acres. Beef cattle, hogs, dairying, and general farming. Member of Farm Bureau 17 years.

Spreading the activity over many lines of insurance, and applying the insurance to unlimited numbers of people was necessary. Farm Bureau wisely decided to take the first step and immediately expanded its insurance activities into farm liability, fire, and life coverages. Thus each line of insurance was protected by the other in temporary periods of stress.

In the beginning the resources of the auto and farm liability insurance supported the introduction of the fire coverages. As time goes on the expansion of sources of the Life Insurance fire insurance will make it possible to repay this support by providing financial resources which will permit favorable auto

rates for members. bers. It permitted the advant- bers. ages of working through the same agents and the same office Young People's State force.

It is not likely that all three insurance lines of life, fire, and casualty will face difficulties and Young People's State Committee slumps at the same time, and Workshop meets at the Farm Buwith this wide diversification, if developed to its full potential, People on State Committees will relatively little shock will be felt work on plans for carrying out in the total organization.

Insurance depends on the principle of large numbers of risks. To prosper and improve, the number of risks must increase. It is possible for Farm Bureau Insurance to expand its total number of risks and yet preserve some preference for bonafide members.

The present apparent potential of auto insurance among members is annual premiums of about \$4 million. This may be expected to decline steadily, and obviously is not enough volume for efficient operation.

Fortunately the auto premiums are supplemented by fire insurance to some extent. In a few years fire premiums will equal auto premiums, and then fire insurance will begin to face the same squeeze of declining farm population.

Fire insurance such as operated by Farm Bureau is an exposure of high hazards and requires size to be safe. It should have a potential in excess of \$5 million annually-and this cannot be found among the farms in Michigan. Farm fire is about twice as

hazardous as city fire, and the wisest course may be to build a program which will balance the two in our company.

Life insurance alone has an unlimited horizon, and the results of its operations are good without any reservations. Its future is assured.

The members have benefited greatly from this operation through modern forms of insurance and high financial returns

both in dividends and in policy values Unfortunately the growing re-

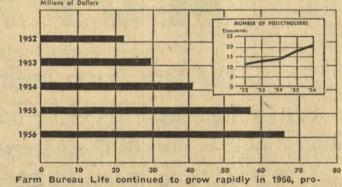
operations are not available to casualty and fire under present laws.

Our course in the future is to to solve in the best way pos-Likewise, joining forces with a sible the problem of potential full fledged life insurance pro- growth of Farm Bureau Mutual gram has permitted greater free- and maintain its high standard dom in dealing with our mem- of service to Farm Bureau mem-

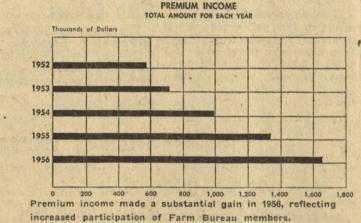
Committees March 2

March 2 the Farm Buerau their year's activity.

INSURED ESTATES TOTAL LIFE INSURANCE IN FORCE AT END OF EACH YEAR



viding more members with financial security.







NILE L. VERMILLION Executive Secretary-Treasurer Assistant Secretary-Treasurer and General Manager and Manager



Assistant Manager Casualty Division



JAMES RATHBUN Assistant Manager Fire Division

honored in 1956 by having one of our agents recognized as a mil- at \$604,000. lion dollar producer. This as a feat of special note because it has never been duplicated in a rural market.

agency manager, of Tuscola coun-He earned this great honor paratively young in his success. Here is a man we induced in-

debted to him. Harry Steele and many others paper: like him in the sales organization have put in force a total of

Assistant Manager

Life Company

\$66 million of life insurance. This has built up a financial

REN A. DERUITER of Mc-Bain, Missaukee county. President of Farm Bureau Life Insurance Company. Farms 160 acres. Registered Hereford cattle, potatoes and general farming. Member of Farm Bureau 8 years.

structure measured at more than As evidence of the success of \$4 million assets and an annual our program we were greatly premium income of nearly \$1,-750,000. Capital and surplus are

Dividends paid out during the year were approximately \$150,-000. Investment of the assets provided an income of \$85,000. The This agent is Harry Steele, net effect of these financial figures is good protection to the

policyholders and low net costs. after only 41/2 years in the busi- Growth is steady and healthy, ness, and at the age of 38 is com- and now the company is capable of even more rapid expansion. It is of great significance that

to the business, trained, and pro- Farm Bureau Life made its vided with a market. No greater great success at a time when farm tribute can be given our pro- income was depressed. The folgram, and all Farm Bureau is in- lowing appeared in the Bay City Valley Farmer, a weekly news-

> "Farmers have somewhat less money to spend, but they have more than doubled their average life insurance purchases. This increase in the span of five years has been greater than the national increase during the entire

preceding 30 years. "For the first time in history, it now appears that farmers are matching and perhaps exceeding non-farm people in their investments in life insurance. The radi cal change that has occurred within recent years is in our opinion, a reflection of a major shift in our total farm economy.

"The mechanization of farming and the increase of land values have directly affected the farmer's capital investments. He has acquired a business man's outlook, and he is beginning to regard his needs for protection as does a business man. This change can have tremendously beneficial effects on the future of stability of farming."

We expect to accelerate our sales activities in 1957 to encour age our agents to bring the advantages of Farm Bureau Life Insurance to the attention of every member and his family.



SIX March 1, 1957



Farm Bureau Life Honors Harry Steele

The honor of becoming the first Farm Bureau Life agent to surance for Michigan farmers tionally. county.

lion, Manager of Farm Bureau curity. Life Insurance Company of Michigan, at the company's annual Soy Bean Nematode meeting and presented with a the east coast. It lives on the

special plaque and the Farm Bu- roots and can ruin a crop. PUBLIC SALE-April 4, 1957-7:00 p.m. CST At Warner Farms on State Road 4, 11/2 mi. east of Goshen, Indiana

LANDRACE HOGS

"THE HOG OF TOMORROW - - - TODAY!"

70 — HEAD — 70

30 Bred Gilts-10 Open Gilts-20 Boars-10 Weanlings PUREBRED - REGISTERED

An offering of the best animals of Swedish, Norwegian and Danish (American) bloodlines from our outstanding CERTI-FIED BRUCELLOSIS FREE HERD.

MEAT TYPE-BIG LITTERS-FAST, ECONOMICAL GROWTH THE RESULT OF OVER HALF A CENTURY OF SCIENTIFIC BREEDING, TESTING AND SELECTING BY SCANDINAVIAN HOG BREEDERS

Ideal for Crossbreeding Take Advantage of Your Opportunity Buy With Confidence WRITE FOR FREE CATALOG

WARNER FARMS PHIL WARNER, Owner R. R. 1. Goshen, Indiana Certified Brucellosis Free Herd No. 87

Bureau Life agent to sell award. Presentation was made \$1,000,000 of insurance in one year, is shown with Mrs. Steele reau Life Pace Setter trophy.

The trophy is presented to Farm Bureau Life's top life insurance salesman of the year. Mr. Vermillion said "million

dollar agents" constitute a highly select group. It is a distinction write a million dollars in life in- realized by few life agents na-

Ellington township, Tuscola vice. As a farmer he is well ac-Announcement of Steele's re- and the ways in which life in- schools could be enlarged to procord was made by Nile Vermil- surance helps to build farm se- perly take care of our present in-

statewide meeting in Lansing on The Soy bean nematode, a February 7. Mr. Steele and his menace to the nation's soybean wife were honored during the crop has made its appearance on

by Nile Vermillion, Life Company manager. **Urges Income Tax to Equalize School Cost**

Dear Editor: I have made a study of our school annexation problem that seems to be more of a national proposition than we as parents and taxpayers realize.

Steele views his record as the during a single year was achieved during 1956 by Harry Steele of result of providing a needed serquainted with farmers' problems a good financial basis so that

I. H. HULL

Importer of Landrace

57 Whittier Place

Indianapolis, Ind.

district will annex." In investigating of the amount of taxes paid I find some staggering data. The number of homes that are being built in rural areas which are subject to the township

form of assessments is one of the great problems for which I shall endeavor to offer a plan that I

I have come to the conclusion

that "finance" is the real stum-

think is the fairest way for all concerned. One instance I found was of a \$15,000 home constructed on one acre of land with frontage on US-10. It has an assessed valuation of \$600. Their school tax (as of 1955) was \$4.50!

I have a 60 acre farm and would wait some time for an offer of \$10,000 for this property. I'm now 65 years old. My school taxes last year were \$23.00 and I have no one in school.

I propose that a tax be paid by each of us according to our gross income. As we all know each of us regardless of our class of income is required to file an income tax report. Therefore this plan will apply to all of us in regards to our income.

All Star Team_1957 Roll Call

MRS. GENEVA WILLFORD

Gladwin R-3

8 - Sanilac

MRS. ALLYN GORDON

Croswell

Corn Belt Illinois

Big Tester of Soils

Roll Call Managers of **Top Counties**

The first 11 County Farm Bureaus to make their membership goals in 1957 make up the Michigan Farm Bureau All-Star Roll Call team for the year.

Thus far 10 County Farm Bureaus have qualified for the team. At the right are photographs of 8 of the Roll Call managers and the standing of their county for percent of goal attained. We regret that photographs were

not received for this edition for two Roll Call Managers who are members of the All Star team. They are:

4 - Montmorency BEEMAN SMITH Atlanta

5 - Oceana JOHN MILLER Montague

The 11th place is still open. Branch, Missaukee, and Saginaw counties are close.

bling block. If all schools were on The next 11 counties over goal will make the Reserve Team. Three membership awards have

been won thus far. Cheboygan crease in population (which is County Farm Bureau has won the forever to be increasing) there trophy for the highest percent of would be no such thing as "We, goal (108.6%) for the third time as a school board will not accept and will hold that trophy perany more students unless your manently. Manistee and Montmorency County Farm Bureaus took second and third places in this competition.

> Now for the school part. I would suggest that the past form of local assessment by supervisors and city form of assessment for school purposes be abolished as obsolete.

ploye, or property owner, busibe given a number which must be registered with the employer or business for an income tax report for school districts.

This number to designate the school district where our children will be educated. The money coltrict in which the children are being educated.

This in a few years should build up a fund whereby additions to schools could be constructed when necessary. Also better wages could be paid those

employed in education. Some may say that this can't be done. 'What happens to the taxpayer now? If he or she does not pay school tax, their property is soon offered for sale for delinquent taxes. What do you think? JOSEPH M. SWAIN Clare R-4, Michigan

1 - Manistee

CHARLES BROWN, Captain

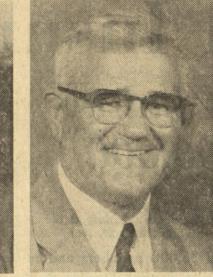
Onekama

7 - Livingston

2 - Gladwin

3 - Cheboygan

6 – NW Michigan





JACK SAVELLA Cheboygan R-1

Traverse City R-1

10 - Bay



BEN MORGANROTH Beulah

EDMOND DOAN Bay City

More than 18,000 plants per

acre did not increase yield.

Value of More Corn **Plants Per Acre**

The university of Illinois soil Tests in Minnesota last year again showed the importance of testing laboratory estimates that planting about 18,000 corn plants per acre rather than 10,000 to were tested last year in 83 county 12,000 plants per acre. Farmers who planted 12,000 or

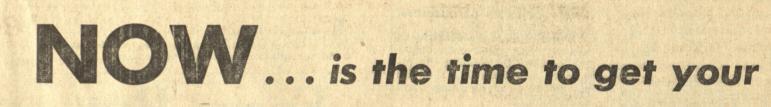
statement of purpose when the a need for limestone, phosphorus averaged 103 bushels. Plantings lected to be returned to the dis-Michigan Farm Bureau was or-and potassium. The soil improve-of 16 to 18 thousand plants per explain why yields of corn, oats plants averaged 53 more bushels ing for my family, education for and soybeans in Illinois are than acres with 12,000 plants and my children, and independence

The Farm Bureau Creed "I have united with these friends and neighbors to enjoy a social hour, to study our common problems, to support through the Farm Bureau the organized effort which is essential to the welfare and prosperity of agriculture to the end that such cooperation Fertilized acres with 17,000 may provide a comfortable livfor my old age."

agr'l extension and 42 commer-This sentence is taken from the cial soil laboratories. Tests show less plants per well fertilized acre

People who invite trouble find

ganized at Michigan State Col- ment program that follows, said acre averaged 129 bushels A. U. Thor, soil test chief, helps among the highest in the country. no fertilizer.



In my plan, every adult em- Purpose of ness owners and farmers would Farm Bureau

ally, legislatively, and economically

lege, February 4, 1919.

it never sends regrets.

"The purpose of this Associaour members' interests education-

WILLIAM HANSON

Howell

tion shall be the advancement of more than 500,000 soil samples

Blue Shield

Blue Cross.

for farm families

ACT NOW!

Enrollment closes March 15!

Once each year, Blue Cross • Blue Shield opens its doors to Farm Bureau members and their families . . . offering them the most dependable hospital-doctor bill protection obtainable.

Blue Cross•Blue Shield were created specifically to provide dependable, lowcost health care for the entire community ... they are the only plans sponsored by hospitals and doctors themselves. Thousands of Farm Bureau families already share the benefits of Blue Cross.Blue Shield in Michigan.

Your family needs Blue Cross-Blue Shield. To be sure they have it, you must apply no later than March 15. It's your one opportunity this year.

Ask your Farm Bureau Secretary for full information

THIS CARD MUST BE SHOWN TO YOUR HOSPITAL OR DOCTOR 35 2418002 64107 56 -20 RSEE REVERSE STOR FOR SERVICE CODE EXPLANATION FOR SERVICE CODE PAPERAN BLUE CROSS-BLUESHELD

FARM BUREAU MEMBERS

HERE'S YOUR ONCE-A-YEAR OPPORTUNITY TO SHIELD YOUR FAMILY FROM FINANCIAL LOSS -WITH BROAD HOSPITAL-DOCTOR BILL PROTECTION OF THE KIND THAT ONLY BLUE CROSS . BLUE SHIELD PROVIDES SO MANY SO REASONABLY

Blue Cross for hospital care Blue Shield for doctor care

Cheboygan Has Community Group 1600

Wolverine Community Farm Bureau Group of Cheboygan county has the honor of being the 1600th group. Mrs. Clifford Gearhart of Wolverine is secretary. Group 1601 is Gulick Center Community Farm Bureau, Isabella County. Mrs. Edward Ley Mt. Pleasant, R-3 is secretary. Group 1602 is Cedar Bluff

Community Farm Bureau, Allegan county, Mrs. Paul Sivacek, sec'y, South Haven R-2.

England Buys Most U.S. Farm Goods

England, Japan, Canada, West Germany and the Netherlands rank in that order as the best customers for U.S. farm products In the year ending June 30, 1956 the five took nearly half of all U. S. farm exports. Each of these nations took more than \$250 mil lion of American farm production

Buy Farm Bureau Feeds.

Mail Coupon For Free Soil Test Bags

Money can be saved and money can be made in some instances in the choice of fertilizer as the result of a soil test.

Mail the coupon below for free Farm Bureau Soil Sample Bags. You'll need 1 bag for each flat field. 5 bags each rolling field. Have your fields soil-tested at one of 52 County Soil Test Laboratories. Apply fertilizer on the basis of need for the crop.

FARM BUREAU SERVICES, Inc. Fertilizer Dep't 2-57 P.O. Box 960, Lansing, Mich.

| Please send ——— Soil Samp Bags. | 1 |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Name | |
| Street No. & RFD | |
| Post Office | 1 |

ALFALFA!

Your Farm Bureau Dealer has ample stocks of the following:

- **Certified Ranger** •
- **Northwest Grimm**
- **Utah Grimm** 0
- Montana Grimm 0
- Washington Ranger, Uncertified
- **Utah Common**
- **Northwest Variegated**

Since 1920 Farm Bureau Brand Seeds have set the pace for quality seeds in Michigan. To protect Michigan farmers against imported, unadapted seeds, Farm Bureau was influential in getting the federal Seed Staining Act adopted in 1926.

Farm Bureau Brand Seeds were the first to have a guarantee that really

meant something. The vitality, description, origin and purity of Farm Bureau seeds are guaranteed right on the tag.

NOW Farm Bureau sets the pace again with the most modern seed processing plant in the Midwest. The next time you are in Lansing, stop at the Farm Bureau Center on US-16 west of Lansing and see for yourself.

Your Farm Bureau Seed Dealer also has ample stocks of

CERTIFIED SEED OATS

MICHIGAN CORN HYBRIDS



Always look for this emblem. It is your guide to farm supply items made for you by farmer-owned organizations.

SEED DEPARTMENT

Farm Bureau Services. Inc.

Lansing

Making Maple Syrup is Max Coats' Hobby

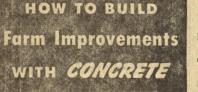


KEATS VINING Agr'l News Writer

Farmers have hobbies as well land. as other people.

Farm Bureau member at Coats Grove, Hastings R-3, has two hobbies. One is making maple syrup, the other is growing an but he has a modern sugar house lons. The remainder goes on the acre of pop corn.

Mr. Coats grew into his maple syrup hobby. His father, George C. Coats, had a sugar bush of





This illustrated booklet will help you obtain labor-saving, longer-lasting farm improvements. It has the latest design and construction data for firesafe concrete buildings - including both cast-in-place and concrete masonry construction. Write for your free copy today.

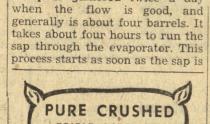
some 2,000 trees before the wood- | collected in order to make the lot was cut to make more farm | best grade of syrup.

own syrup

on a small scale. There are some 50 hard maple trees in the Coats farm yard. long-time members of Barry

bors' trees The sugar house above is 10x12 Governor Urges eet. It houses a small King eva- New Taxes porator, two feet wide and six feet long. It operates like any big ent formula is 6½ mills.

the storage tank and runs by tion. gravity to the evaporator.





Syrup comes off at 220 degrees As youngsters Max and his and weighs between 111/4 and per gallon and some upward adbrother Kendall tapped maple 11½ pounds per gallon. Max E. Coats, Barry County trees in the farm yard. They built Max makes from 30 to 40 gal- vehicle weight taxes in 1955, a

local market

Sometimes Max taps some neigh- for years.

They take about 130 sap buckets. County Farm Bureau. Sons Max State on the Interstate System, or horticultural products, includ-

(Continued from Page 1)

Heat comes from wood cut in The Governor favored compul-

Sap is gathered twice a day when the flow is good, and by July 1, 1961 should be brought under the closed school district sap through the evaporator. This with compulsory reorganization following the pattern of the local

area study This would mean that all onegrades, would have to become a part of a high school district. to be enforced by a provision

that rate would have the deficiency subtracted from its state-

FOR POULTRY

lative committee has been inves- ceives approximately 50%, the in effect the income of wheat tigating highway conditions and County Road Commissions 33%, farmers in Michigan would have needs and fiscal problems for the and the Cities and Villages 17%, of the weight and gas tax revenpast two years.

The committee recently an- ues. The proposed formula would were sent to Michigan members nounced that, acting under their grant 44% to the State Highway of Congress. instructions, representatives of Department, 37% to the Counties the State Highway Department, and 19% to the municipalities. County Road Commissions and One of the first bills passed by municipalities have reached a the Senate was S. 1004. This general agreement on a new would permit rural mail carriers basis of dividing up the gas tax to equip their automobiles with and motor vehicle license receipts. special flasher lights which would At present, the situation is operate when brakes are applied. quite complicated because part This a part of the Farm Bureau's of the revenue is divided be- legislative program. This bill has tween the three road-building gone to the House Committee on

proceeds thereof.

These people shall be eligible

Sect. 2. Family Membership.

Membership in this association

shall be a family membership

shall be included in his or her

units of government in accord- Public Safety. ance with the provisions of a law passed in 1951, and the balance Representatives unanamously aof the gas and weight tax money dopted a resolution urging the is distributed on a completely different formula embodied in a 1955 act.

Farm Bureau Policy. The dele- content of soft winter wheat gates at the 1956 annual meeting from 14 to 13.5%. They said last the Michigan Farm Bureau year nearly half the wheat proadopted the following statement duced in Michigan had a moisture of policy:

"Experience has shown that the proposed standard had been the proportion of weight and gas tax revenues allocated to countax revenues allocated to coun-ties for their primary and local who's Eligible roads is inadequate to properly maintain and improve the vast mileage of such roads within the Hor the State. When the State gas tax was increased from 4½c to 6c

justments were made in motor

an arch of stones and made their lons a year. 1955 was his best very small proportion of this addyear at 45 gallons. The three ed revenue was allocated to the

Today Max taps the same trees, Coats families use about 15 gal- County Road Commissions. "Now that the new Federal Aid Highway Program provides for George C. Coats is one of the matching 90% by the Federal cations. (1) Only persons engaged Government and 10% by the in the production of agricultural

> re-examination of this matter of products. building units of government- part of the crop raised on the

the State, the Counties and the rented or leased premises, or the Cities. "We urge that the present the farm woodlot. At the rear of sory area studies, with the pro- Motor Vehicle Highway Fund for membership in this associathe sugar house is a four barrel vision that the study be carried and the Highway Construction tion, upon approval of their tank. Sap is gathered in a three on until a report is submitted Fund be consolidated and that membership application at the barrel tank on a tractor. It is which is acceptable to the State one formula be adopted for ap- direction of the board of direcpumped from the tractor tank to Superintendent of Public Instruc- portioning the highway revenues, tors and that the portion allocated to

He further proposed that "any counties for primary and local district not providing an approved roads be substantially increased." We are glad that the recom- which includes the husband and mendations of the Joint Legisla- wife and minor children; tive Highway Study Committee Provided that, an unmarried

appears to be in line with the minor reaching the age of 21 Farm Bureau's position. At the present time, the net family for the balance of the calresult of the two laws which endar year, and provided, further,

room schools, and all town divide up road money is that the that married minors must qualify, schools teaching less than 12 State Highway Department re- as a family membership.

He also proposed a \$4,200 mini-mum salary for school teachers, to be enforced by a provision that any district paying less than

mailed:

Bureau Secretaries

approval of the State Fire Mar- applications and Farm Bureau dues for 1957 may be

been reduced by approximately \$600,000. Copies of the protest

Milk Marketing Bill. No action on proposed legislation for state control of milk prices. The Storey bill, S. 1067, rests in the Senate Committee on Agriculture. Another proposal, with the support of the Fair Share Bargaining Association and the Farmers Union. may be introduced any day now.

Over 450 proposals for new laws, amendments to existing statutes, and joint resolutions Wheat. Both the Senators and embodying changes in the provisions of the state constitution S. Dept. of Agriculture to have been introduced thus far and are pending in the various withdraw a proposed regulation Senate and House Committees. to reduce the allowable moisture From now on the legislative ing a knapsack, baking biscuits, Senator and Representative promptly. If we don't do that, we needn't complain if some results of the session aren't to our

> factor in agricultural and industrial development," said Sec'y of Agriculture Benson to the Soil Conservation convention at St. Louis, February 7.

"In agriculture it takes about "Because water has been so 3,000 gallons of water to grow a cheap-a nickel or a dime a tonpound of cotton, 40 gallons to we forget how vital it is to us."

MICHIGAN FARM NEWS

people in the world.

In the evening these prospec-

cook stove.

Marion & Hostetler

A young man from Flint, we have the energy and ingenu whose friends know him as ity to make use of them. Chuck, spent a week learning to

"About the second evening," be a leader in a camp for boys. Chuck told me, "I was really dis-He's an executive in an organization that services a third of the gusted. I could see we weren't going to get anything done all week except to provide for our He has plenty of things to keep own food and shelter. What a

March 1, 1957

SEVEN

him busy. It seemed to him that waste of time! he would never be able to slow "Then I saw the light. No matdown to the pace of a woodland ter whether we are in the woods camp, where most of the time is spent on such activities as watch- or on a farm or in the city, most of us do spend most of our time ing a bird, pitching a tent, packgetting just those two things: food and shelter! or turning a No. 10 can into a

As we go along, if we learn to live at peace with our fellow men (He noticed that no matter how rustic the camp, it is impossible and to be grateful for God's good in these modern times to get poorly, after all." gifts, maybe we haven't done too away from No. 10 cans.)

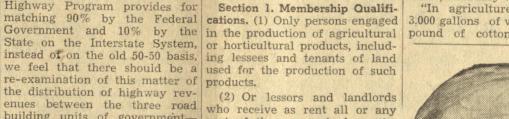
Our material needs are simple tive leaders would talk over the -something to eat and drink, day's experiences, noticing the our heads-and even those need ways in which young campers would be learning to get along yound be learning to get along with other people, or would begin Father knows that you need them

to appreciate the wealth of natural resources God has placed In case you're wondering, the world-wide organization that in the world for our benefit-if keeps Chuck so busy is the grow the feed to produce one egg, 1,800 gallons to grow the grain to Christian church. He's a minister.

> If you don't want to take the other fellow's advice refrain from telling him your troubles

5,132 families are new members of **Farm Bureau!**

Will you invite a family? Help us to reach 70,000. People join Another recommendation was that no school classroom could be used which had not received the Farm Bureau secretaries, to whom new membership because someone invites them.



Farm Bureau? Farmers, and this is the way they are described in the by-laws

of the Michigan Farm Bureau:

produce a pound of beef.

Importance of Water Supply "Water is the greatest limiting

liking.

tempo will be stepped up. Actions will be taken fast. That means that if our ideas are to have any weight with our legislators, we content in excess of 13.5%. should pass them along to our

PORTLAND CEMENT ASSOCIATION Michigan National Tower, Lansing 8, Mich. A national organization to improve and extend the uses of portland cement and concrete . . . through scientific research and engineering field work



partment. Highway Funds. Ranking in get, taxes and school-aid is the issue of re-distribution of state highway revenues. A joint legis-

Special Offer to FARM BUREAU MEMBERS only for a Limited Time worth.

Have You Something You'd Like to Sell?

will present up to 25 words of classified adver-5100 tising, including your name and address, in one issue of the Michigan Farm News. It is read by 67.154 members of the Michigan Farm Bureau. This bargain is less than half our regular classified advertising rate.

Please send your classified before March 23 for our April 1 edition. Extra words over 25 at 5 cents each. Some of our classifications:

| BARN EQUIPMENT | FARM | EQUIPMENT | LIVESTOCK | POULTRY |
|----------------|-------|-----------|---------------|----------|
| BULBS | FARM | MACHINERY | NURSERY STOCK | SWAPS |
| FARM FOR SALE | FIELD | SEEDS | PLANTS | FOR SALE |

HANDY ORDER BLANK

| MICHIGAN FARM NEWS | | | supplier and a second | | | | |
|------------------------------------|------|----|-----------------------|----------|----------|------|-----|
| P. O. Box 960 Lansing, Michigan | | | Date | | | | |
| Please publish my | word | ad | for | . times, | starting | with | the |

April 1 edition. I enclose \$

Classification:

Alcona - Mrs. Elizabeth Mc. importance with the state's bud- Arthur, Harrisville, R-2. Lapeer - Mrs. Enid Maunder. 48 W. Park St., Lapeer. Allegan-Mrs. Ruth DeVer-Lenawee - Mrs. Alice Collins, ville, 227 Hubbard St., Allegan. Adrian, R-1. Alpena-Mrs. Esther Kennedy, Livingston - Mrs. Betty Press-Posen, R-1. er, 214 N. Walnut St., Howell. Antrim-Richard Wieland, Ells-Macomb-Mrs. Madeline Dougas, Washington, R-1. Arenac-Mrs. Ray Simmons, Manistee-Harry Taylor, Cope-Twining. nish, R-1. Baraga-Mrs. Charles Vak, Mason-Elmer L. Fredericks, L'Anse. cottville. Barry-Mrs. Leota Pallas, 121 Menominee-Mrs. Elmer Bu-N. Church St., Hastings. ck, Daggett, R-1. Mecosta—Mrs. Margaret Fitz-Bay - Mrs. Russell Madison. Main and South Henry St., Bay erald, Big Rapids, R-1. City. Midland - Mrs. Roy Varner, Benzie-Mrs. Glenn Robotham, Midland, R-3. Beulah, R-1. Missaukee - Mrs. Bonnie Bur-Berrien - Miss Barbra Foster, kett, McBain, R-1. P. O. Box 113, Berrien Springs. Monroe - Mrs. Viola Eipperle, Branch-Mrs. Belle Newell, 16 8300 Ida West Road, Ida. N. Hanchett St., Coldwater. Montcalm-Mrs. Carl Johnson, Calhoun - Mrs. Harry King, Pierson, R-1. Room 16, Town Hall, Marshall. Montmorency-Mrs. Ervin Far-Cass - Mrs. Verneda Schmok, ier, Hillman. Box 97, Cassopolis. Muskegon - Mrs. Alice Allen, Charlevoix-Mrs. Ivadelle Pen-Bailey, R-1. fold, East Jordan, R-2. Newaygo-Mrs. Carroll Robin-Cheboygan-Mrs. Tom Baker, son, Grant, R-1. Cheboygan. N. W. Michigan --- Mrs. Rose-Chippewa-Mrs. Ernest Peffer, mary King, 144 Hall St., Traverse Pickford. Clare-Mrs. Donald Davis, Oakland-James L. Reid, Mil-Clare, R-2. ford, R-2. Clinton-Mrs. Irma McKenna, Oceana-Mrs. Amil Johnson, 103 E. State St., St. Johns. Shelby, R-2. Ogemaw - Mrs. Arnold Mat-Delta-Clayton Ford, Cornell. thews, Alger, R-1. Osceola—Mrs. Fred A. John-Eaton-Mrs. Dorothy Anderson, 142 S. Pearl St., Charlotte. Emmet-Mrs. Roscoe Williams, son, Hersey, R-1. Otsego - Mrs. Walter Miller, 414 Jackson St., Petoskey. Genesee-Mrs. Gertrude Ret-tig, G-2501 Flushing Rd., Flint. Gaylord, R-2. Ottawa-Mrs. Merle Herrinton, Gladwin-Mrs. Dorothy Badg-Allendale. er, Gladwin, R-3. Presque Isle - Mrs. Herbert Gratiot - Mrs. Wilma Feight, Paull, Hawks. Saginaw-Mrs. Ethel N. Fuller, 128 N. Pine River, Ithaca. Hillsdale-Mrs. Margaret Love-Box 1169, Saginaw. less, 47 S. Howell St., Hillsdale. Fleet, 47 S. Howell St., Hillsdale. Sanilac — Mrs. Mary Ellen Klaty, 237 E. Sanilac St., San-Huron - Mrs. Barbara Bouck, dusky 180 E. Huron St., Bad Axe. Shiawassee - Mrs. Ruth Alex-Ingham-Mrs. Dorothy Surato, ander, Corunna, R-2. 3561/2 S. Jefferson St., Mason. St. Clair-Mrs. Beulah Burows, 81047 N. Main, Memphis. Ionia - Mrs. Lester Covert, 1111/2 N. Depot St., Ionia. St. Joseph-Mrs. Beulah Timm, Isabella - Mrs. Marie Farnan, Centerville. 301 E. Pickard St., Mt. Pleasant. Tuscola-Miss Loretta Kirkpat-Iosco-Mrs. William Herriman, rick, Box 71, Caro Tawas City. Van Buren - Mrs. Katherine Jackson - G. E. Williams, Johanson, 123 Paw Paw St., Law-Springport, R-1. rence. Washtenaw — Mrs. Emma B. Howeison, 109½ E. Washington, Kalamazoo - Mrs. Mabel K. Bacon, Kalamazoo, R-5. Kalkaska-Mrs. Esther Dunlap, Office 4, Ann Arbor. Kalkaska, R-1. Wayne-Mrs. Robert Simmons, Kent-Mrs. Arvil Heilman, 204 51140 Geddes Road, Belleville. Kerr Bldg., 6 28th St. S. E., Wexford-Mrs. Richard Brehm. Tustin, R-2. Grand Rapids 8.

YOU can join the 70,000 Club by getting another member.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

I hereby apply for membership in the County Farm Bureau, Michigan Farm Bureau, and the American Farm Bureau, and agree to pay the annual membership dues of \$10.00.

It is agreed that 40 cents of this sum shall be for a year's subscription to the Michigan Farm News; that \$1.00 is to be applied as my annual dues to the American Farm Bureau Federation of which 25 cents is for a year's subscription to the Nation's Agriculture.

(Check One)

| Have you ever been a member of Farm Bureau? | 🗋 New 🗋 Renewal 🗌 Transfer |
|---|----------------------------|
| NAME (print) | Applicant |
| Post Office | |
| Road Address | |
| Township | |
| SIGN HERE | |
| | |

RECEIPT FOR DUES

1

RECEIVED \$10.00 in payment of County Farm Bureau, Michigan Farm Bureau and American Farm Bureau dues for 1957 from this applicant:

ADDRESS

NAME

Signed

Address

Complete the application and mail it to your County Farm Bureau Secretary, together with member's dues.

| ********* | 100 | Give | Receipt | for | 1 |
|-----------|----------|------|---------|-----|---|
| | a series | | | | |

See page 7 for address of your County Farm Bureau Secretary.

Dues.

Thank You For Your Help

Michigan Farm News

Membership Worker

Local vs. State Control of School Policies

Community Farm Bureau Discussion Topic for March

Background Material for Program in March by 1602 Community Farm Bureau Discussion Groups

> DONALD D. KINSEY Coordinator of Education and Research

Opinions are in sharp conflict over school reorganization policy. Local people have become very unhappy over the degree of control involved in this program by state administrative officials.

On the other hand, state officials have the responsibility of administering state laws and regulations as they are written. In the allocating of state-aid funds for schools, they are charged with a duty. They must see that equal educational opportunity for children and youth is provided in all areas.

The clash comes over the degree of authority that should be exercised by the state department as compared to local school authorities and the local citizens.

Michigan has a rapidly changing scene. Populations are growing and shifting. Industries are expanding. Worker families are overflowing areas that were once uninvaded farming districts. As pupils fill local classrooms to the bursting point, new schools become needed.

Transportation has changed the picture and brought problems, too. Rural pupils go by bus to the town and city schools. Conflicts sometimes arise over whether some districts are bearing a fair share of the financial load for school buildings and operation. These conflicts are a natural product of our rapidly changing world in Michigan.

Farm Bureau Position. In the annual meeting of the Michigan Farm Bureau in November 1956, the delegates from the County Farm Bureaus declared:

"While we believe that school sent conflict: district consolidation has proved useful in providing better edu- full educational opportunity for cational opportunities for the all the children in Michigan. children in many areas, we are aware that annexation and reorgnization of school districts are arousing considerable controversy and ill-will in some communities throughout the state.

"We insist that the rights of among the population. the people in all districts to come to their own conclusions regarding these matters should be safeguarded. Certainly state-aid should never be used as a club or bait to force or bribe the citizens from state (or federal) funds, of any district to become a part of then a certain amount of control any school district against their over policies regarding their use will.

"Therefore, we will resist any

The people of the rural districts It is questionable whether the division of authority can be stab- fear that the annexing high ilized as long as conditions con- school districts will close the tinue to change as rapidly as they local elementary district schools, requiring the transportation of are now doing. small children to the town for Nevertheless, it becomes neceslong periods of the day. sary that local people carry on

the fight to maintain the fullest degree of authority possible over ocal programs. Without such a fight it can be possible that they

may lose all authority over local government and school policies. They are right in their efforts to keep a home rule program to the fullest degree.

Some Areas Where They Don't Agree

The problem is often brought into sharp focus today by the fact that many of the town or city high schools are clamping down. They have been accepting pupils from rural districts on a tuition basis. Some now refuse to do so without annexing the districts from which the pupils come. They

complain that the sending districts are not doing their full share to build the schools and operate them.

They say that they need the tax support and the valuations of the property in these sending districts both to get local millage and to gain a better share of the state-aid funds. They need it to carry the increasing pupil loads that are coming from the surrounding districts.

One of the strongest protests that come from the people in the rural school districts is this: They strongly resist, in some cases, the effort to force annexations or reorganization alignments under the threat of losing their state-aid funds when the local people have decided on one combination of districts and the state department another.

They protest the refusal of the state department to approve the organization of districts desired by the local citizens, and the present power of the courts to are expressed: force them to go against their own choices in the matter.

Some school districts need more funds to accomplish this than can which would require them to at- through grade 12. 2. Providing schools should be tach to an approved high school to the people, and with a fair dis-

tribution of the school tax burden state-collected funds as time has

gone by. 4. If such monies are to come cannot be avoided. Without such control, madequate use of the

Such a closing, in many cases,

would be unavoidable. Under their deeds, many of the rural district schools could no longer be used. They contain clauses that revert the property to the farm from which they were orginally allotted when the building is no longer used as a school.

Some of the buildings would not be as up-to-date as desired by the administration of the newly organized system. So the building might be lost, both as a school and as a neighborhood center.

The law providing for school district annexations is Act 269 of the Public School Acts of 1955. The opponents of the present reorganization policy say that it makes annexation compulsory and leaves local people no voice in deciding on the plan of reorganization.

One question that bothers many people is the matter that arises when local people show deep concern over the policies of the local elemntary school proprogram, but fail to show the same concern for their voice in the high school program.

independent districts separate from the high school system, they have no voice in the school policies in the systems to which they are sending their children of high school age. It seems that the interest of the people should

State Department Tells Position

In a letter from a official of the State Department of Public Instruction the following viewpoints

"The State Department has no set plan for reorganizing school districts in Michigan. We assume, They want the right to operate however, that an adequate school a reorganized elementary district program will be provided for all without having force applied children from kindergarten

"Common sense would suggest done with the lowest possible cost district, in some cases. They re- that school district should have gard such decisions as a violation sufficient property valuation and of the rights of local people to enough pupils to allow for financtheir local option and the author- ing and operating a school econ-3. School districts have sought ity over their own school pro- omically. Sometimes proposed and have depended upon more grams. They look upon this as district reorganizations lack these "too great a centralization of fundamental needs. State appower" in the hands of the State proval would have to consider Department of Public Instruction. such matters.

maulck3

"We have no opposition to | for school programs is adminis- by Mrs. Grace Hawley. rural schools. A reorganized dis- tered by government departments?

(Continued from Page 4)

trict may contain a high school and a number of elementary schools throughout the district. And if administration is properly, ditions, without asking for more developed, local citizens can than can actually be granted? share in the planning, control and set the standards by which "equal support of the whole school proeducational opportunity" for gram, rather than just a part of school children in Michigan will be made available? Should it be

"We do not see how rural disdone by local authories, or by the trict people can say that the state State Department of Public Inis penalizing them for maintainstruction? ing their own schools. Actually 3. If you feel that state control the non-high school districts in oversteps a fair degree of author-Michigan are now receiving more ity in school reorganization matstate funds per child then are the ters, in what ways does the state high school districts. In addition apply more authority than you to the membership allowance believe they should use? they also get part of their tuition charges.

Activities of Women of "We have no quarrel, nor do **Michigan Farm Bureau** we desire one, with rural people over school policy. We wish to allow for school reorganization chairmen are invited to send me wherever it will do teh job that is your news items for this column. needed.

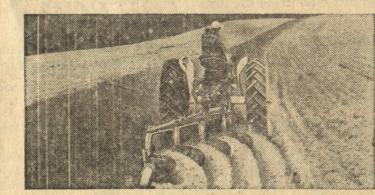
"It is true that the Superintendent of Public Instruction must approve all annexations and reorganizations. To date he has not denied any proposal which measured up to reasonable standards that would provide adequate schools. In fact, he has approved some against his own better judgment because local people insisted. The Department still wants to work with local people on any reasonable basis.'

There we have it! We go back to our original question as to whom shall have the power to set standards for the schools and determine the policies for school organization and annexation. At present the laws give much of the power of decision to the Superintendent of Public Instruction. He is charged under the Constitution to promote the establishment of adequate educational programs for children, youth, and adults. He has to do his duty as he sees it under the law.

But many feel that the law now gives him too much power, and that the balance of power has been taken away from the people. Wherever governments administer funds, some strings are tied to them. There is the issue

Questions

1. How much local control over school reorganizatiion policy can be held while much of the money



The ladies decided on a mock 26. Elton Smith of Caledonia was bake sale to raise money, and elected to the board of directors made plans for the County Farm to succeed Albert Shellenbarger How much local control should be maintained under these con- Bureau Institute. January 30th of Lake Odessa, who retired.

meeting in March.

we served a potluck lunch at the Institute. We have agreed on rules for 2. Who should have authority to our committees. School reorganization is the topic chosen for our

> **Knirk Heads** Farm Bureau Mutual

Blaque Knirk of Quincy was re-elected president and Kenneth Johnson of Freeland was reelected vice-president of the Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company at the annual meeting of policyholders at Lansing Feb. 27. Elton Smith of Caledonia was elected to the board of directors to succeed Albert Shellenbarger of Lake Odessa, who retired.

DeRuiter Heads Life Company

Menominee County women Ren A. DeRuiter of McBain was have held two meetings since the first of the year. In January rere-elected president and Dale ports of the 1956 Michigan Farm Dunckel of Williamston was Bureau Convention were given elected vice-president of the by Mrs. Helen Good, and for the Farm Bureau Life Insurance Michigan Farm Bureau Institute Company at the annual meeting

> **OPEN CENTER REAR TRACTOR TIRE** MORE SHEER DRAWBAR PULL DOUBLE BITE TREAD NO SIDE-SLIP OR WHEEL SPIN **Sold by Farmers Petroleum Co-op Distributors**



of stockholders at Lansing Feb

69,978 This Issue

mailed to subscribers March 1.

None better!

UNICO

- 2-oz. zinc coated DOUBLE-LIFE bottoms.
- Feeds down without clogging.
- Prevents feed waste.
- Heavy 2-way lid, slides for easy accessibility.



SEE YOUR FARM BUREAU DEALER FOR ALL YOUR FARMING NEEDS

You will be doing this right soon, BUT before you do

Where people are isolated in

extend to the whole school system rather than a part of it.

trends which would deprive citizens of their district of the rights to exercise a proper degree of home rule and local control in determining what type of school district they feel is best for them and their children."

Another part of the changing scene in Michigan school programs has been a growth in the percentage of funds allocated for school use from state-collected sources. State authority over local school policy began to cast its shadow over local authority at the time when this practice started. And with the change began the conflicts over the degree of authority each should be allowed.

It is most certainly true that in a country where the people govern themselves, the fullest degree of local authority must be maintained. Without it, self-government losses its meaning.

Points That Bear On Conflict

funds and improper balance of distribution could occur. 5. The question then becomeshow much local control vs. centralized government controls is proper where school funds are being administered by government departments?

1. We need good school and a

be raised locally.

There are powerful citizens groups that believe that the state department should have power over reorganization policies when a district receives grants of stateaid for the schools.

On the other extreme we have groups in school districts that want to keep the full local control, even though state money is being accepted and used. A middle ground viewpoint is

held by some who wish to see as much authority retained by local citizens and school officials as is possible under the circumstances.

With conditions changing rapidly, populations in rapidly shifting conditions, and schools asking for more state money constantly, it is hard to get the level of authority established on a stabilized basis. So the problem

Yet, we may have to consider some points that bear on the pre- and the conflict keeps growing.

Discussion Topics

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

March through August, 1957

- Mar. Will Local Government be Lost to State Regulation?
- Apr. How Shall Michigan Finance its Growing School Needs?
- Agriculture under a Complete Socialist Pro-May gram. What Would it be Like?
- How Tax Assessments are Determined. Jun. Would Taxes be Higher or Lower under a County Tax Assessor?
- Trends in the Middle West. How they Jul. Affect the United States.
- Are Michigan Secondary Roads Getting Aug. Their Proper Share of the Monies Collected?

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



Farm Bureau Open Formula

CHICK STARTER **CRUMBLES 20%**

To be sure your chicks remain healthy and grow vigorously, feed them Farm Bureau Chick Starter Crumbles 20%, fortified with Bifuran. They contain the right balance of proteins, minerals, and vitamins to encourage the rapid formation of sturdy bones and ample flesh.

These Crumblies are another in the line of Open Formula Farm Bureau feeds that let you get the most out of your feed dollar.

 Fortified with Bifuran, to promote growth and to act as a coccidiostat.



See your local Farm Bureau dealer about his line of "Open Formula" feeds. He has a feed for every one of your needs.

FEED DEPARTMENT

Lansing, Mich. Farm Bureau Services, Inc. be sure you

TEST YOUR SOIL FIRST!

• As soon as the soil thaws take soil samples. Get your soil sample bags from your Farm **Bureau Dealer. He has them, FREE!**

Results of soil tests may be misleading UN-LESS the sample tested truly represents the whole field. Follow the simple instructions found on Farm Bureau's soil sample bag and you won't go wrong.

Take the sample to your soil testing laboratory at the County Agent's office or County Farm Bureau office. Follow the recommendations of the test to get the most out of your fertilizer dollar.

ORDER YOUR FERTILIZER EARLY -

1-To get the proper analysis. 2-To save handling. 3-To save money.

Getting your fertilizer early permits hauling before road weight restrictions set in.

NITROGEN . . . Top dress wheat with nitrogen. Insure a good wheat crop in spite of a poor start last fall.

FARM BUREAU Bulk Fertilizer is available from Kalamazoo and Saginaw plants. Use bulk, save money! See your dealer!



Fertilizer Department

BUREAU SERVICES, INC., LANSING FARM