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Hodge Says Let's Finish the Job on March 14!

EDITORIAL

There IS a Point of No Return

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The confusion and conflict over the proposed lowering of dairy price supports from 83% of parity to 75% April 1, 1958, and the resulting political maneuvering in Congress, raises some formidable questions.

Is the persistent contention over perpetuation of commodity supports demonstrating that the Government can vary politically determined price levels only in one direction,—upward?

If so, how near to the point of no return to a private enterprise economy has the price support and subsidy program carried the American farmer?

Have we reached a stage in government encroachment on farm operations that the trend toward still more controls and growing bureaucratic interference in farm operations cannot be reversed?

These questions were prompted by some recent contacts in dairy and Farm Bureau meetings.

The Michigan Farm Bureau Board of Directors, with the help of its Advisory Committee of Dairy Farmers, said January 31 that government-determined price levels are largely responsible for the price problem in the dairy industry. The Board of Directors' resolution is on Page 6 of this edition.

Both the Michigan Milk Producers Association and the Michigan Branch of the Mid-West Producers' Creameries, Inc. have officially taken a strong stand against the lowering of dairy supports April 1 by the Secretary of Agriculture. That is his endeavor to prevent dairy surpluses from increasing and still further impairing the future of dairy farmers.

After listening to the discussions by both dairy groups, I felt that these substantial dairy farmers and their officials took this action with a considerable degree of reluctance.

They did not seem to relish the idea of continuing to look to the Government for the determination of dairy income, and evidently preferred competitive markets as strongly as ever as the outlet for their product.

Yet, these responsible dairy organizations are opposing efforts to bring price supports more in conformity with supply and demand.

This constrained action by responsible dairy farm spokesmen demonstrates the growing dependence upon the Federal Treasury for farm income. It is typical of the mounting problems that unsound policies enacted in previous years have brought upon the dairy industry. They have aggravated the serious dangers and complications in the present situation. They indicate the stranglehold a government-controlled agriculture has gained on the farmer's operations.

It exemplifies the malignancy of government price fixing and subsidies.

Such policies constitute an insidious economic malady. If not reversed they will most certainly result eventually in limiting dairy production and will probably lead to the allotment of the number of cows the individual farmer may keep.

Substitutes and synthetic products will be encouraged, as has been experienced by the cotton growers. Some of them are now asking for lower supports and are endeavoring to recover the market for their product and grow sufficient volume to continue producing cotton.

Their request has been denied because it would neutralize the Government's efforts to remove land from production through the soil bank. The Department of Agriculture cannot move in opposite directions at the same time.

The virulence of the regimented disease into which the farmer has been regimeted is further illustrated by the federal Government's action against Mr.

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70,610 by MARCH 14th

LET'S PULL TOGETHER and REACH OUR GOAL!

To All Members of Farm Bureau:

Membership provides strength for your Farm Bureau. It is for the membership that all Farm Bureau programs are built.

March 14 we shall have a state-wide one day membership drive. The goal will be to enroll 1,300 members and bring our Michigan Farm Bureau to 70,610 or more families. We urge every member to cooperate in this final drive to reach our goal for 1958.

In times like these it is good to know that farmers have at their service a Farm Bureau dedicated to advancing and protecting farmers' interests and freedoms.

Ten years of continuous growth in membership is the evidence that farmers are determined to speak for themselves through Farm Bureau.

Let's continue to build! Let's sign 1,300 or more members March 14. Let's have 70,610 or more members. We thank you for your help.

Sincerely yours,
The Board of Directors
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Time for Decision is Drawing Near in the Legislature

March 5 Hundreds of Bills Offered to Legislature Will Die

STANLEY M. POWELL
Legislative Counsel for Michigan Farm Bureau

Things at the state capitol are in a mess. The situation is fully as confused at the Legislature as it was when I reported a month ago. The only difference is that the time of ultimate decision is drawing just that much closer.

The main excitement now concerns the fate of hundreds of bills which will die automatically in committee unless they are reported favorably from committee by March 5.

For a time it had looked as though the legislative grist at this session would be rather moderate. The final week for introduction of bills new proposals were dumped into the hopper by the hundreds.

The total now stands at 912 bills proposing new laws or amendments to existing statutes. There are also 18 proposed constitutional amendments and scores of resolutions on a great variety of subjects.

One committee before whom I testified Feb. 26 had 75 bills pending. These are measures which have been referred to them and regarding which they had as yet reached no conclusion. The committee may meet only once more before the March 5 deadline, so it is obvious that the big majority of these bills will die in committee.

Individual Senators and Representatives and legislative committees are under tremendous pressure from a horde of lobbyists and state-wide organizations. Some members are receiving letters by the hundreds on highly controversial issues.

71,300 This Edition
copies of the Michigan Farm News were mailed to subscribers.

They have had committee clerks, pages and other legislative employees opening and tabulating these communications. Probably few of those letters will ever receive an answer.

Under these circumstances, legislative tempers frequently wear thin and the spirit of courteous good fellowship is not always in evidence.

State Budget. Back of, and over-shadowing, all the bickering and pulling and hauling on the hundreds of bills of less general interest lies the all-pervading issue of what to do about the budget. It reminds one of the rhetorical question, "What happens when an irresistible force meets an immovable object?"

The legislators are faced with making financial provision for Michigan's departments, institutions and aid programs. Many of them are determined that there shall be no new tax or raise in the rate of an existing levy.

In the face of declining state revenues and inflationary trends which are reducing the purchasing power of a dollar, the situation presents baffling problems for which no one yet appears to have a generally acceptable answer.

The public schools seem to be the most favored governmental

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One Day Drive for 1,300 Members

Farm Bureau President Tells Workers They Have Enrolled 3,000 in a Day Many Times in Their Campaigns

WARD G. HODGE
President of Michigan Farm Bureau

I am proclaiming Friday, March 14 as Farm Bureau Membership Goal Day for all of us.

We need 1,300 more members to reach our goal of 70,610 for 1958. We have enrolled more than 3,000 members in one day many times in our membership campaigns.

Let's get that 1,300 March 14. There are many times that number who could be members of Farm Bureau.

There are probably a thousand or more of our friends who haven't renewed their membership by mail and haven't been reached yet by membership workers. If you know one of those persons, ask him to renew his Farm Bureau membership for 1958.

We have enrolled a total of 69,310 families, and that includes 5,304 new members. We believe a well organized one day drive will put us over goal. Several thousand membership workers in 67 County Farm Bureaus will be taking part.

26 County Farm Bureaus are over goal now. They have been invited to take part in this drive.

41 County Farm Bureaus are under goal. Some need less than 25. All of them are sending membership workers out March 14, and invite all members to help.

Every Farm Bureau member is invited to use the Membership Application in the Michigan Farm News to enroll a member.

We have very good prospects for being the first state Farm Bureau in the nation to make our goal for 1958. All we need to do is get 1,300 more members . . . either new or renewals.

I invite every Farm Bureau membership worker and every individual member to help finish the 1958 membership campaign on Friday, March 14.

Thank you for your help.

COUNTIES OVER GOAL

Number Over Goal	Number Over Goal	Number Over Goal
Tuscola 45	Livingston 18	Macomb 4
Van Buren 48	Clare 17	Alcona 4
Sanilac 40	Lapeer 10	Ionia 2
Manistee 40	Gladwin 9	Presque Isle 2
Genesee 35	St. Joseph 8	Kalkaska 2
Huron 30	Missaukee 8	Oceola 1
Montmorency 24	Washtenaw 7	Oceana 0
Ingham 23	Cheboygan 7	Wexford 0
Benzie 20	Midland 5	

Need up to 25 for Goal

Arenac 3	Isabella 13	Oakland 20
Kalamazoo 5	Mason 16	Delta 21
Emmet 9	Chippewa 16	NW Mich. 23
Iosco 9	Otsego 17	Alcona 23
Charlevoix 11	Monroe 18	Baraga 25
Ogemaw 11	Antrim 18	

Need 26 to 50

Shiawassee 28	Muskegon 33	St. Clair 45
Calhoun 29	Bay 43	Hillsdale 48
Wayne 29	Saginaw 45	

Need 51 to 75

Jackson 52	Menominee 57	Kent 63
Mecosta 57	Berrien 59	Cass 69
Newaygo 57	Barry 65	Clinton 71
		Gratiot 72

Need 76 to 100

Ottawa 78	Montcalm 86	Allegan 98
Eaton 80	Branch 88	

Need 101 to 150

Lenawee 112



Call to Action

PRESIDENT WARD HODGE has called upon every member of Farm Bureau to invite a friend to membership March 14 in our one-day effort to get 1,300 members to reach our goal of 70,610 families for 1958.

Insurance Companies' Mailing to Members

Within 10 days all Farm Bureau members will receive a copy of "1957 Reports of Progress" from the Farm Bureau Insurance Companies.

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PURPOSE OF FARM BUREAU

The purpose of this Association shall be the advancement of our members' interests educationally, legislatively and economically.



Soliloquy

I am thinking this morning of Hicks Street
And the neighbors and friends who are there.
No doubt it is slippery, or sloppy;
Most likely there's snow in the air:
And I'm happy down here in the sunshine
So why should I wonder or care.

The people I know here are friendly
And sharply intelligent, too.
There are casual contacts aplenty.
Fast friendships, as always, are few.
And always we're busily doing
The things that retired people do.

We shell at the beach on occasion.
We fish in the river or bay.
We ramble at will in the country,
Not venturing too far away.
We play — at Canasta or Scrabble
And at bed time we call it a day.

The weather is up for discussion
Wherever two people are met.
Big fish stories, often familiar,
One more repetition will get.
Sometimes it's a little depressing!
But nobody's died of it yet.

There's little that's really exciting.
We watch for the mailman to come.
It's nice to be idle and happy
But sometimes that wearies me some.
So I'm thinking of Hicks Street this morning.
I wonder what's doing back home.

R. S. Clark
Rivers Edge Tourist Park
North Fort Myers, Florida

of quality and the elimination of unprofitable animals and inefficient farm operations.

(4) Research for the discovery and application of more economical and effective market systems, and new uses for agricultural products.

All these and other constructive programs merit much greater support on the part of producers, processors, and distributors.

There is reason for encouragement in the announcement by the American Farm Bureau Federation of a more realistic formula for the determination of price support levels in place of the parity concept.

This is computed on the basis of 90% of the weighted average market prices during the preceding three-year period. Tying price supports to recent average markets instead of to parity should facilitate the establishment of supports more in keeping with market demand, and help reduce burdensome surpluses and improve net farm income.

Secretary Roger Fleming of the American Farm Bureau Federation told the Agriculture Committee of the House in Congress that the parity formula "never was designed to indicate what either prices or price supports should be under current market conditions."

"The American Farm Bureau's new and forward-looking proposal is easily understood. It is a simplified approach. It gets away from complicated formulas and gadgets. It avoids giving the Secretary of Agriculture complete discretion in regard



Rural Safety Leader

ROGER FOERCH was elected vice-president of the Michigan Rural Safety at the annual meeting Farmers Week. John Polting of the State Grange is president. Richard Pfister, safety specialist at Michigan State University, is secretary-treasurer.
Mr. Foerch is coordinator of Safety & Insurance Relations for the Michigan Farm Bureau. He is in charge of safety surveys being conducted by County Farm Bureaus regarding farm accidents. He was appointed by Governor Williams to the Traffic Safety Action Committee in 1956, and represents the Farm Bureau on state, regional, and national farm safety high-way safety programs.

Community Farm Bureaus

CLARE L. MCGHAN
Coordinator of Community Farm Bureaus for MFB

The past couple of months we have had the pleasure of meeting with more than half of the county Community Group Committees. It has been interesting to note that the committees who have the responsibility for the promotion and maintenance of Community Farm Bureaus within their county have a very positive and optimistic attitude toward the future of the Community Farm Bureau Program.

discussion material, resource people and the appointment of a committee to do specific research.

Thomas Jefferson said, "Democracy will not live long with an uninformed people."

We cannot afford to use the excuse that we cannot come to an opinion about a certain issue because we don't know enough about it.

2. Policy Recommending. It is not good enough for a Community Farm Bureau member to just find out the facts about the issue. They should make some recom-

mendations. These recommendations should go to either or all of the following places: (a) County resolutions committee, (b) County Farm Bureau Annual, (c) County Farm Bureau Board.

A community group in making their policy recommendations should feel so strongly about them that they will follow them through to completion. As the Community Farm Bureaus accept this responsibility will Farm Bureau be a truly "grass roots" organization.

3. Problem solving. Too often Community Farm Bureaus find out the facts and make recommendations and leave it up to the Farm Bureau staffs in Lansing and Washington to solve the problems. Many problems should be solved on a local level. Not only would the solution be better, but also cheaper.

One of the ways that problems can be solved on the local level is through contact and correspondence with local government agencies. The Legislative Minute Men come under this area of problem solving.

In a Community Farm Bureau group the Minute Men can bring the group information on state and national legislation and get members of the group to contact their state and national representatives. This is one of the most important jobs in a Community Farm Bureau.

Legislative action is one of the basic reasons for having a Community Farm Bureau Group.

The last area but not the least in importance is the community service project area. This is where the Community Farm Bureau Group can make its community a better place in which to live.

We can add several more reasons for having Community Farm Bureaus such as social and educational activities, etc. But we believe that if the Community Farm Bureaus do an effective job in the three areas listed above it would make this whole program worthwhile.

How does your group score in the above areas?

We hope that all of you who read this are attending a Community Farm Bureau. Only by participating in a Community Farm Bureau will your opinions be worthwhile in Farm Bureau.

Your ideas are needed. Why not take the opportunity that Farm Bureau affords you through the Community Farm Bureau Program to help your Farm Bureau be the farmers organization that will meet the challenges of the future?

GOLD STAR AWARD

January
Progressive Farmers Group, Lapeer county, Mrs. Carol A. Dehnurt, Secretary.

SILVER STAR AWARD

January
Nicholson Hill II Group, Alpena county, Mrs. Felix LaBonte, Secretary.

Silver City Group, Alpena county, Mrs. Charles Rouleau, Secretary.

SILVER STAR AWARD

December
McIver Group, Iosco county, Almeda Norris, Secretary.

Edward A. O'Neal

Edward A. O'Neal, 82, of Florence, Alabama, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation from 1931 through 1947 died February 26. Mr. O'Neal was vice-president of the AFBF 1928-31, and was a former president of the Alabama Farm Bureau.

Buy Farm Bureau Feeds.

EDITORIAL

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Stanley Yankus, Jr., a Farm Bureau member in Pokagon township, Cass county, for exceeding his wheat allotment in growing feed for his poultry.

Mr. Yankus has been notified that he owes the Government over \$3,800 in penalties. He says he has refused to pay because his constitutional rights are being violated.

Beaman Smith of Montmorency county paid a penalty of \$1.12 per bushel of wheat grown in excess of his allotment. It was used for poultry feed.

Fortunately, there are strong, voluntary forces devoted to removing the causes of this deterioration of our farm economy toward a complete government-regimented agriculture. They are dedicated to programs for the reduction of market-depressing surpluses and to restore a sound basis of market supply and demand. These include:

- (1) The successful efforts of the American Dairy Association to increase the consumption of dairy products.
- (2) The promotion of increased consumption of animal products being carried on through the cooperation of producers, packers, and distributors.
- (3) Educational activities for the improvement

FB Mutual Adds 2 New Insurances

Nile Vermillion, manager of the Farm Bureau Insurance Companies, has announced the addition of motor truck cargo insurance, and all risks personal articles insurance.

The new coverages have been given to the agency force and are now available to Farm Bureau members.

Motor truck cargo insurance protects farmers and truckers for loss or damage to any cargo they transport. It covers cargo damaged by fire, lightning, windstorm, collision, over-turning, and many other hazards. Theft coverage is available also.

All risks personal articles insurance covers loss to such personal property as musical instruments, jewelry, furs, cameras and projection equipment, guns, boats and outdoor motors.

Milk Cooler

Sold 8 can Steinhorst cooler and some milk cans advertised in Farm News Feb. 1. John Morrish, Jr., 7335 Potter Road, Flushing.

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That's why he says that one of the most important parts of his job is "fixing trouble before it happens."
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Their feeling is definitely that the Community Farm Bureaus are very important to the future of the Michigan Farm Bureau. In meeting with these committees we have reviewed with them some of the purposes for Community Farm Bureaus. Three of the basic purposes are:

1. Fact Finding. In our judgment a Community Farm Bureau should be in the role of fact finding. Finding the facts of various problems and issues that concern farmers. A group can do this through the help of the dis-

Needed:

"General Practitioners" in Transportation

Today, public policies place artificial and severe restrictions upon the opportunity of any one form of transportation, such as railroads, to serve the public through the use of other means of transportation, such as that by highway, waterway or airway.

Yet, in other industries, diversification of products has become common, and has proved beneficial both to those industries and to the public.

Why shouldn't our transportation agencies, too, be allowed to benefit by diversification?

Clearly, diversification would be to the advantage of the nation's shippers. They could then arrange for their transportation through a single transport company which could utilize any or all means of carriage needed to do the particular job at hand most efficiently. That's why the railroads ask for removal of present artificial limitations.

They seek only the same opportunity as anyone else to enter into other fields of transportation. Then they could become "general practitioners" in transportation — using a wide variety of facilities to serve you more efficiently.

Isn't this common sense?

ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN RAILROADS
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Top Hat Club --- 1958 Roll Call

They Hustle To Be Over Goal Early

Roll Call managers of the first 10 County Farm Bureaus to make their membership goal for 1958 are the Michigan Farm Bureau's TOP HAT CLUB for the year.

At the right are photographs of the Top Hat Club for 1958. Benzie County Farm Bureau was the first to reach goal, Manistee was second, and so on from left to right.

Members of the Top Hat Club received awards from the Michigan Farm Bureau which can be used in their Farm Bureau membership work.

The Roll Call managers in this group gave credit to their membership workers for the fine records made by these County Farm Bureaus.

Benzie, Manistee, Gladwin, Sanilac County Farm Bureaus were also among the first ten to reach membership goal in 1957.

Roll Call Managers of First 10 Counties to Make Goal



Actions Taken At Dairyland Ann'l Meeting

Members of Dairyland Cooperative Creamery which operates plants at Carson City and Greenville, approved a number of resolutions pertinent to the dairy industry at their 1958 annual meeting Jan. 24 at Carson City.

With respect to marketing, the members urged enactment of the dairy industry proposed self-help program which has been before Congress for several past sessions.

But until a workable program can be devised they urged an effective price support program at 1957 levels, to provide producers' returns in proper balance with current economic levels.

The members commended Dairyland's management for steering a straight course through the recent marketing turmoil, and complimented all who con-

tributed in raising the farm-price of Detroit area milk by more than \$9 million over the Federal Order price within the past 16 months.

The members assessed themselves a half cent per pound butterfat and two cents per hundred of milk on a 12-month basis, for American Dairy Association advertising and sales promotion to further dairy products usage.

They recommended continuation of the Federal Special School Milk Program.

With respect to operation of their dairy farms, Dairyland's members urged that Michigan adopt uniform statewide requirements and reciprocal inspection of a farm's water supply.

They also urged state appropriations to maintain tuberculosis and brucellosis control programs and to expand research on leptospirosis and other dairy animal diseases.

Secretary-Manager Fred Walker announced a sales increase in packaged milk products of 20 percent for 1957 over 1956. He told members their average return, at time of shipping whole milk, was 26 cents per hundred higher for 1957 than 1956. The

1957 average was \$4.54 per 100 pounds.

The membership voted for directors by mail. The results were read at the meeting. These directors were re-elected in 1958 to serve three years: Henry Tabor, Hubbardston; Carleton Wilson, Carson City; John L. Brown, St. Johns.

Young People Have Much Planned in '58

CLARE MCGHAN
Coordinator Young People's Work

Michigan Farm Bureau Young People through the work of 14 state committees have announced a very ambitious program for 1958.

The first major activity was the state-wide officers meeting and spring formal party February 22. Mr. Warren Dulin, program assistant, AFBF, spoke.

Plans are being made for the annual Farm Bureau Young Peo-

ple's Camp to be held again at Clear Lake near Dowling, Michigan, June 18-22. Changes are being made in the camp this year with some outstanding events being added.

The Ionia Cafeteria will operate at the Ionia Fair, August 4-9. The Mid-West Young People's Camp will be held at Chatham in the Upper Peninsula, August 1-3. The Michigan State Fair Apple Juice Project will be held August 21-27 and State Convention will be November 8.

A tour is being planned to the American Farm Bureau Young People's convention at Boston, Massachusetts in December. Plans are being made to visit Washington, D. C., New York, and Niagara Falls, en route.

Besides these activities program ideas are being made which center around the annual Talk Meet and Talent Find contest, Community Service Projects which include Citizenship, Recreation Leadership, Health, Community Beautification, and Safety.

Market Basket, Resolution, Membership, District Meetings, and county activities are also on the very busy schedule of the

Michigan Farm Bureau Young People.

Irrigation System

Sold complete irrigation system for two acres and strawberry planter and equipment advertised in January and February Michigan Farm News. Your medium is wonderful. Harry G. McKnight, Jackson.



Order Seed Early, Get What You Want

Carter Harrison, farm crops specialist at Michigan State University, says farmers should order the varieties of grass seeds they want or they may have to settle for something else.

Grass seed will be in plentiful supply. Legume seed could be a little tight. Production was down in the north and south central states, but up in the west where fields were irrigated.

California produced more than half of 155 million pounds of alfalfa seed in 1957. Alfalfa seed

production in Michigan was 350,000 pounds.

Corn Belt Moves South

Reduced cotton allotments and a reasonably attractive corn price-support program have contributed to further movement of corn production into new areas. Thirty-eight counties were added to the commercial corn area for 1958, including 9 in Alabama; 5 in Florida; 14 in Georgia; 2 in South Carolina; 5 in Virginia; 1 in Missouri and 2 in Michigan.

Buy Farm Bureau feed.

Keep Stairs Clear and Safe

Make way for a safe trip by clearing all stair steps of brooms, pails, and old magazines. Surveys show that cluttered stairways are a leading cause of home falls.

For safety, be sure your stairways are solid underfoot. Repair loose boards and shaky handrails. Be especially careful of unprotected nails, worn carpets and rubber treads on stairways.

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FREE 100% Protection for your chicks for the first 6 weeks



if you feed 'em Farm Bureau's Hi-Efficiency 20% Chick Starter Crumbles

GET YOUR CHICKS OFF to a flying start and keep them eating and thriving on this sensational new Farm Bureau feed. It contains a coccidiostat, as well as all the essential requirements to give your chicks more "Get up and Grow."

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THESE GROWING MASHES will provide daily feeding with proper protein, energy balance, thus satisfying energy requirements more quickly. These mashies have been formulated to enable you to hurdle high feed costs while you increase production. They are the pay-off for the care you have given your chicks.

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- DOUBLE-SCREENING provides a more uniform-sized pellet.
- GRANULATION provides plant food in proper proportions.
- HIGH ANALYSIS provides more plant food per pellet.
- BULK FERTILIZER provides savings in time and labor.

TEST YOUR SOIL FIRST!

As soon as your ground thaws take soil samples.

Your County Lab will analyze them and make recommendations. See your Farm Bureau dealer for FREE soil sample bags.

SEEDS

MANY FARMERS are buying seed today because it's cheapest per pound or bushel. If they think they're saving money, let's do a little pencil-pushing over a typical example.

TOM BOUGHT RED CLOVER at \$24.00 per bushel while Dick bought it at \$23.40 per bushel. Tom's lot had 99.50% purity and 91% germination, while Dick's had 98.50% purity and 90% germination.

LET'S DO SOME FIGURING NOW. Price divided by purity times germination shows that both paid 42c per pound of live seed. HOWEVER, Dick's seed had approximately 800 weed seeds per pound. At a seeding rate of 10 lbs. per acre, Dick therefore planted 8,000 weed seeds along with approximately 2,600,000 clover seeds per acre. We'll let you figure out who got the better buy.

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Dairy Price Supports

This Resolution of Policy was adopted by the Board of Directors of the Michigan Farm Bureau January 31, 1958

Confusion, dissatisfaction, and differences of opinion among Michigan farmers over the proposed lowering of dairy price supports from 83% of parity to 75%, April 1, 1958, has resulted from the growing dependence upon government-determined price levels.

The persistent re-enactment of such policies is largely responsible for the present problem in the dairy industry.

The action of the Secretary of Agriculture in attempting to administer the law now in effect constitutes an earnest endeavor to prevent dairy surpluses from increasing and still further impairing the future of dairy farmers.

This board of directors is convinced that the trend toward permanent dependence upon the Government for the determination of the dairy farmer's income and eventual limitation and allotment of production to individual producers must be reversed.

We recognize the mounting problems that unsound policies previously enacted have brought upon the dairy industry. These have aggravated the serious dangers and complications in the present situation.

The present surplus, with the resulting confusion

and conflict, constitutes strong evidence that existing price support legislation is not proving to be an effective method for reducing or eliminating existing surpluses and bringing production into reasonable balance with market demand.

The administration of the price support act is dependent upon discretionary action for the determination of price support levels within statutory limits and enhances the possibility for errors of administrative judgment in their application.

We, therefore, endorse the proposal of the American Farm Bureau Federation to explore the possibilities of a basis for price supports geared to "weighted average market prices" over a specified number of previous years for the commodities under consideration.

The Michigan Farm Bureau Board of Directors recommends that this method be explored in regard to other supported commodities.

We strongly support the conservation reserve portion of the Soil Bank program whereby whole farms can be taken out of production.

This Board urges that every effort be made to develop a more effective method of restoring agriculture to a competitive market basis as the source of the farmer's income, and lessening the interference of government in the affairs of the farmer.

We support the action of the American Farm Bureau Federation in opposing legislation to reinstate the 1957 levels of price supports for dairy products.

Services Calls \$233,000 of Patron Stock

Maynard D. Brownlee, manager of operations, said Feb. 20 that the board of directors of Farm Bureau Services, Inc., has called for retirement \$233,000 worth of co-operative patronage dividend stock.

This amount was issued in 1945 as Class AAA Preferred stock. It will be paid to the owners in cash.

The securities bear a due date of July 1, 1959. They were issued to stockholder members, either corporate or individual, based on their purchases of Farm Bureau supplies during the 1944 business year.

The redemption is 1 1/2 years ahead of time. According to the bylaws of Farm Bureau Services, Inc., the margins or savings effected each year belong to the common stockholder patrons on a patronage basis. Patronage stock issued in this manner is scheduled for retirement 15 years later on a rotation plan.

Commodity representatives of Farm Bureau Services are meeting with the management and boards of directors of farmer co-operatives and dealer associations who are the holders of the majority of this stock dividend. In addition to receiving their checks for the 1945 stock securities, these farmer co-operatives and dealer association personnel will be told about the schedules for the retirement of FBS's patronage dividend securities issued since 1945. The total is \$3,050,000.

The major portion of Farm Bureau Services' working capital comes from patronage dividends retained in the business through the issuance of securities to patrons and members. In addition, local farm co-op-

eratives, dealer associations, and individual farmers have invested more than \$3,000,000 in debentures for the building of two fertilizer manufacturing plants in addition to ownership in other facilities and inventories.

Retirement of the 1945 patronage dividend stock makes the sixth recall of patronage stock on Farm Bureau Services' rotation plan.

AFBF Price Support Plan Stirs Congress

Michigan Congressmen have indicated interest in Farm Bureau's new price support plan for corn and feed grains. The plan would set price support levels of feed grains - oats, rye, barley and grain sorghums - to corn, after adjusting for the differences in feed value and other factors.

In presenting the program to a Subcommittee of the House Committee on Agriculture, Farm Bureau spokesmen made three recommendations:

1. Corn acreage allotments should be terminated.
2. Price supports for corn should be set at 90% of the average farm price for the previous 3-year period.
3. Price supports on other feed grains should be comparable to the corn price support, after adjustment for differences in feed value.

Why Sorghum, Barley Acreages Increased

As a result of acreage restrictions on other crops, and no control of "diverted acres," acreages of sorghums, barley and other feed grains have increased since 1953 by more than 20,000,000 acres. Per-acre yields have also increased greatly.

Right Now in Farm Bureau . . .

JERRY CORDREY
Coordinator of Organization for MFB

The theme is "Goal March 14." The success of the drive depends upon you.

Will you enroll a member on March 14? Membership is 69,310. About 5,300 are new for 1958. We are at 98% of our goal of 70,610. We are 3,000 ahead of last year this date.

We are the first state to show an increase. We can be 1st in the nation over goal!

This is the 12th year for Alpena and 10th for Montmorency to make goal every year since they were organized.

Current activities include: Staff and State Board members from a national meeting on Farm Bureau policies. The Farm Bureau proposal regarding use of the most current 3 year average price of commodities as a basis for a support program to replace the outdated parity concept was discussed.

Also, the necessity for Farm Bureau members actively promoting Farm Bureau policy and taking an active part in the political party of their choice was emphasized.

The Blue Cross Tour to Michigan Hospital Service at Detroit Feb. 12-13 was attended by 120 County Farm Bureau and Blue Cross secretaries. It is amazing

to see the scope of Blue Cross-Blue Shield operations. We saw the 40 ton Datamatric electronic computer just installed. Every day about 25,000 hospital records have to be figured and brought up to date. This machine "reads" the patient's card and does the whole job in two hours.

The membership award trip to Washington, D. C., has been completed. The nine people who attended were nominated by County Farm Bureaus which made goal in 1957.

These folks had the opportunity to visit the American Farm Bureau Federation Washington offices, the Congress and Senate, their own Congressmen, and see some of the historical documents and land marks of our great



Sanilac to Burn Mortgage March 5

Sanilac County Farm Bureau will celebrate the "burning of the mortgage" and have an "open house" at the County Farm Bureau building (above) at 237 Sanilac street, Sandusky, Wednesday evening, March 5.

Farm Bureau members and friends are invited to potluck dinner at 7:30 p.m. Stanley M. Powell will speak. He is legislative council for the Michigan Farm Bureau.

country. They will be available to discuss their trip and experiences with your county or community group. In case you would like to contact them, here are the names by membership region and county:

South West—Mrs. John Walters, Berrien county.
South East—Glenn Lassey, Monroe county.
Central—Art Forbush, Genesee county.
Thumb—Joa Penzien, Macomb county.
West Central—Wayne Johnson, Osceola county.
East Central—Mrs. Wegner, Gladwin county.
North West—Reo Brown, Kalamazoo county.
North East—Leon Abbe, Montmorency county.
Upper Peninsula—Jack McDonald, Chippewa county.

Blue Cross Re-opening for all Farm Bureau members who were paid up prior to January 15 will be held from March 1 to 15. If you desire further information, contact your County Farm Bureau secretary.

District Meetings sponsored by the State Study Committee will be held on the following dates:
District 1—March 13—1 to 4 p.m.
District 2—March 24—1 to 4 p.m.

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Agricultural Research or Bust for Michigan

County Farm Bureau Discussion Topic for March

Background Material for Program in March by Our 1629 Community Farm Bureau Discussion Groups

DONALD D. KINSEY

Coordinator of Education and Research

Michigan farmers who do not support a program of expanding agricultural research in Michigan may be cutting off the dog's tail—just behind the ears!

Any state or industry that falls behind in research soon finds itself outpaced by its competitors. The Russian "sputniks" have brought this home to us.

Michigan is getting itself into just this predicament. Some facts are revealing. There are 19 prominent Michigan crops that bring in 83% of our Michigan farm income.

From 1931 to 1941 Michigan was in a fair competitive position in most of these crops. In fact, twelve of the crops showed an increase as a percentage of the national total marketed.

But from 1941 to date we see an alarming shift! Michigan has been dropping behind in its share in 13 of the 19 crops.

Why? One very good reason is that we are being "out-researched" by competing states. They are putting more money behind their research programs.

The competing states have brought out many new varieties that outshine Michigan's products in the consumer's eye in many cases. They have achieved uniform quality, better processing characteristics, better keeping qualities. The simple fact is that consumers show a preference for them in their purchases.

We Needn't Take Such Losses

Such a loss of the market means millions of dollars annually to Michigan farmers. Michigan once stood at or near the top in many farm products that are now well down the line. Competing states frankly set out to win the market. They have been making good at it. They have put plenty of "sales ballyhoo" behind the effort too.

In the meantime, the state of Michigan has been holding off

the expansion of its agricultural research program. While we have been dropping away in our share of the national production, our population has increased.

This magnifies the extent of our real losses. In 1930, Michigan had 3.9% of the national population. In 1956 it was 4.5%.

It is quite clear that Michigan farm markets are being stolen from under the noses of our farm producers.

Let's Open Our Eyes

Even farmers—shrewd as we

are reputed to be, may be blinded by looking at too narrow a field of facts. Finding that we have over-production in some crops, some have said, "Why have research that will only produce more surpluses?"

Let's raise our sights! Of the 19 crops mentioned rather few are among the surpluses, and some in very small surplus. And remember? These crops bring in 83% of Michigan's farm income. (See Extra Information to your Discussion Leader).

All that Michigan needs to do in agricultural research is to stand still, and in a few years we can be the "low man on the totem pole!"

You cannot turn research on and off—and expect results—any more than you can do it with a dairy herd and expect to meet the needs of the market. You will end up years behind your competitors. Michigan is far enough behind now.

Past Research Has Brought Benefits

Michigan has had many new crop varieties coming from research recently. Some have increased yields, some are improved quality, and some are new disease-resistant strains. All have been vital to Michigan agriculture.

It is startling to realize that at least 75% of the crop varieties now grown in Michigan were not raised here 10 years ago! Suppose research had not given this help. If so, Michigan farmers would be in a serious pickle, indeed—and the consumer would now get poorer food selections at higher prices.

If we cite a few examples—and many could be mentioned in various commodity classes—let's start with blueberries. Blueberries are now a \$4 million a year business in Michigan. Just a few years ago, they grew wild in our swamps. The land in present day blueberry farms was on the tax rolls as almost worthless. Research in blueberry production changed this picture.

RESEARCH has also brought into being six new varieties of Haven peaches. This has extended the season for quality peaches. A much larger portion of the crop can be saved and marketed. More peaches can be produced

before spoilage ruins them. Consumers and growers benefit by a better product.

The development of the Michelite bean has increased the income of Michigan growers by an average of about \$4,200,000 a year. A Gratiot county newspaper states that bean growers in that county have enjoyed an increase of annual income of \$250,000 for a 20-year period. These beans are an improved product for the consumer. Research did it.

Research has been responsible for improvements in dairy herds, meat-type hogs, broad-breasted turkeys, lower cost poultry and egg production, and protection from diseases, parasites, blights and insects. We could go on almost endlessly. The farmer should be thankful, too for research into farm accounting methods.

Research Can Help Recover Our Markets

Are markets available for the taking? Let's take an example. California, Colorado and Washington ship a million dollars worth of cauliflower into Chicago every summer for our Michigan and mid-west markets.

Michigan State University is finding that the soil and the climate of Leelanau county are suited to cauliflower production. The yield should gross growers around \$1,200 an acre. Since transportation cost would be less than from western states, a favorable position for Michigan cauliflower should be assured.

Carrots are another opportunity. Texas ships them here during the winter. Michigan can produce twice the tonnage per acre. Michigan State University is finding that carrots in sandy soil can be dug from under the snow. Snow helps insulate the soil and prevents "freeze in."

Carrots dug in this fashion compare well with the shipped-in varieties. Here is a possible key to capturing a part of the market. It could bring \$1,100 an acre to Michigan growers.

Pickling cucumbers. New strains are being developed at Michigan University. When a new pickle harvester is ready to go, a million dollars can be saved in harvesting costs. This harvester is being worked on now. It will remove the dependence of the farmer on transient pickers. We could extend these cases

into many areas of production and marketing. Actually, you cannot clearly separate production research from marketing research. New varieties often make the market.

Research is needed for new uses for farm crops. Possibilities for industrial use are sadly neglected. Recently national research has found that the castor bean and the safflower contain valuable oils for industrial purposes. These can be raised as crops on many kinds of soils. But much can be done in this direction, especially in Michigan—a highly industrialized state.

Action Is Needed

We should be foolish to allow Michigan to fall behind in basic and applied research. To do so is to surrender our leadership in the agriculture of the nation, and many benefits to Michigan farmers and consumers. To fall would leave us paying the way for farmers in other states while Michigan farmers face declining sales. Michigan farm production should be "tops" in Michigan and the mid-west.

Agricultural Research Pays

It can pay for everyone in Michigan. Research has cost little in terms of its returns. It would take only 2½ cents of each dollar of cash receipts from Michigan farm marketing in 1955 to pay for all the research done at M. S. U. from its beginning to 1955.

Michigan farmers have gained \$312 for every dollar spent on research at M.S.U. since it began.

1958 - Year of Decision

Delay to the research program

will be very costly. Action by citizens is needed now. The program was left high and dry last year. Legislators said "Not now—wait till next year." That "next year" is here.

Your support is needed. So let your voice be heard. Write to the members of the Michigan Senate Appropriations Committee at the State Capital Building, Lansing.

The members of this Committee are—Senators Elmer R. Porter, Frank D. Beadle, Edward Hutchinson, Robert E. Faulkner, Leo H. Roy, Clarence F. Graebner, Arthur A. Dehmel, Charles S. Blundy, and Garland B. Lane.

Write also to the members of the House Ways and Means Committee at the Capital Building. The members of this committee include: Representatives Arnell Engstrom, Harry J. Phillips, James Goulett, Harold W. Hungerford, Cyril H. Root, Ben E. Lohman, Wilfred G. Bassett, Louis Mezano, Frank D. Williams, John M. Sobieski, Carroll C. Newton, James F. Warner and Leslie H. Hudson.

Write as well to your Senator and Representative if they are not on the list above. Urge them to vote through a worth-while increase in Michigan's appropriation for agricultural research.

The money ought to be expanded on a year by year basis for a time. Today we are going to have to run to keep up with our competitors.

Research has a vast variety of crop types to serve in Michigan. More so than in other states. This broadens our need.

You know full well that Michigan farmers will have problems in the future. It will take research to find solutions. And research will take money. It has paid off in the past—it will do so in the

future.

Take action! Write to these Legislators now.

Questions

1. Does your group really want to see an increase appropriation for agricultural research in Michigan enough to support legislation this year?
2. How many members of your group will write to the Senate Appropriations Committee and the House Ways and Means Committee, as well as your own senator and representative?

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Emmet Farm Bureau Rural-Urban Dinner

Three hundred attended Emmet County Farm Bureau's rural-urban dinner Feb. 18. Farm Bureau couples invited a couple from an urban district. M. J. Buschlen, of Farm Bureau Services said that Americans can be thankful that the farm problem concerns surplus rather than want. It's easier to solve problems on a full stomach. He saw a growing population as the main help for farm markets.

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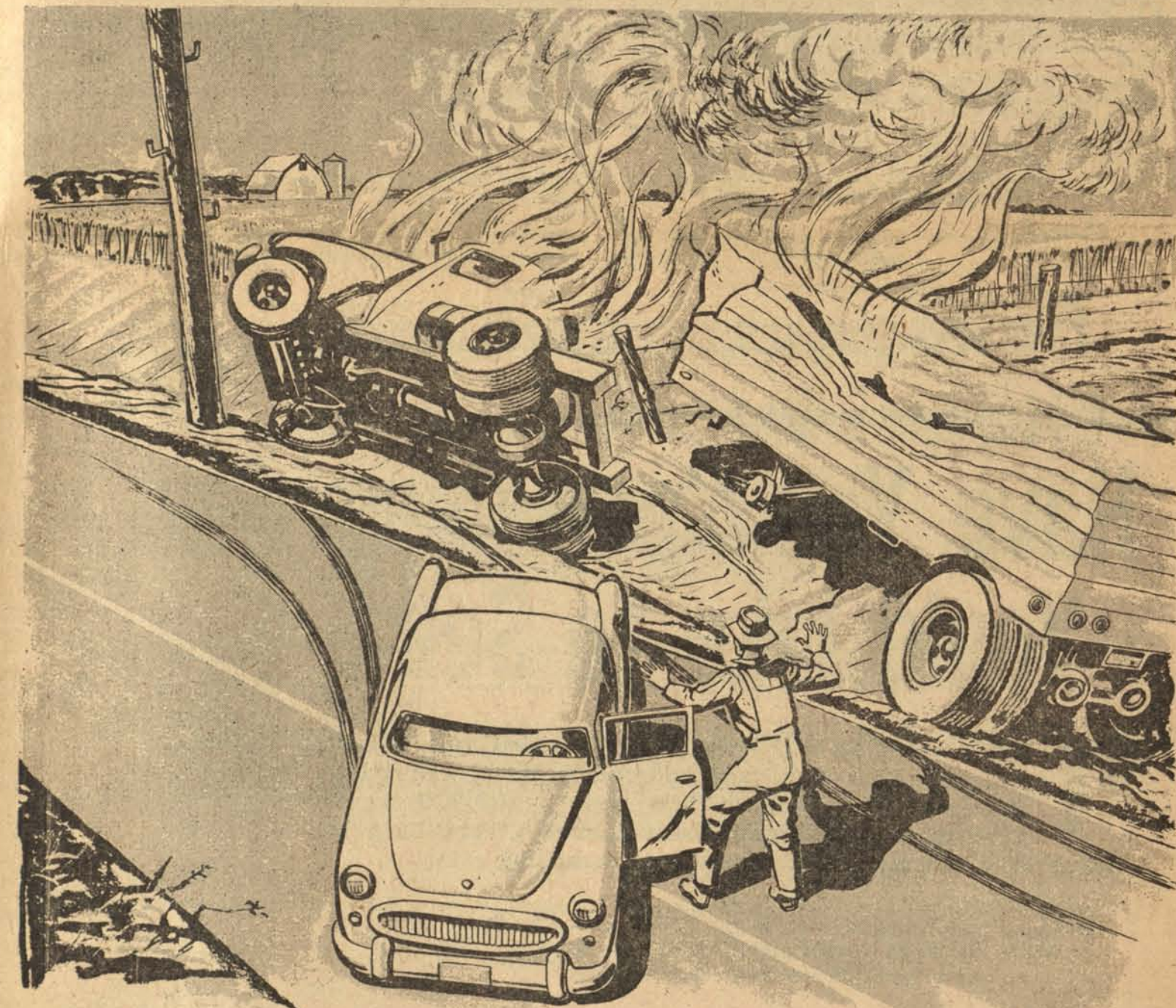
Discussion Topics

Spring and Summer Months

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

- Mar. Michigan Needs Agr'l Research.
- Apr. Taxes on Business and Michigan's Future Prosperity.
- May Federal Authority vs. States Rights.
- Jun. In 1958 we Vote on a State Constitutional Convention.
- Jul. Michigan's Need for Water Rights Legislation.
- Aug. Will Your Heirs Inherit Your Farm?

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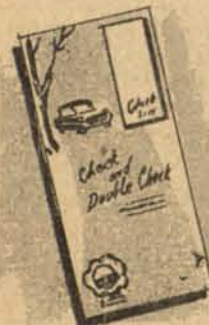
How high are the property damage limits on your auto policy? Are they high enough to cover today's values and costs? Everything costs more nowadays—semi-units, the cargo they're carrying, auto repairs and replacement, crops, buildings, in fact, everything that can be damaged by your car! It's also a fact that the average motorist carries

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