# MFB Program Does Quite Well in Legislature

# EDITORIAL

# What Kind of Education?

CLARK L. BRODY

It was my privilege to be one of a group of twenty Michigan Farm Bureau people from 15 counties who attended an American Farm Bureau conference on education at Columbus, Ohio, June 28 to

There were 292 of us from Farm Bureaus in 22 eastern states. Many were rural teachers and former teachers, members of school boards and PTA members.

It was a conference designed to help the state Farm Bureaus become more effective in solving their school problems. The purpose was to aid them in carrying out their policies on education,-not to determine policies.

In the main the discussions were focused on four questions:

1—Are the schools making possible the kind of education our young people will need in order to face future problems and discharge their responsibilities as loyal American citizens?

2-How can we get the most education from our tax dollar?

3-Who should control and influence public education?

4-How can the cost of needed education be fi-

Getting the right answers to these questions is the key to the solution of local school problems. To be effective, they must be woven into a constructive program that represents the best thinking of all the people in the area, -not just that of a single

Often it is not easy to get general agreement and adjustment on matters about which there are strong differences of opinion in the district, and where both urban and rural interests are concerned.

I observed the serious interest of Farm Bureau people for training in English, History, Mathematics, Languages and Sciences to help our young people meet the tough problems of today and tomorrow.

Dr. James Koerner of the Council for Basic Education strongly advocated courses in these basic subjects as essential to mental discipline and to independent thinking,-thinking as individuals.

He was strongly opposed to crowding the school curriculum with such matters as Life Adjustment, How to Use Your Leisure Time, Bachelor Living, Boy and Girl Relationships and other diversions in "so-called progressive education."

According to Dr. Koerner, "young people in the future will need a good basic education infinitely more than they will need particular vocational skills."

In this he was somewhat at variance with an American Farm Bureau resolution of 1958 which said, "Vocational training and guidance play a vital part in our educational system." I observed that our Farm Bureau people regard vocational training under the Smith-Hughes and George-Barden Acts as a vital part of our school system,—any Federal grantin-aid to carry a minimum of Federal control.

The Farm Bureau conference regarded the selection of strong competent school boards as essential in retaining local control of our schools. Local control must be matched with local responsibility.

We studied how new developments may bring better schools for less money. Magnetic tape, juke box records, and television are already making it practical to teach 400 to 500 students in one room without trouble of discipline, according to Dr. Alex Stoddard of Ford Foundation.

Television broadcasts from a D-C plane up 35,000 feet to reach all schools in radius of 250 miles are expected to be demonstrated in the near future. This will cover a section of Michigan.

"Universal education is essential because an ignorant nation cannot govern itself, and wisely select

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Kentucky County Farm Bureau Leaders Visit Michigan

MELVIN RODESILER of Riga right) president of Lenawce County Farm Bureau, and Mrs. Alice Collins, secretary, greet Roy Brown of Brodhead, Kentucky, Farm Bureau director, and several others of a busload of County Farm Bureau leaders from that state. They stopped at Adrian to see Lenawee County Farm Bureau's office.

Others in the picture, left to right: Carl Ringkvist of Clayton, Lenawee vice - president; Jack Griffith and Lyle Rader Kentucky Farm Bureau State Study Committee; W. W. Thorn and Boyd Hart, County Farm

# Kentuckians Came Looking For Ideas

160 leaders from 115 County Farm Bureaus in Kentucky were in Michigan July 14 and 15 to study first hand our C County and Michigan Farm Bu-

Kentucky Farm Bureau membership is about 75,000 families.

The visitors-4 busloads of hem-spent two days each with the Ohio, Michigan, and Illinois Farm Bureaus to compare their operations with their own.

They had four main interests

1-What makes strong and interesting County Farm Bureaus? 2-To visit Community Farm Bureau meetings.

3-Get information on Michgan Farm Bureau's farm supplies, petroleum services, and insurance services to the membership. Kentucky has insurance services, but no farm supplies or petroleum operations

4-How the Michigan Farm Bureau membership organization and four service companies operate harmoniously and in support

They were interested in the organization structure whereby the Michigan Farm Bureau shares ownership of Farm Bureau Services, Inc., and Farmers Petroleum Cooperatives, Inc. with farmers' cooperatives and individual farmers

They were interested in the fact that the Michigan Farm Bureau membership always holds the controlling stock interest in all the companies.

Bill Eastman, former MFB seca strong County Farm Bureau is dedicated leadership that knows how to get other people working on the program.

"If Farm Bureau is to attract modern farmers," said Mr. Eastman, "it has to have the kind of a program that will make a Bureau well spent."

evening of July 14 busloads of Kentuckians split up to attend Community Farm Bureau meetings Pickeral Lake Group in Calhoun, Clinton, Eaton, Ing-

ham, and Livingston counties. Washtenaw County Farm Bureau entertained a group for din-(Continued on Page 6)

# AFBF Calls Wheat Vote a Farce

Wheat marketing quotas were continued into 1960 in the national referendum July 23 for farmers growing more than 15 acres of wheat.

By voting to continue marketing quotas, producers will get price support at 75% of parity or \$1.77 a bushel.

If they had voted to abandon marketing quotas, price support would have been 50% of parity or \$1.18 a bushel.

Charles Shuman, president of American Farm Bureau, said before the vote was taken that the referendum was "an absurd farce that denied wheat producers any realistic choice.

"Regardless of how they vote, producers will have to stay with the SAME acreage allotments to be eligible for price supports. It's a foregone con-

"The 55 million acres national allotment for wheat in 1960 is unrealistic. Last year 400 million bushels were added to our wheat surplus on that acreage. This year we expect another 150 million bushel addition to the surplus.

"Farm Bureau has recommended constructive action to Congress to solve the wheat problem. If Congress persists in denying the farmer the right to discard a program that is a failure, it will have to accept responsi bility for the sea of wheat which will eventually engulf us."

The national vote was 160,178 for marketing quotas, 38,522 is considerably against, which more than the two-thirds majority required to continue marketing quotas.

Less than one-fourth of the nation's wheat producers voted who were eligible to do so.

Michigan wheat producers rejected wheat marketing quotas by a vote of 2,755 for quotas and 2,317 against them. Twenty thousand Michigan farmers were eligible to vote. Michigan rejected wheat marketing quotas in 1955 and 1956.

### Co-op Institute At Urbana August 9-12

"Gearing Cooperatives to Serve Modern Agriculture" is the topic of the 31st annual summer conference of the American Instiretary, said one thing that makes tute of Cooperation at the University of Illinois at Urbana Au-

farmer consider his time in Farm The conference draws some 3,000 representatives of American farm cooperatives, including about 1,000 young people.

# Helps After a Fire

Some 25 neighbors and members of Pickeral Lake Commun ner at its county office building ity Farm Bureau brought trucks and explained its county pro- and other equipment to the Frangram. A Community Farm Bu- cis Woodhams farm at Austin eau meeting was demonstrated. Lake, Kalamazoo county, June 20 Stops were made at the Mon- to clear away the ruins of the

# Egg Marketing

The Farm Bureau Services Egg Marketing Division plant at Jenison, Ottawa county, is now scheduled to start operations Mouday, August 17. The original date

As stated in earlier articles, the major area of activity will temporarily be in western Michigan, supplemented by the Lapeer and

and vicinity.

The reason for such limitation pliers may have them, the proexist anywhere throughout the through the plant.

The Egg Marketing Division's crop. basic plan calls for state-wide, not regional operation. Other Michigan will be represented areas of the state will be serviced by some 50 managers, directors, as soon as the Egg Marketing and young people from farm co- Division is able to accomodate operatives, including Farm Bu- them, and when sufficient volreau. Representatives from Mich- ume can be consolidated so that igan State University will attend. the average pick-up cost will be 1 cent or less for each dozen of

# This Edition 72,256

copies of the Michigan Farm News were mailed to subscrib-

### Alger Soil District is 76th

# **ADA Promotes More** Milk for Weekend

The "More Milk for the Weekend" campaign sponsored by the American Dairy Association so successfully in 1958 will be back in all its glory for mid-Septem-

During the period September 16 to 18 "Get More Milk for the Weekend" advertisements will be published in daily newspapers coast to coast.

In 1958 hundreds of dairies reported substantial increases in the sale of milk as the result of the first promotion. Many dairies liked the idea so well that they are promoting weekend milk advertising on a year around basis.

# Cherry Co-op Negotiates **1959 Price**

WARD COOPER MFB Commodity Relations

Cherry growers for 1959 have negotiated with processors to establish the price of cherries. As in 1958 this was done through the bargaining efforts of the Great Lakes Cherry Producers Marketing Cooperative at Grand

The price this year is 61/4 cents per pound. It will prevail in all of the cherry producing regions stance, consider the K-12 proeast of the Rockies. It will be posal. It was originally H. 91 the price at which about 122,000 which, after passing the House, it so strenuously in the House tons of cherries will be sold.

This year's price stability is who remember that crops of similar size in past years have resulted in serious price breaks. It is evident that this would vigorous and courageous action.

Berkley Freeman, manager of the Great Lakes Cherry Producers Marketing Cooperative, said that the ass'n has purchased 2,000 The western Michigan area in- tons of cherries in New York cludes Greenville, Coopersville, State. This was necessary to Hudsonville, Fremont, Holland, keep the price from falling be-Dorr, Moline, Caledonia, Allegan low the prices that would be paid

in other cherry producing areas. entire operation from pick-up will help maintain reasonable its enactment. prices to growers for the 1959

> John Handy, president of Great Lakes, pointed out that the organization is continuing to grow and thereby improve its position both in number of members and financial stability. The association now has about 1,700 members in Michigan, Wisconsin, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and New

### **New Hampshire FB** Raises Dues to \$15 New Hampshire Farm Bureau

has raised its membership dues to \$15 a year, beginning with the dues being collected this fall the dues being collected this fall we would be well to fin-for the year 1960. Ten dollars year of S. 1249, the bill to fin-agraph: "We feel that the trend of Alger Soil Conservation Dis- Farm Bureau, which includes \$1 trict in the Upper Peninsula is for dues to the American Farm roe County Farm Bureau office dairy barn that had been lost by the 76th to be organized. About Bureau Federation. County sponsored along this line for the ernment and eroding the rights at Ida and at Lenawee County fire. Their ladies brought pot- 92% of all Michigan farm land (Continued on Page 6) luck dinner. Farm Bureau dues have increas- past two or three years in that of property owners has already it provided not only for the use (Continued on Page 4)

# School, Right of Way Bills Examples Win on State Parks Fees, Bangs & TB,

New Seed and Feed Bills; Lose on Bus Line Subsidy, Annexation

STANLEY M. POWELL

Legislative Counsel for Michigan Farm Bureau

It's a long road which has no turning, and it would indeed be a long legislative session if the tax deadlock which has hung on for about 61/2 months were to continue indefinitely.

Prospects appear bright that the lawmakers will get together on some sort of a compromise fairly soon. Just as necessity is the mother of invention, so the desperate financial plight of the State at long last forced some action.

It is unfortunate for the State and its citizens that the Governor and some of the Legislators prevented placing on the election ballot last April one or more proposals which would have given the voters an opportunity to express their preference along these lines. Certainly it has been evident for months that the State would require additional revenue to balance the budget for the fiscal year which began July 1, 1959, and to make at least a start in paying off the accumulated General Fund deficit.

While the tax fight has stolen the headlines, progress has gone forward day by day on dozens of less spectacular bills. On the whole, the results have been fairly well in line with the legislative program of the Michigan Farm Bureau. Of course, we haven't won out on every issue. For instance, both the Senate and House passed the bus subsidy bill, S. 1050-which we opposed vigorously.

Annexation Bill. New proce- of stickers on cars using some dure for annexing property to of the State park, but authorized cifies and villages, which the a bond issue of not to exceed \$5 Legislative Committee and the million to provide immediate Board of Directors of Michigan money for park improvements. Farm Bureau felt provided greater safeguards to farmers than are afforded by the plans the revenue from fees charged of annexation now in operation, was turned down by the House by a vote of 43 to 51. This was

Turning now to some of the measures where the results were directly in line with the Farm Bureau's position, we could mention quite an imposing list.

School Legislation. For in-Committee on Education. Sponmuch appreciated by growers sors of K-12 tacked its provisions on to another school bill, S. 1225, when that bill was up for passage in the House.

have happened again this year if ate all school districts not prothe association had not taken viding a complete educational program from the kindergarten through the 12th grade.

This would involve approximately 1,800 school having about 225,000 pupils. The plan established a series of deadlines and procedures whereby the forced annexation would have been carried out.

When S. 1225, with the hitch-It is the first time such action hiking K-12 amendment, went er on the defensive. He could is plain. In any new venture, dif- became necessary and demon- back to the Senate, a majority and, in many cases would, be ficulties may turn up. The sup- strates the kind of power that of the Senators evidenced that subjected to substantial expense the organization can and will they were not in sympathy with for paying the cost of appraisal cessor may have them. They may exert on behalf of cherry pro- the proposal or with the method and legal charges for defending ducers. This action certainly being employed to try to secure his interests and protecting his

sent the bill and its unwelcome tive to the burden of proof. amendment to its Committee on Education for burial. Here is the way the Senators lined up on stressed that the provisions of

that important vote: YEAS: Beadle, Dehmel, Feenstra, Fitzgerald, perty owners and at the same Francis, Geerlings, Graebner, Hutchinson, Litowich, Lodge, Minnema, Morris, Porter, Prescott, Smeekens, Stahlin Stephens and Younger. (19).

NAYS: Blondy, Brown, Doyle, Dzendzel, Lane, McManiman, Miron, Novak, Rahoi, Ryan and

The rate would be \$2 per season or 50c per day per vehicle. The State Conservation Commis-S. 1191, which was discussed in sion would decide at which considerable detail in the July 1 parks the new system would be issue of the Michigan Farm

> The AFL-CIO exerted its utmost influence to prevent passage of this bill in the House It was defeated by a narrow margin on the first ballot, but that vote was reconsidered and, when the bill was brought up a

little later, it was passed The same forces which fought was laid to rest in the Senate will undoubtedly exert equal pressure on Governor Williams to influence him to veto the bill.

> Highway right of way. We had another very interesting battle in the House relative to S. 1090, which provided rather drastic revisions of the Michigan law relative to securing right of way for highway purposes. The bill was promoted and strongly pushed by the State Highway Department, which was anxious to speed up its right of way acquisition program.

Michigan Farm Bureau took a vigorous stand against the bill on the grounds that it would definitely put the property own-By a vote of 19 to 11, they versed the present situation rela-

> In its arguments to the Representatives, the Farm Bureau the present law are well intend Christman, ed to protect the rights of protime to provide orderly legal procedure for highway authorities to use in securing needed rights of way by purchase or condemnation

The Farm Bureau pointed out that the drastic changes em bodied in S. 1190 are not needed and would certainly not be in State Parks Finance. For a the public interest. In a letter time it looked very dubious that to each Representative on this we would secure passage this bill, we concluded with this par-

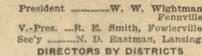
parks. This was a slightly dif- turning over more and more auferent proposal than we had thority to various units of gov-

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production.

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and pasture; very limited a

mounts of grain are required.

land available for expansion.

calf program provides a depend-

able market for forage and past

established in Michigan for high

quality feeder calves. Feed lot

operators like the performance of

7. An adequate supply of west-

8. Labor requirements of beef

9. Housing and equipment need

not be elaborate. In winter

months, a warm barn is not

necessary. Shelter giving some

protection from snow and rain

A feeder sale was held at Es-

canaba in 1958 where 643 head

were sold for \$81,834. At Onton-

Some of the calves from the

eastern end of the peninsula are

trucked into the lower peninsula

Large numbers are also sold

through cattle dealers and pri-

What About

Fence Across

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Farmer-sportsman conferences

now being arranged for Septem-

ber will have an additional prob-

lem to discuss. A recent article

carried by some metropolitan

newspapers has focused concern

on fences built across navigable

A conference held at the Farm

Bureau at Lansing recently

brought together representatives

of organized sportsmen, Mich-

igan Conservation Department,

Grange and Farm Bureau. It was

felt that the problem is not

widespread but that friction could

develop unless both farmers and

sportsmen operate with the principles of the Golden Rule in

From a legal point of view, a

navigable stream is a highway,

and courts have tended to rul-

that a stream is navigable if it

can float logs. It is possible that

liabilities may result from fences

built into streams where acci-

dents to waders or to boats and

canoes might result. Dangers al-

so might be created by electric

posed and the conferees agreed

that both farmers and sportsmen

should be provided with informa-

tion as to ways in which this

problem might be approached to

The "Give Once for All" Mich-

igan United Fund is now present-

fencing placed over water. No new legislation was pro-

mind

A Stream?

ogan 397 head brought \$57,390.

will provide adequate housing.

cattle are low and the time

ern cattle is becoming more dif-

U.P. produced feeder calves.

ficult to secure each year.

schedule very flexible.

Representing FARM BUREAU YOUNG PEOPLE Harry Foster .... .....Niles, R-3



# Back Door Galls

We have a shaded screened front porch. We sit out there a lot. It often has a little breeze when all the world is hot. A table with a radio, a cushioned rocking-chair; But no one walks up our front steps to greet the Grangers there.

We have a neatly bordered walk that leads to our front door; With portulaca (giant, mixed), a thousand blooms or more; With nice tea roses at the ends, my Marthy's joy and pride, But no one treads that flowery path-they go around the side.

We have a plain back door as well, with setting not so formal. The stoop is neat, the steps are clean, at least when things are normal, Plain wooden steps, a plain screen door-no fancy stuff or fuss But that's the door the folks approach who come to call on us.

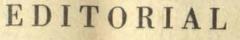
Marthy may take them out in front to show her lovely roses Or on a backyard garden tour of vegetables and posies But when the guests have noted all the flowers we feel so rich in 2. Beef cows provide a market They just re-enter our back door, and trail thru Marthy's kitchen. for the large quantities of hay We've talked it over, pro and con, between ourselves you know.

3. Large quantities of hay and We're proud if we appear to folks as back-door neighbors should pasture are not being harvested. Simple and wholesome and sincere, and altogether good. 4. There are areas of cutover We both admire the simple life, devoid of fancy frills

And we conclude that all in all we're glad that it is so.

5. The beef cow and feeder Enduring steadfast in the strength that cometh from the hills. And if our neighbors think so too, and if they think we rate it We hope they'll call at our back door. We sure appreciate it. 6. A dependable market is well

R. S. CLARK



(Continued from Page 1)

those who are to make its laws," said Dr. Paul Woodring of the Fund for the Advancement of Education.

President Charles Shuman of the American Farm Bureau emphasized the need for our schools to "help our students to get a true concept of the basic principles and philosophy of American selfgovernment and our competitive enterprise system . . . Unless we waken the people to the trend toward more and more Federal control, less and less local control of our schools will continue."

It was an inspiring experience to witness the earnestness and understanding shown by our people. Every Farm Bureau person present participated in the deliberations. They returned home with renewed determination to inspire greater citizen interest in our schools through their state Farm Bureaus.

The staff of the American Farm Bureau has forwarded a 20 page summary to the state Farm Bureaus for presentation to their Boards of Directors. Our Michigan delegation included:

Mrs. Carlton Ball	Albion
Mrs. W. E. Bird	Belding
Harman G. Cropsey	
Joseph B. Emerick	
Harold O. Fitch	Ludington
F. L. Haggard	
Mrs. Norman Harvey	
William Hasenbank III	
John Hesselink	
Mrs. Maurice Hughes	
Archie McCallum	
Mrs. Arthur Muir	
Dan E. Reed	Lansing
Allen F. Rush	Lake Orion
Mrs. Beaman Smith	Atlanta
Mrs. Doris Wieland	Ellsworth
Mrs. Nellie Van Sickle	Bellevue
Mrs. Marjorie Karker	
Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Brody	
	- Housing

Our Michigan group worked under the leadership of Allen F. Rush of the Michigan Farm Bureau Board of Directors and Mrs. Marjorie Karker and Dan E. Reed of the Farm Bureau staff.

I was impressed by the note sounded by O. R. Long, Director of American Farm Bureau Field Services, in closing the meeting:

"Only through the door of education can a better world be achieved."

uals and businesses and considers United Fund is not yet effectively disposable income, per capita in- organized. Agencies may accept come and average employment. gifts, donations and bequests.

The metropolitan Detroit area, Included in the delegation prewhich includes the counties of senting the United Fund request Wayne, Macomb and part of Oak- to the Detroit United Foundation land, is asked to provide 55.34% (Community Chest) were - John of the total Michigan goal under S. Pfarr, of Leonard Refineries,

Set for August 27

Dairyland Cooperative Cream-

The 1960 quota requests to the bers listed above have joined to- Virgin Islands (133 sq. miles) or

President's Column

to the land of the free.

their native countries.

MR. WIGHTMAN

When we reflect upon what

these liberties meant to the first

Security Tax

Held Unfair

DAN E. REED

Associate Legislative Counsel

nearly \$4 billion toward the cost

of private pension and other em-

ployee savings plans," a Farm Bu-

reau spokesman told a Senate Fi-

nance Committee in Washington.

sel for the American Farm Bu-

reau Federation, pointed out that

these payments were charged off

by the employer as deductible

business expenses and not sub-

No tax is imposed on the em-

ployee on such contributions un-

til after retirement, when the

pension is received. Most em-

on retirement benefits because of

reduced income and special de-

ductions allowed taxpayers over

byees will pay little or no tax

Present laws discriminate

Allen Lauterbach, general coun-

"Employers in 1957 contributed

To Farmer

homeland

more will be lost unless we stop At the entrance of New York long enough to take an inventory harbor stands the Statue of Lib- to see what has already happened erty towering over 300 feet to us.

in the air with a torch in her Most of us can remember when hand. She stands as a sentinel the individual citizen could ply that would welcome all comers his trade and earn as much or as little as he could. It was no- Testing Laboratory body's business but his own. Now It is symbolic of those who we are required to give an ac- among the few in the nation first landed on our shores in counting to the Government for who can get their forage tested search of new liberties that they every penny we earn and spend locally for protein and moisture were not privileged to enjoy in in our business or profession, content. This is so that it can be deter-People break down with emo- mined how much we owe the tion upon seeing it the first time, Government as income taxes.

and there is always a commotion on deck when the passenger ships Many of us are required to join a union and pay dues for the privilege of working so that we can earn a living for ourselves and families. In many communities a permit is required before a building can be built or a new enterprise be undertaken. The land is zoned and classified as agricultural, residential, indus-

We believe in freedom of religion to worship when and where and as we choose, without being required to support any church but the one of our choice. But some of our religious leaders are opposing right to work laws that would give us the same MICHIGAN freedom of choice in our efforts 2 to earn a living.

Farm Bureau is not a compulsory membership organization. We don't believe in the type of an organization that would require such a membership in order to engage in agricultural producapproach the harbor. The United tion. There are those who would States passengers are always anx- like to force us into such an orious to view the stately figure ganization. Farm Bureau stands beckoning them back to their for freedom. This is the strength of the organization. It survives on its merits and not compulsory membership.

ones to approach our shores and Let's not forget about the liberhow they sacrificed and fought ties given to us by our foreto gain them, it gives us food for fathers. Let us help to preserve thought. Many of those liberties them by thoughtful consideration have already been lost and many of the basic principles of freedom.

against farmers and other selfemployed citizens and those who have not bargained on employerpaid pension plan by taxing them on any income set aside for retirement plans.

Amounts paid for such purpose should be deductible from gross income, the Farm Bureau spokesman told the Committee.

Annuity payments should then be taxed as received, as in the case of the employer-paid plans. "We believe that if self-employed were given the added en-

couragement to develop a retire-

7th Annual Dairy Springer Sale Thursday, August 6, 1 p. m.

WEST BRANCH At Hereford Sale Yards **60 Holstein Heifers** Large, Well-Grown Heifers

Close to Freshening 20 Calfhood Vaccinated Remainder Bang's Tested WEST BRANCH DAIRY CATTLE SALES CO-OP, INC. J. L. Crosby, Resident Agent

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nancial position when they reach

65," said Lauterbach. Farm Bureau is supporting legislation to eliminate this discrimination, with safeguards to prevent its abuse.

ment program of their own, many

farmers would be in a better fi-

Mason Has Forage

Mason county farmers are

If a Mason county farmer wonders whether a field of hay is at its best stage for cutting, he can take a sample, run in to the county extension agent's office and have it tested

This forage testing laboratory is the first one in Michigan and one of the few in the county, according to Harold Larsen, Mason county extension director. Larsen makes the test in the well-equipped lab, now in its second year of operation.

Roman Bridges

Many bridges built by the Romans before birth of Christ are still in daily use in various parts of Europe.

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AUTOMOBILES

FARMERS PETROLEUM

ENGINES

4000 N. GRAND RIVER LANSING, MICHIGAN

Dairy farmer Wesley Amsdill shows off the pride of his herd to Michigan Bell's Bob Kuhn

# "Suzy Spots and the telephone — our farm depends on both"

Wesley Amsdill - who not so long ago was chosen Farmer of the Year by the Ann Arbor Junior Chamber of Commerce - says that two things make a whole lot of difference to the success of his farm.

First, there's Suzy Spots, the best milk producer in his 31-cow herd. She gave over 13,000 pounds of milk last year.

Then there's the telephone. The Amsdill farm is a little off the beaten track, miles out of town. Over the years, Wes has come to rely quite a bit on his phone for conducting his business. His family depends on it, too, for many household needs. And they all know that their friends are as near as their telephone.

All over the state, other farmers . . . storekeepers . . . professional people . . . folks of all kinds . . . count on their phones for help in business, aid in emergency, and for the warmth of friendship. And all this for a few cents a day.

MICHIGAN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY



## For Safety on the Highway

THIS COMBINE and tractor daylight. have warning equipment for night. Combine carries several 108 inches. bands of reflectorized tape (white | It is advisable to equip tracrectangles in picture) to show tors and machinery with reflecttail light is visible for 300 feet or ing equipment required by law.

ery shall not exceed 186 inches sponsibility Act. for movement on highway by

Between sundown and sunrise movement on the highway at the width limit may not exceed

PURPOSE OF FARM

BUREAU

machine limits. Tractor's red orized tape in addition to warn-

Farm tractors while used on State law requires total outside public highways are subject to width of tractor or farm machin- the Motor Vehicle Financial Re-

To Vote Again On It Check-off to

**Promote Wool** Hasn't Worked

> WARD COOPER MFB Commodity Relations

During September wool producers throughout the nation will be asked to vote in a referendum as to whether or not they want a check-off of one cent per vant a check-off of one cent per vant a check-off of one cent per vant from payments due wool pound from payments due wool producers. This is for advertising and promotion programs for

The referendum deals with Section 708 of the National Wool Act of 1954. It authorizes, but does not require the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into agreements with producers for the compulsory check-off for advertising and promotion.

Such an agreement was entered into in 1955 although only about 15% of the producers voted in the referendum. The Act of 1954 has been extended for farmland accounts for a large three more years, so that calls portion of this land. for a referendum in September

Ballots will be mailed to wool beef cattle. producers about mid-August by the county ASC office. Ballots by September 30.

Producers should realize that a NO vote on the check-off will not change the present incentive payment program except that it will give producers an additional one cent per pound on all their wool.

More than \$8,000,000 of producers' money was checked off in 1955, '56, and '57. During the time this money was being spent on promotion, here's what hap-

down.

2. Wool prices went down. 3. Use of competitive synthetic fibers went up.

4. Lamb consumption went 5. Beef prices went up more

than lamb prices.

An additional \$4,000,000 was checked off in 1958. After four years of operation there is no before marketing, at about 7 evidence that the expenditure of wool check-off money, belonging to producers, has resulted in a noticeable increase in the demand for wool and lambs, or has improved prices to farmers.

Meat Board promotes the sale farm in Gould City. of all meats, including lamb, through recipes and menus in magazines, newspapers, radio, television, and cooking schools. This promotion is financed by voluntary contributions by livestock producers and packers.

# Jack Yeast Joins

He will succeed H. J. (Bud) Koenigsaecker of North Pekin, who has been the representative in that area for the past three years, and who is being transferred to Davenport, Iowa.

# Favorable for

tiveness and soil.

In some areas, abandoned

turned over to grazing lands for

County Farm Bureau. He raises feeder calves on his farm at

herds in the U.P. Beef cattle have 1. Wool consumption went Houghton and Baraga counties. counties in the U.P.

ary and March calving. The calves are weaned about 10 days months of age, and sold upon a to a farmer who will fatten them for the market," said Ronald Clark, president of the Mackinac-Luce Farm Bureau. He has a

Some of the factors that have

1. Soils, climate and rainfall

# Hardy Salt Company

The Hardy Salt Company, with general offices in St. Louis, Missouri, and manufacturing facilities at Manistee, Michigan, recently announced the appointment of John O. Yeast of Good Hope, Illinois as sales represen-

tative in west central Illinois.

There are large acreages of cutover land in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, varying widely in vegetation, cover, produc-

In recent years more and

"With an abundance of pasture must be completed and mailed land, it has become evident that

> Shingleton. number of beef cattle and beef been on the increase in Chippewa, Iron, Ontonogan, Mackinac, Luce, Some beef herds are found in all

The beef cow and feeder calf program has become popular ing its budget requests to Com-

carefully sorted and graded basis

made the beef cow program gain in popularity in the Upper Pen-

are favorable for hay and pasture

U. P. Regional Representative

more of these lands have been

we can produce good type feeder calves economically in this area. The popularity of beef cattle breeding herds for growing feeder calves in the U.P. has greatly increased in the past few years," said Al J. Hebert, president of the Marquette - Alger

Delta county has the largest Says Give Once for All

with the part time farmer, older munity Chests throughout the and abroad. USO receives the couples and retired persons where limited labor is available yet additional income is desired. "Cows are bred for late Februrecommendation of the A & B

actual amounts provided through Mental Health, and 17 other Michigan United Fund for the agencies. operation of 33 state and national The National Livestock & herd of over 200 Angus on his member agencies. The 1960 budget allocation was recommended by the A&B Committee after considering budget requests totalling well over \$4 million.

> various Community Chests are gether and agreed not to conduct about 3 times what we paid for based on a formula which includes independent financial campaigns Alaska (586,400 square miles).

avoid the creation of hot tempers and bitter feelings. the giving ability of both individ- except in the limited areas where **United Fund** 

the formula

United Fund member agencies nclude United Service Organization, serving U.S. men and women in armed services at home largest allocation of money. Following the two-day session Others are Heart Association of its 300-member Admissions Cerebral Palsy, Children's Aid Dairyland Picnic and Budget Committee, which Society, Retarded Children's Asmet in May, the Executive Com- sociation, Travelers' Aid, Leader mittee of the Fund approved a Dog, Epilepsy Center, Kidney budget of \$3,270,000 based on the Disease Foundation, Multiple Sclerosis, Sister Kenny, Arthritis and Rheumatism Foundation, The above figures are the Hearing Association, Society for

> abor, industry and agriculture to show from Cincinnati. provide relief from the many charity drives. The agency mem-

Inc.; Ray R. Eppert and Kenneth C. Tiffany, of Burroughs Corporation, August Scholle, UAW-CIO; Dan E. Reed, Michigan Farm Bureau, and W. Earl Prosser and Maurice P. Beck, Michigan United Fund staff.

ery Company has set Thursday, August 27 as the date for its 34th annual pienic and fair at Carson City park. The event opens in the morning with judging of dairy cattle in all breeds and classes open to all entrants. After the Michigan United Fund was or- picnic dinner, the afternoon will anized more than 11 years ago be devoted to entertainment by y Michigan leaders in business, the Elmer Hinkle radio and stage

U. S. paid \$25 million for the

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# Want Good Alfalfa Seedings in Wheat?

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FFA Chapters Receive Awards for Soil and Water Work

HALE PEARCE (left) chairman of the Michigan Soil Con-servation Society of America, is Tour Plant you'll enjoy driving more, and proud of three young men rehave more opportunity to drive ceiving gold award certificates in behalf of their Future Farmers of America chapters for ex-North and South Carolina sepa- cellence in soil and water conservation programs in 1958-59. Young men, left to right: Ron Denning, Marshall chapter; Fred Liebinga, Deckerville chapter; James Carmichael, Evart chap-Center, Clarence King of Michigan Farm Bureau. Far right, Harry E. Nesman, chief of agr'l education, Div. of Vocational Agriculture, State Dep't of Public Instructions.

# **Protect Against** Whooping Cough

Michigan Dep't of Health is irging parents of young children to protect them against whooping cough as well as polio and other communicable diseas-

Whooping cough hits hardest City. in very young children. Most doctors begin the initial, fourshot immunization series when dusky. the child is three months old. The other three shots follow at

one month intervals. A booster dose is given when the child reaches two years of age and again when he is five. again at two years apparently land.

Peru is the oldest nation in

# Prairie Farm

Twenty-nine Future Farmers of America were recognized for their 1958-59 Soil and Water Conservation projects at an ance Company, and Farm Bu-Awards Day program at Sagi- reau Life Insurance Company. naw, June 26. The event was attended by some 125 FFA chapter representatives, educators and conservation leaders.

The program included a tour of the Farm Bureau Services vation. Plant Food Division at Saginaw and an Awards Day luncheon. At the luncheon gold, silver, and bronze awards were presented, and honorable mention cita-

Gold Awards to Future Farmer chapters at Deckerville, Evart, Hastings, Marshall and Reed

Silver Awards to FFA chapters at Alma, Leslie and San-

Bronze Awards to FFA chapters at East Jordan, Hartland, Holton, Mesick, Traverse City, Union City, and Unionville.

Honorable Mention: FFA chap-The State Health Dep't recom- ters at Bellevue, Concord, Delmends the five-year booster ton, Dundee, Goodrich, Green-Many cases this year are 5 and ville, Hillsdale, Kent City, Lake-6-year-old youngsters whose view, Mason, Midland, Mt. immunization as infants and Pleasant, Pinconning, and Port-

The afternoon was spent touring one of the Prairie Farms in Saginaw county. Featured on this tour were flat land agricul-

The strike began April 30 at the Tillamook Creamery Association, an Oregon farmers' cooperative, which manufactures Tillamook cheese. Seventeen fluid milk delivery men, members of a union, walk ed off the job demanding 34

ture, pump drainage, dikes,

watershed problems, and fish

America, Michigan Ass'n of Fu-

ture Farmers of America,

Michigan Farm Bureau, Farm

Bureau Services, Inc., Farmers

Petroleum Cooperative, Inc.,

Farm Bureau Mutual Insur-

Michigan Farm Bureau and its

affiliated companies are inter-

ested because of the policy posi-

tion taken by its members re-

garding soil and water conser-

All sponsoring organizations

will participate in soil and water

conservation activities in 1960.

Oregon Farm Bureau

At a time when the House

Labor Committee of Congress is

preparing to report a labor bill,

Oregon dairy farmers have been

victims of a secondary boycott

Secondary boycotts occur

when a union causes other dis-

tributors and handlers to cease

handling the product of a firm

where a strike is in progress.

by the Teamsters Union.

Protests Use

Of Boycott

In Strike

and wild life projects.

cents an hour increase. They took 159 other union members with them. Farmers from the 700 me Ass'n took over the plant and

operated it successfully. They ignored picket lines. To bring the Tillamook Ass'n into line, the Teamsters Union

began urging grocers and supermarkets in western states to discontinue selling Tillamook cheese. Many of them did. Others stood by the Tillamook Creamery. So pickets appear before their stores in Portland,

Seattle, San Francisco and other cities urging customers not to trade with stores selling Tillamook cheese. President Gerald Detering of the Oregon Farm Bureau called upon the Governor to investigate the strike. Oregon has a

law defining and prohibiting secondary boycotts. Mr. Detering swung a surprise punch when he asked Farm Bureau members to stop patronizing stores that dropped Tilla-

mook cheese. It was on this counter boycott note that the strike ended in a compromise settlement after 69

# Connecticut FB Plans \$25 to \$30 Dues

Connecticut Farm Bureau's board of delegates has increased the state Farm Bureau dues from \$5 to \$17 a year. Of that amount \$1 is annual dues to the American Farm Bureau Federation. The vote was 64 to 16, and followed three years discussion

dition to the \$17 needed to oper ate County Farm Bureaus. It is expected that total Farm Bureau dues will range from \$25 to \$30. Connecticut had 4,829 members

At the delegate meeting it was said the average Connecticut farmer's investment is \$50,-000 and that farm production in the state is valued at \$160,000,-

Connecticut Farm Bureau

# Form Co-op to Raise Dairy Heifers

It is planned to purchase and raise surplus calves from dairymen on D.H.I.A. and Owner-Sampler test.

production records.

The program received its start n December 1958, when Ed Cole, agricultural instructor at Mayville high school, met with the Mayville Agricultural Advisory Bill Dead Sponsors of this program are there was a definite shortage of the Michigan Chapter of the top quality dairy replacement Soil Conservation Society of available to the dairyman wishng to expand his herd.

Along with this, a large numtock program. The Mayville Committee on State Affairs. The various groups interested in the bill had reached agreement lle, Michigan.

Extension Agents, Alfred Ballg and John Speicher, were ant provisions: ked to help. Ward Cooper of hope that more FFA chapters ne Michigan Farm Bureau was alled upon to give assistance in riting the by-laws and rules of and the organization. Specialists from to surface waters which are trapid to the project.

The operation of the Cooperaive calls for an employed agent Senators Edward Hutchinson, of or have a surplus dairy heifer. 1958. rith surplus calves, purchase the 1960 session and believe that rea-

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calves and deliver them to mem-) sonable agreement has now been use of water in Michigan. Presbers of the Cooperative who have reached on its provisions. The ent decisions are based to a large their order in.

Since the purpose of the organization is to raise quality heifers, only those from herds on test will be considered.

It is realized the calves of this quality demand a premium, and Lapeer and Tuscola county the members are willing to pay farmers around Mayville are go- this premium. A price scale has ing into the business of raising been set up whereby calves from top quality dairy heifers through high producing cows will be the recently organized Dairy Repurchased from the dairymen at placement Cooperative Ass'n of a higher price than those from dams with lower records.

The Board of Directors says that any farmer interested in becoming a member of the Co-op and raising this type of a quality heifer, is welcome to join the LeRoy Terbush of Mayville R. Dairy Replacement Cooperative secretary of the group, said Association. Inquiries should be hat the only calves to be raised sent to George Kitchen, presiwill be those from dams with dent, 116 East Turner Street,

# Water Use

After approval by the Michr of dairymen go out of the igan State Senate by a vote of siness of milking cows and are 32 to 0, S. 1323, the proposed oking for some type of a live- water use bill died in the House

rganized the Dairy Replacement and had suggested clarifying operative Association of May- amendments to the House Committee.

The bill contained two import-

1-It would permit and authorize non-riparians to use excess water in lakes and streams;

ped in ponds before they reach streams or watercourses.

The bill was introduced by who will receive the calls from Fennville, and Lloyd A. Steph-D.H.I.A. testers, inseminators of the breeding association, and the work of a Joint Legislative dairymen themselves who know Study Committee established in

Each week on a set day, the Supporters of the measure agent will visit those dairymen hope to have it introduced in the

measure would provide a basis degree on common law as inter-

of statutory law governing the preted by the courts.

Mr. Schroeder is past-president and director of Olmstead County Holstein Association. He and his sons milk a herd of 100 registered Holsteins that have held several A.R. and H.I.R. records for butterful production,

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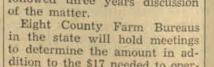
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# Activities of Women of Michigan Farm Bureau

## District 1

Mrs. Alma J. Foster, Chairman Niles R-3

Mrs. Harold Sebasty, secretary of District 1, received this letter from Rygo and Suru (Nakatani) Natori, married May 23:

Dear Mrs. Sebasty:

We received a beautiful blanket from you a few days ago. Thank you ever so much for sending it to us as a wedding

Please send my best regards to all our friends at Michigan Farm Bureau. Hope we shall see you this fall when we come to Michigan.

Rygo and Suru Natori, K.E.E.P. Takane Kitakoma, Yamanashi,

Berrien County Women's Committee met at Youth Memorial building July 21 with 40 mem-

Plans were completed for our have charge of cooking for the Muskegon.

Burton Richards discussed the coming membership campaign.

After our business meeting we enjoyed a surprise party for Mrs. County Farm Bureau, Mrs. tion for all she has done for us. and not have so many frills.

tee met July 7 at Mrs. Norman buying. Proceeds will be used for retard- fat dry milk. ed children. It was decided to buy a hot water heater and a refrigerator.

St. Joseph County Women's Committee had its picnic July 6 at the home of Mrs. Richard District training schools.

The nominating committee has been having difficulty in getting officers for the new year. Mrs. Carl A. R. Lewis has been chair- Fly to Scotland not continue according to the For ACWW Meeting man the past two years and canby-laws. She said the Women's Committee needs financial sup-

be doing the work.

The Rev. John Smith of Keeler tend. Methodist church spoke to us on the history of the Bible.

Pansy Drake attended the Northwest Michigan Farm Bureau Women's camp near Traerse City in early June. She was very favorably impressed with the way in which the camp and program were conducted. Speakers were enjoyable and interesting. The evening programs were very entertaining. A side trip to Lund's Scenic gardens was worth the whole trip. We hope she has convinced many more they should go next year.

Five dollars was voted to the Clark L. Brody scholarship fund. The Youth Camp plans to have plaques expressing appreciation to Farm Bureau women and women in cooperative extension programs for the help they have given. The camp has purchased a new dish washer and a dock.

# District 4

Mrs. Clare Barton, Chairman Plainwell R-2

District 4 Council meeting will be held August 12 at Ken Mar House in Grandville. Let's try to have 100% attendance of officers for this planning meeting. You will enjoy the lunch, too.

Allegan County. Mrs. Alice Wightman has been telling the group interesting points concerning the American Farm Bureau meeting in Boston all year. In May she read excerpts from the speech by Mrs. Haven Smith concerning her trip to Russia behind the Iron Curtain.

In June Mrs. Fred Billett gave a summary of our first year's safety survey. Fourteen townships out of twenty-four report-The average days per person lost was 20 and the average cost per accident \$92.

Miss Virginia Helt, consumers marketing agent from the Extension Staff of Kent county, reported on what she is doing through radio stations, newspaper releases, meetings, to alert the consumer on the best buys ing. Send to Michigan Farm of the season. She figures she News, Pattern Dep't, P. O. Box reaches 80,000 to 90,000 by her 42, Old Chelsea Station, New newspaper articles alone.

Barry County Women's Com-

igan history, Michigan foods and elected vice-chairman have been the Michigan vacation spots in invited to attend. Potluck lunch.

Barry county plans to have a for Scotland and won't be recamp in August. It was voted to turning until the day of our hire a cook so everyone would be free to enjoy themselves. Mrs. Walter Soya is now serving as secretary of the Barry

Kent County Women's Committee had a very successful Rural-Urban meeting this spring at the Gaines Township Hall. 90 people came for smorgasbord dinner using only food grown in Michigan.

Entertainment included songs by 4-H talent winner Eddie Smith and a quiz conducted by Virginia Helt, consumer marketing agent. Marjorie Karker complimented us on the meeting. Pete Sikkema discussed the cost of groceries in stores and what share the farmer receives of these items.

Ottawa County Women's Compart in the Youth Fair August mittee camp is to be held Au- the county September 9-18. All 19-23. Farm Bureau women will gust 5 and 6 at Wolf Lake near persons 25 through 30 years and

At the July meeting Mrs. Wol- a free chest X-ray. brink, legislative chairman, re- Two of our community Farm ported that we should show a Bureau groups entertained Kengreater interest in our schools. tucky visitors at July meetings. Not more dollars for education They were observing how our Velma Wire, secretary of Berrien but more education for dollars. community groups function. We should not copy Russia but Wire received a gift from the we should not fall behind. We Women's Committee in apprecia- should go back to the three R's

Mrs. Grace VanderKolk con-Cass County Women's Commit- ducted a quiz on food and food Questions were an-Harvey's home. After luncheon, swered on eggs, meat buying, plans were made for the fair. grades of beef, apples and non-

## District 5

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

Advisory Council meeting of Schug of Marcellus. The Com- District 5 will be held on Tuesmittee voted to ask the County day, August 18 at the home of study the constitution and know Farm Bureau Board of Directors the chairman beginning at 10 what it stands for. to change the by-laws to provide a.m. A report of the State Ada fund so that Women's Commit- visory council meeting and the Freedom Forum in Arkantee members can be paid for recommendations will be given, sas. Eighteen lectures and sevluncheons and transportation to Our Fall District meeting will eral movies were intensely inbe planned.

All county officers and newly ened from within and without.

Mrs. Alex Kennedy of Posen,

chairman of Michigan Farm Bu- presented to the county hospireau Women, Mrs. Oliver Tomp-Van Buren Women's Commit-kins of Traverse City, chairman side of the Ingham County Farm tee members were guests at the of District 9, and Mrs. Marjorie Bureau Hall. The young people home of Mrs. Earl Morehouse Karker, coordinator for Women will furnish the curtains. for a luncheon meeting in July, of MFB, flew to Edinburgh, Harry Peterson, member of the Scotland by Scandinavian air-County Farm Bureau Board of lines July 31 for the triennial ing. Directors, invited the ladies to convention of the Associated consider taking over the Farm Country Women of the World, Bureau membership Roll Call August 2 to 16. Twenty-three ladies will represent state Farm The proposal was tabled until Bureau women's organizations. a fair booth display. the next meeting when we hope Five more are delegates from to have a larger representation the American Farm Bureau Woof Farm Bureau women who will men's Committee. Representatives from 30 countries will at-

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### District &

Mrs. Allyn Gordon, Chairman Croswell R-2

Our delegates are just leaving

speed and a safe return.

Beauty School in Lansing.

grooming.

Kalamazoo recently.

Genesee County. We heard a

delegate to the Northwest camp

in June. We must protect our

government through our schools,

our schools and churches.

District 7 Camp

Ingham County Women's Com-

A tour of the new hopsital at

We plan to decorate the in-

mittee reports 22 rest pillows

meeting which means that Marge won't be with us for the first time. We wish them God-Clinton County Women's Committee had a pleasant half-day meeting on the lawn at the home of our chairman, Mrs. Perry. After the business meeting we enjoyed a demonstration in hair Women of the Michigan Farm styling and management by Mrs. Bureau

Farthing from the Farthing Using two of her students she demonstrated how hair can be styled in three different ways and vegetables for freezers. with one setting of pincurls. Of

course, this was strictly for the Lapeer County. 7,687 adults in Lapeer county had free chest adies but I'm sure they went home with many ideas on good X-rays May 26-June 12 for detection of tuberculosis, cancer and other conditions. Our Wo-Announcement was made of the T. B. X-ray unit being in men's Committee was one of the

Mrs. Kerr Stewart and Miss Elain Abbott of the Michigan Tuberculosis Ass'n obtained \$400 from the board of supervisors to provide larger films for those whose X-rays showed suspicious

Mrs. Emily Dondineau was Eaton County Women's Comher home. Mrs. Allyn Gordon mittee voted to sponsor a \$300 spoke on the honor of being Disscholarship in either teaching, trict chairman and the compennursing or short course. Prof. I. sations of the office. She recom-F. Schneider of MSU spoke to us mended highly her successor, on Michigan. Five flags have Mrs. Bruce Ruggles, who asflown over Michigan. It has 83 sumes the duties at Fall Camp, counties, 11,020 lakes and 36,000 Sept. 23-24. Thirty-six Tuscola miles of streams. We toured county ladies were our guests. Upjohn's Drug Laboratories in

Sanilac County and St. Clair Women's Committees drove to Midland in June to be guests of fine report from Mrs. Bigger, the Dow Chemical Company on a tour of the Dow gardens and beautiful churches, library and Community Center given by the Dow family.

Mrs. Otto Tara reported on teresting. Our freedom is threatment, religions and social life in There are 400 communistic his country. He is a guest at fronts in the United States. the Ray Houston home at Rich- on the proper foods and right Communism is trying to get into mond.

> speaker. The County Communty Chest invited our groups to

Mason followed the June meet-Shiawassee County Women's Committee is deep in fair activities. They are competing with Grange and Garden Clubs with \$77.50 plus a box of food was Anthony Kreiner, fieldr iven to the Retarded Childrens Center. There are 2 or 3 schools for retarded children in the Tuscola County Nursing Home,

be held August 5 and 6 at Wolf Lake 4-H Center, at Wolf Lake, miles into the state of Washing- plants. 6 miles east of Muskegon.

### District 8

Mrs. Albert Schmiege, Chairman Chesaning R-2

Arenac County, Mrs. Miller from the Rest Home gave a very interesting talk on maintaining a home for the aged. We planned a tour of the Saran and Plastic divisions of the Dow Chemical Company at Midland.

Bay County. Osburn Thurlow presided. Mrs. James Hignite gave the citizenship committee report. Mrs. Mainhood in her safety report said 45% of all automobile accidents are caused by speeding. Mrs. P. Stark said the Associated Country Women of the World are inviting entries for a 1,000 word essay, "My Most Treasured Possession."

Clare County Women's Comnittee planned a tour of the Kraft Cheese plant at Clare beginning with the laboratory testing of milk, going into the processing departments and ending with packaged cheese ready for shipment.

Gladwin County Women's Committee heard Mrs. Adeline Alexander, Red Cross home nursing instructor, speak on disaster and home nursing. She is hostess for our picnic dinner at anxious to organize a home nursing unit in Gladwin county this

Gratiot County Women's Committee entertained 195 ladies at its annual banquet in May at Ithaca high school. Table decorblossoms and miniature robins theme. Mrs. Paul Munson was program chairman, and Mrs. Bernard Green, toastmistress

Mrs. Cynthia Crawford's song, My Michigan is Beautiful," was sung publicly for the first time by a ladies' trio. Mrs. Mulholland, health chair-

nan, said the Tuberculosis Mobile Unit will be in Gratiot county in September to give free X-rays for detection of tuberculosis.

Saginaw County Women's Committe heard Mrs. Bartlett of the Saginaw County way to diet.

Our July picnic was at Saginaw Fair Grounds with potluck gram will be expanded later.

# Farm Bureau In Upper Peninsula

the U.P. District Mid-year Series you vote NO on S. 1190." ast month.

The first County Farm Bureau son, with a membership over 600. The U.P. counties have taken

an active part in policy development through the resolutions proess and have been active in egislative affairs. U.P. counties have been active in increasing membership. Mack-

inac-Luce Farm Bureau was the first county over its membership goal this year. U.P. Dairy Committee has been very active. The theme of Farm

Bureau "Shoot for the Moon in Dairy Promotion" has been stressed by the committee. A U.P. Dairy Products Promotion Committee has been named. Expansion of the service pro-

gram has also been carried on. We have Farm Bureau Insurance ations of spring flowers, apple agents in all counties except Baraga, Iron and Houghton. carried out the Michigan Week These counties have prospective agents studying for their license.

Farm Bureau seed was available to the membership this past spring, almost 17 tons of seed! Some fertilizer has also been made available.

Farm Bureau Services supplies have been made available to the members in the Mackinac-Luce area. Emmett Vallier of Naubinway was named a dealer.

Work is being carried on at the present time to get the Direct Distribution of Petroleum Products into the U.P. The program will be limited to Menominee, Delta, Marquette and Alger counties at the present time. This pro-Farm Bureau has taken an ac-Holly Hubbell were our guests. tive part in the Upper Peninsula Other farm bills promoted by

State Fair held annually at Esca- MICHIGAN naba. This year each County 4 Farm Bureau will man the booth for one day of the fair.

# MFB Program Does Well in Legislature

(Continued from Page 1)

gave this report of progress to would be a serious step in the committee members attending wrong direction. We urge that

When the bill first came up for final passage in the House, was organized October 17, 1955 it failed to muster the necessary when Delta County became a part | 56 affirmative votes, but that of the Michigan Farm Bureau. In vote was reconsidered and the such companies would be reless than 4 years, Farm Bureau bill was kept alive, awaiting a funded and they would be pers organized in all counties except more favorable opportunity. It mitted to buy their licenses at Gogebic, Ontonogan and Dickin- looked as though, with a reason- bargain prices. ably complete attendance, the necessary YES votes and went down to defeat. Bang's Disease and TB. Over

in the Senate quite a spirited battle developed over H. 417, the bill to make various changes in the law relative to testing cattle for Bang's disease and T.B.

The bill was supported and promoted by all of the general farm organizations, the Michigan Milk Producers Association and various livestock and dairy

However, one Senator led a fight against it and for a time it looked as though he had enough Senators lined up to insure its defeat. On the final roll call the bill mustered 18 affirmative votes, the lowest number possible for passage.

Livestock and dairy interests desired this bill to protect the splendid progress made recently in controlling Bang's disease and to try to cope with the alarming increase in bovine T B which has been mounting steadily during the past few years. In their vote on this important bill the Sen-

YEAS: Beadle, Blondy, Brown, Christman, Dehmel, Feenstra, Younger. (18)

Greene, Hutchinson, Lodge, McManiman, Norris, Novak, Prescott and Smeekens.

As Regional Representative, I gone too far and that this bill

bill might pass. However, when the House we wrote each Repreit was voted on the second time. it again failed to secure the reading in part is follows:

ators lined up as follows:

Lane, Litowich, Minnema, Miron, Nichols, Rahoi, Rozycki, Ryan, Stahlin, Steeh, Stephens, and

NAYS: Dzendzel, Francis, Geer-

# The Home Flower Garden

# How to Make a New Lawn

H. L. R. CHAPMAN Garden Clubs Lecturer

Possibly more of us are interested in the lawn around the home than in any other phase of

home garden planting. difficult if the home owner will realize that the lawn is a great Driconure can be used in its place a beautiful new home for the population of grass plants which at the rate of one 6 inch flower require certain conditions pres- pot of Driconure to one bushel of ent in the soil for maximum soil. (Six inches is the inside

> A garden can only be as good as the soil will allow, and the ame statement applies to the

In making a new lawn it is very important to know whether the soil where the new lawn is to be made is acid, neutral, or alkaline. This is called its pH value. If the pH value of the soil is not known a small amount (about one cupfull) should be sent to the office of your county agricultural agent with a request that he test it for you. Fifty cents in coin, to cover the handling costs, should accompany the soil sam-

A neutral soil is considered most suitable for lawn grasses in Michigan.

Lawn grasses depend upon the soil to furnish their roots with air, moisture, and certain plant nutrients which in turn signifies that the soil should have a good, but not too severe drainage.

Heavy clay soils are undesir- the rate of 10 lbs. per 1,000 square able for lawn making because feet. This work should be done water drains down through them on a dry day with no wind. The too slowly. Sandy soils on the soil must now be made firm and other hand allow the water to level. This is done by raking and pass down and away too rapidly- rolling the surface alternately. often causing the grass plants to suffer from drought.

Any neutral good garden loam which has produced good vegetable crops will produce a good lawn.

fashion his garden and make his wash the seed out of the soil. lawn that the soil contains nothing but clay.

heavy that it may be necessary to place of crushed limestone. install a tile system to insure good drainage.

feet should be broadcast over the neutral as possible.

surface and then turned down in- | The chief grasses used for to the clay.

soil should now be placed on top red fescue. clay. It should worked consist of good garden soil to which has been added a liberal Maintaining a good lawn is not amount of old, well rotted farm manure, or if this is not available



MR. CHAPMAN

When the surface is in place a ayer of 10-6-4 fertilizer should be broadcast over the surface at

When the soil is firm roughen the surface to receive the seed by raking lightly. Then sow the seed. When the seeding is completed rake gently with the back of the rake to cover the seed. then roll with a fairly heavy roll-Very disappointing it is to one er to firm the seed in the soil. who moves into a newly built The lawn should then be waterhome to find as he commences to ed using a fine spray so not to

soil to be alkaline, apply peat machine with a sharp cutting The soil may be so fine and moss or other acid matter in

In light sandy soils the drainage is too severe for the welfare If the soil test shows the clay of grass plants. This condition et 1 inch. to be acid with a pH of may be changed by mixing peat 5.0 or under, a layer of moss into the soil at the rate of

lawns in Michigan are Kentucky

Kentucky bluegrass produces excellent lawns in sunny locations when given average care. It should receive some fertilizer high in nitrogen three times during the growing season, and shold be watered thoroughly each week during hot dry spells.

bluegrass. It produces a dense dark green growth, which appears to resist the invasion of diversion provision of the consticertain weeds. It forms a very tution. beautiful lawn and when established is more drought tolerant than is Kentucky bluegrass. Its rates on any future highway place is in the open where there is no competition from roots or this bill would subtract from shade of trees. It requires liberal highway funds about \$328,000 supplies of fertilizer containing annually. nitrogen for best results.

grow in shaded areas. It thrives would obviously make highway in the shade of trees and to some bonds less attractive to buyers extent tolerates the competition and would inevitably mean highof tree roots if given fertilizer er interest rates. That would often. It will also grow in a sandy mean less highway construction soil where the food value and as money spent for interest is not moisture is low.

Red fescue should never be fertilized heavily with fertilizer high in nitrogen. Care must also be taken in watering the shady lawn. It should be watered only in dry periods, and very slowly over a long period of time to permit deep penetration. The type of fertilizer and the amount to ap- Folks, Giachino, Gilbert, Green, ply will be governed by the soil testing report.

Seed of the three grasses men- R. D. Mahoney, Marshall, Mrs. of 1 pound per 1,000 square feet.

### The best time for sewing a new lawn is the middle of August.

If seed cannot be sown at that time the next best time is late March or early April according to weather conditions.

Mowing of the lawn should begin when the grass reaches a If the soil test determines the height of three inches, using a blade. A Kentucky bluegrass son, Jacobetti, Kilborn, Law, lawn should be maintained at a Meggison, Mielock, Montgomery, height of 2 inches, red fescue at Morrison, Murphy, E. D. O'Brien, 21/2 inches, and Merion bluegrass

making and maintaining a good ground or crushed limestone at 1/3 peat moss to 2/3 soil. The pH lawn may be obtained from deal- The Michigan Farm Bureau has the rate of 20 lbs. per 1000 square of the peat should be as near ers in Farm Bureau lawn and urged Governor Williams to veto garden seeds.

August 1, 1959

the Farm Bureau passed last week included S. 1120, regulating the handling and sale of certified seed; S. 1219, rewriting Michigan's seriously outdated feed law, and S. 1241, to license and regulate controlled atmosphere storage of fruits and vegetables.

Bus Lines Subsidy. At the beginning of this article we mentioned passage of a bill despite our strenuous opposition. That was S. 1050 which provides for subsidizing city and suburban bus lines. All gas tax paid by

While this bill was pending in sentative a letter on the subject

"It is our contention that it these city and suburban bus lines require special subsidizing, the cost of any such program should be met by the areas receiving such below-cost service it should not be extracted from highway funds which are paid by motorists of the entire State and which should be equitably expended for a complete highway program of construction and maintenance of State trunklines county highways, and city and village streets, as provided by the existing formula for distributing highway revenues.

"The attitude of our members on this subject is stated in the following paragraph from the resolution on highway finances adopted by the voting delegates at the Michigan Farm Bureau convention November 12-13, 1957 and still in effect:

"'Our greatest immed ate concern relative to highway finance is that none of the revenues now available should be siphoned off through any form of diversion, whether for financing the State Police, relocation of utility lines, subsidization of bus transportation, or for any other purpose or project, however plausible it may

"You will note that this resolution specifically opposes subsidization of bus transportation.

"If you were to pass S. 1050, it would be definitely a toe in the door opening up a whole Pandora's box of other plausible appeals for using highway revenues for non-highway purposes. If city and suburban bus lines were to be subsidized, why stop there? Why not take in the busses traveling longer routes? Why not subsidize truck operators who weren't showing a profit, or any-A 5 inch layer of prepared top bluegrass, Merion bluegrass, and body else who might be engaged in an enterprise not currently

> aying its way? In that letter we also raised the point that apparently this bill violates the anti-diversion provision of our State Constitution which provides that all revenue from the taxation of motor fuel and motor vehicles should be expended for highway pur-Merion bluegrass is a selected poses. Using part of such revand superior form of Kentucky enue for welfare or relief of bus lines, whether they needed it or not, seems contrary to the anti-

> > Also, passage of this bill would undoubtedly raise the interest bond issues. It is estimated that

Siphoning off that sizable Red fescue is the best grass to amount of highway revenue available for building roads. On the passage of this important bill in the House, the Representatives

voted as follows: YEAS: Bassett, Beadle, Blanchard, Bolt, Borgman, Bowerman, Bowman, Boyer, Bradley, Clark-Cobb, Conlin, Cooper, Copeland, Currie, DeMaso, Diggs, Edwards, Engstrom, Erlandson Hayward, Hungerford, Jeffries, Kowalski, Lesinski, Lohman, tioned may be sown at the rate McCollough, McNeeley, Nezzano Morris, Nakkula, Newton, Nill, M. J. O'Brien, O'Connor, Penczak, Petri, Phillips, Raap, Ras-mussen, Romano, C. H. Root, Ryan, Sallade, Sobieski, Strange, Sumeracki, Townsend, Warner, Whinery, Wozniak, Wurzel, Yates, Young and Speaker Peers.

NAYS: Allen, Anderson, Baird, Brigham, Crampton, Dunn, Emmons, J. J. Fitzpatrick, Gibbs, Gillespie, Gillis, Handy, Hitch-Olsen, Parker, Peltz, Roberts, E. V. Root, Jr., Smale, Sterling, Seed and fertilizers required in Terbush, Van Til, Wagner, Waldron, Williams, and Wisti. (38)

the bus subsidy bill, S. 1050.

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Huron County. East and West Huron Women's Committees met June 9 at Ubly for their annual meeting. Mrs. Marjorie Karker spoke on the annual convention of the Associated Counry Women of the World at Edinburgh, Scotland in August. Mrs. Karker and Mrs. Oliver Tompkins of District 9 will represent

Pat Ischem of National Cooperatives spoke on refrigerators and freezers. He showed film strip on preparing fruits

sponsors of this project.

grandparents are urged to have

St. Clair County. Abdul Majid, an International Foreign Youth Exchange delegate from Pakistan, explained his mission here and told us about the govern-

Our Family Fun Night, June 22 began with a potluck dinner. Allen F. Rush, of Lake Orion, dinner. Representative and Mrs. MFB board member from Membership District 3, was our participate in the program again

Tuscola County. We have contributed to the Mental Health Program and the Cancer So ciety. We are continuing our sponsorship of Il Wong, a little boy in Korea. We are sending gifts to eight boys in Caro State Hospital on their birthdays spoke to us on the work of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation program. July 8 twenty-eight of us visited the

District 7 Women's Camp will Puget Sound reaches over 100 growth and the welfare of the measurement at the top of the

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# We Entertained 160 Kentuckians

It was "this-away:" The Kentucky Farm Bureau proposed a trip for its members to look over Ohio, Michigan and Illinois Farm Bureau operations. They thought, maybe, about

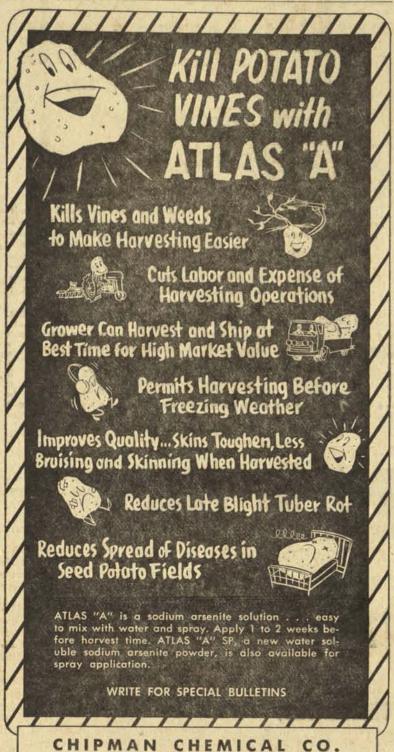
two busloads might sign up. But they must have said, "You-all come!" Looked like "they-all"

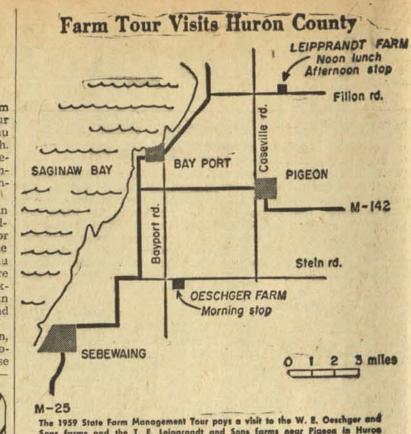
three-then four! Eighteen people for the fifth busload appealto be full to make it pay. So eighteen were left holding their blueblooded horsehide bags in the Bluegrass hills.

Even then, 160 Kentucky Farm Bureau folks piled out of four Greyhounds at the Farm Bureau Center in Lansing on July 15th. Most of them had spent the previous evening visiting Community Farm Bureaus in seven counties of southern Michigan.

At the Farm Bureau Center in Lansing, the visitors were divided into groups of about thirty or Reservations poured into the so. Each group was turned loose Kentucky Farm Bureau office. with a Michigan Farm Bureau Two busloads overflowed - then | staff member. Now, let me assure you that 160 bluegrass Kentuckians can ask a lot of questions in ed for a seat. But the buses had three hours! But "we-all" had

Enroute through Michigan, these general farmers, tobaccogrowers, and some racehorse





Sons farms and the T. E. Leipprandt and Sons farms near Pigeon in Huron County. The tour is Thursday, August 6.

breeders stopped to have a look ficiency. at Farm Bureau County offices in Monroe, Washtenaw, Lenawee and Berrien Counties.

Farm Mgt. Tour in Thumb August 6

Michigan's agriculturally rich Thumb is the site of the 1959 Farm Management Tour Thursday, August 6, in the Pigeon area of west Huron county.

Visitors will tour the farms of Wesley and Edward Oeschger of Bay Port and Ted Leipprandt of Pigeon, members of Huron Coun-



ALLAN B. KLINE

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Allan B. Kline, past president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, will speak at the noon program at the Leipprandt farm. Leonard Kyle, agr'l economist at Michigan State University, is tour leader.

# U.S. Attorney Rules on Farm Labor

Associate Legislative Counsel

A long-awaited ruling by United States Attorney General William Rogers has given the Department of Labor an OK to move ahead in its plan to establish farm labor regulations.

domestic and foreign seasonal

The regulations were proposed last February after "hearings" were held by the "National Advisory Committee on Farm Lab-This committee, which includes no farmers on its membership, was named by the littleknown "Sharecroppers Fund" 10 and met in Washington February

Farm Bureau protested the issuance of the proposed regula- Michigan. tions and questioned the author-

authorization stemmed from the legislation establishing the U. S. Employment Service 26 years ago. Since that time, Congress on several occasions has refused to enact legislation covering the type of regulation which the De- 11 FARM EQUIPMENT partment of Labor proposed.

In an opinion to Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell, the Attorney General has stated that although the law is not specific concerning this authority, "it is concerning this authority, "it is reasonable to believe that Congress intended you might resort to that authority in order to prevent the public employment service from being used in a manner which, in your judgment, concerning this authority, "it is ner which, in your judgment,

the Attorney General would not -

hearings will begin late in July 13 FARM MACHINERY or early in August on bills to regulate farm labor in various ways, including the application of wage and hour laws to farm workers.

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# Shuman Asks Congress to Call A Halt

Charles B. Shuman, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, told the House Agriculture Committee in July that "government price fixing has not insured satisfactory farm in
(8-2t-25p) 13 Federation, told the House Agri-

"Farm Bureau believes that there is a place for reasonable

and adjustment programs," Mr. payments to farmers would be Shuman said, "it is our conviction disastrous for agriculture. that a majority of farmers want every means used to eliminate move in farm policy is abundantthe excessive accumulation of ly clear," Mr. Shuman said. surplus agricultural production, to substantially reduce the use of public funds in ways that create incentives for excess farm production, to restore the farmer's freedom to utilize his resources as he chooses, to allow prices to respond to supply and demand, ity for market prices to help and to reduce costs of these programs to taxpayers."

The Farm Bureau president said abroad." present programs have encouraged excess production, stimulated Two Places

posals for direct compensatory orial in Maryland.

"The direction we need to

"In order to even approach the solution of our current farm from programs that attempt to fix prices and control production. We must provide more opportunguide needed changes in production and consumption. We must

duced markets, increased pro- United States where the Ameriduction costs, piled up surpluses, can Flag can fly legally at night and cost large sums of money. are the national capitol building He said that adoption of pro- and the Francis Scott Key mem-

# Farm Bureau Objects to Changing 480

motion of peace "is not a simple title and removed as an objective and dangers."

and supported by Farm Bureau use of synthetic substitutes, re- The only two places in the has enabled large quantities of U.S. surplus farm commodities to be sold for foreign currencies.

Public Law 480 has provided MICHIGAN FARM NEWS farm surpluses worth over \$400 million for famine relief abroad. August 1, 1959

It has provided over \$1 billion of farm surpluses for distribution in 101 foreign countries by voluntary relief organizations. Farm Bureau is opposing trans-

fer of Public Law 480 from the U.S. Dep't of Agriculture to a Peace Food Administration.

"Provisions of Senate bill 1711 The American Farm Bureau in completely change the nature of early July told the Senate For-eign Relations Committee that Lynn of the AFBF." "Trade Deusing farm surpluses for the pro- velopment is stricken from the expand markets at home and task, nor one without pitfalls As a substitute there is proposed many overlapping programs, most of which are elaborate give-Public Law 480 adopted in 1954 away mechanisms.

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tions and questioned the authority of the Department to take such action. A number of Congressmen also doubted the Department's authority.

The Department claimed its man Road, Fenton, Michigan. (Oakland County)

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likely be overruled on this mat-ter.

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price support and adjustment programs, and we think it is time for the Congress to put aside short-time political maneuvering and lend a helping hand to agriculture to maintain reasonable price supports," he added.

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# Labor Union Pressures to Organize Farmers

# Community Farm Bureau Discussion Topic for August

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> DONALD D. KINSEY Coordinator of Education and Research

Who shall control agriculture in America? Shall it be farmers themselves,-or some other group?

Who holds the seats on state and national committees and boards of agriculture today? Fewer and fewer farmers may be found on them anymore. Non-farm people now hold these posts.

Forty years ago farmers founded Farm Bureau to create a strong and united voice in their own affairs. But others have coveted the right to speak for the farmer. The efforts of labor unions to do this now have a considerable history. The approach is broad and well-planned.

Two methods of gaining control are becoming familiar. There are direct efforts to organize farmers into union "locals."

There are also indirect approaches toward control through political action, legislation and government regulation. Success in such efforts merely requires control over the law-making bodies and agencies of government.

The direct approach. Labor leaders have kept a watchful eye for symptons of unrest in farming areas. Where such occur, it has been a signal to move in with a chance of gaining control.

Conditions that breed such unrest are not hard to develop. Just keep wages and manufacturing costs rising. Farmers will then have to pay more for supplies and equipment necessary to keep the farm going. Their net earnings will be cut-and the stage is set for dissatisfaction—especially with farmers who operate close to the break-even point.

Labor Unions Don't

Aid Farm Strikes

out for lower prices on goods, in-

cluding food, for worker consum-

farmer picket lines did not exist,

according to New Jersey farm ob-

servers. The strikes failed.

Discussion Topics

These topics were chosen by your State Discussion Topic

Committee from the results of the ballots returned by Com-

Sept. Direct Compensatory Payments for all

Farm Products. What Could They Mean

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What a Farmer Stands to Lose by a Farm

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Be sure to read your Discussion Article in the Michigan

Farm News. Attend your Community Farm Bureau meet-

ings. Have your voice in Farm Bureau affairs.

will probably lack force.

Labor unions have always held

### Unions Attempt to **Organize Farmers**

Union efforts to organize farm. ers have become common, but of rather limited success up to now. Both the Teamsters and the AFL-CIO have "thrown their hats into the ring" in this effort.

Pennsylvania, the Teamsters Un- stock. ion has been very active among dairy farmers. It has organized some locals. In New Jersey, Teamsters Local 69 of dairymen assesses its members \$60 per year in dues.

# Forms of Persuasion

Pressures to join are not hard livestock as a dues check-off. generate. Union-organized milk haulers provide a way to "persuade" the farmer. As fer to run their own affairs. some of our New Jersey Farm Bureau members put it,-it is simply a matter of getting your milk hauled, or left at the farm to spoil.

This 'persuasion" is also often backed by promises to get higher prices on the market for the product, if the farmer will sign a highest price possible for the contract giving the union sole rights as bargaining agent. The union may sponsor, and can organize, farmer cooperatives for this purpose. Or it may assume control of an already organized farmers' cooperative.

Not long after the Fair Share Bargaining Association was formed in Michigan, the pages of its publication had frequent articles by State CIO leaders. It began to strongly espouse CIO policy positions.

### CIO and **National Farmers**

Correspondence in my file tells production. Shut down a farm tecting.

munity Farm Bureaus.

ruptcy?

Accident.

for Farmers?

ican Constitution.

Holl your products off the market? Go on feeding expensive feeds to livestock or poultry, until they are beyond prime conperishable products around until they spoil? Who will lose in such attempts? Up to now-it has been the farmer.

The farming situation just does not fit the strike approach to price bargaining. Farming depends on Nature. She does not respect the issues and schedules of any strike-planning group.

### **Price Bargaining**

A labor union can legally oratives for bargaining purposes. But farmers can do these things for themselves without help, influence, interference or outside

Farmers' bargaining agencies that seek to work with a union so as to fix prices or restrain trade could be prosecuted under Federal anti-trust laws, if the effort involves interstate com-

If a union agrees with a farm organization, not of its own making, to combine efforts to reduce production, increase prices in interstate commerce, that is a conspiracy to restrain trade.

Either the union, or the farmers' organization acting alone would be permitted to attempt such pricing controls.

### **Farmers and Unions Naturally Opposed**

Significant differences exist beween the farmer and the industrial workers. The industrial worker uses his union to sell a limited amount of work to a single buyer,—the employer. The farmer sells various amounts of a number of products to many

The farmer owns the "plant" of the CIO effort to take control (or rents it) where his goods are over the infant National Farmers produced. The industrial worker Organization in 1956. The N.F.O. rarely owns any part of the plant where he works. He has little or was originally organized mainly

by livestock farmers. High gov- no cash investment in his job. Employers of business decide ernment support prices on feed grains created a cost squeeze on how much labor to buy. This is have to be paid by the farmer. ivestock producers. They formed not decided by the worker nor the organization to press for his union. True, union efforts higher market prices and higher have been made to limit new In New York, New Jersey and government supports on live- production methods by opposing further automation. But the farmer, himself, must decide how N. F. O. members later were much shall be raised and offered offered a 3-year collective bar- to the market. He has to estimate gaining contract that bore the market demand.

> union pattern. It called for dues These things make union shop and assessments of \$25 per year. policy fail to fit the farm situa-If a marketing agreement was achieved, the member was to pay tion. There can be efforts to force the union shop idea to 1% of his gross annual sales of farming. The results could lead to disaster, too.

> Farmers have not flocked to Boycotts can be leveled against this standard. They seem to prefarm products just as with any other sort of product. No general boycott of this sort has yet been carried through on a broad scale. The public needs its food.

### **Boycott Used to** Force Membership

ers. Farmers aim at getting the Our Farm Bureau friends in Texas tell us that union-organizgoods marketed. The aims are died cottonseed oil mills now rerectly in conflict. Therefore, lafuse to accept cottonseed from bor's support of strikes by farmany non-union organized gin. ers, on any really effective basis, Could such pressure be stepped back to force the farmer himself In the "Teamster supported" into union membership? It is milk strikes in New Jersey, very possible.

Teamster members carried on Farmers can now choose freely on their business as though the to join their own farmer organizations-or leave them alone. The union policy has been for choosing, you could no doubt compulsory membership. But it make a lot of friends and influ-Another strike snag exists for Labor Union Pressures ... page 9 ence people. the farmer. A non-farming busiis not beyond possibility that ness or industry can shut down boycotts could be used to put infor six months or more - then dividual farmers out of business. start up again and be under full Maybe free choice is worth pro-

## Indirect Control of Agriculture

Suppose that farmers do resist being organized by labor unions The approach to control farmers is still possible by passing laws and regulations.

The 1949-50 proposal for the "Brannan Plan" reached in this direction. A large portion of the bill proposed to Congress at that time was taken up with controls and penalties upon farmers. Today a similar bill is being given serious consideration again. It is even more binding on the farmer than the 1950 proposal.

Another way to get control of the farmer is to unionize hired farm help. Up to now, the law has not forced a farmer to employ or keep a farm worker who is a union member. The farmer is not forced to bargain with a union for the wages of farm help. The unions seek to change that.

## **National Committee** on Farm Labor

Last February a meeting of the National Committee on Farm Labor" was called to consider

for only a short time, and you farm labor problems. The com- carry a lot of political permay have lost a full year's crop, mittee was a rather self-appoint- suasion. and probably most of a year's in- ed affair. No farmer found a place in its roster.

> The meeting was labelled as a hearing. It was more in the nature of a court of judgment against American farmers.

> I have a copy of the Committee report. An opening statement assures the reader that the Committee knew before it met that farm working conditions are among the worst in the nation.

"Evidence" used was clearly picked to air some of the worst that could be found. It did not reveal the normal-or-better situations of farm workers-none of the better housing and side-bene- gaining", etc. fits. It would appear that farmers ganize farmers or farmer cooper- are guilty of running slave labor camps, if you accept this "evidence."

Please take note, - this "evidence" was presented and supported by people who are always accusing the writer and Farm Bureau of presenting a biased approach to public questions.

At the hearing, Mr. Wm. Schnitzler, secretary of the AFL-CIO, said, "Farm labor conditions are the most shocking story of our time, as horrifying and degrading as the sweatshops at the turn of the century.

"Obviously two types of legislation are needed. One to establish strict controls over importation of farm labor, and the other to provide economic and social safeguards, including the right to the morning at the Michigan join unions."

learing that the AFL-CIO would building. That evening they stoppress the unionizing of farm ped at the Berrien County Farm workers "as a vital first step."

### Secretary of Labor

Following this "hearing", Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell outlined his proposals to correct

1. Housing and other facilities for farm workers would have to meet standards as set by his

2. If domestic labor is available, it would have first call over foreign workers, and expenses between the recruitment center and the farm, and return, would

3. Wages would have to be paid at the prevailing rate standardwith rates set by the Secretary of Labor. Standards for hiring foreign workers would have to be nade much more strict.

### Proposals Are Protested

Thirty-eight Congressmen have protested the proposed action as acting beyond the intent of the law," Pres. Charles Shuman of the American Farm Bureau said:

"This is legislation by adminstrative order. It simply opens the door for the unionizing of all farm workers. They are not in the desperate plight pictured at this hearing.

"Union demands could destroy the farmer's capacity to operate profitably. The farmer's cost of production has climed from \$17 billion to 241/2 billion in ten years. Net incomes have dropped \$4 billion. If new laws are needed, Congress, not the Secretary of Labor, should make them."

# Moves for Power

If you could hand out vast quantities of government surplus foods to people of your own

Under the present law, the Secretary of Agriculture can refuse to release surplus foods to any private organization. But the CIO is now talking about a change in the law. They wish this food turned over to the union for distribution to the "needy"—as they define such people. Control of \$7 billion worth of food could



Unions are seeking, too, to organize public employees-including the police and the firemen. How about a nationwide strike by such people? Is the public safety a matter that should be controlled by some special and its own advantages? Such questions are being faced by the American public today.

### Questions

1. American Farm Bureau delpossible farm working conditions egates have urged legislation to curb "feather-bedding", "secondionism" and "industry-wide bar-

Can you tell what each of these terms means?

organized by someone. In your opinion by whom should they be

- A. By government? B. By business?
- C. By labor unions?
- D. By farmers themselves?

# **Kentuckians Came** Looking for Ideas

(Continued from Page 1) Farm Bureau office at Adrian.

July 15 the entire group spent Farm Bureau at Lansing, having Mr. Schnitzler assured the meetings, and touring the office Bureau Youth Memorial Building at Berrien Springs for supper and a program.

# George Wood on Community FB

George Wood of Hope Creek written a piece in blank verse omist at Michigan State Univerpers. George Wood in the Mason

we go to the meeting of Farm Michigan's per acre farm real Bureau; We have lots of things estate values have gone up 70% to discuss. Some members put up ary boycotts", "compulsory un- quite a fuss as how farming is going to pot; they want legislation on the dot to make things worthwhile on the farm. The members are pretty fair to let 2. Farmers will undoubtedly be whether it is pigs, peanuts, wheat their neighbors have their say or hay; when all has been said and done it makes sense and some fun; after our business is discussed a friendly chat is just a must with friends and neighbors, who could ask for more?"

### **AFBF Asks Congress** For Water Law

The American Farm Bureau on July 22 told the House Interior Committee that enactment of HR Bill 5555 would reestablish the historic Congressional policy that the states have primary jurisdiction with respect to the use of water.

In 1959 eighteen state legislatures have petitioned Congress to enact water rights legislation.

40% of new carpets sold in U.S. are bought by couples married less than one year.

## Farm Real Estate Values Increase

Farm real estate costs more per acre than ever before, says Community Farm Bureau has William Heneberry, agr'l econabout his Community Farm Bu- sity. Michigan's total farm real Council. You're much safer inreau. It recalls Walt Mason, the estate averaged \$174 per acre side the car and a seat belt will privileged group to be used for Iowa newspaper poet-philosopher including farm buildings, in who became known nationally March, 1959. Up to \$400 per acre driver behind the wheel for conyears ago for his comments in in some urbanized counties, beblank verse in the daily newspa- low \$100 an acre in some areas.

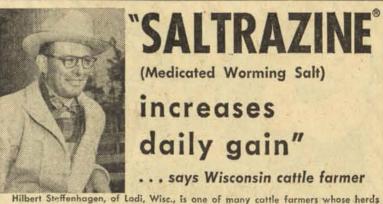
Buildings account for 44% of the total, farm homes represent "Once a month on Friday night one-half of the buildings' value. Ghana, Africa's new independent since 1950, 33% since 1954, Na- MICHIGAN FARM NEWS tion-wide farm values have followed the same trend.

### Seat Belts Make **Driving Much Safer**

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