Michigan Was First to Make AFBF Goal in 1956

WALTER WIGHTMAN (left), president of the Michigan Farm Bureau, was chosen receiving from President Charlie Shuman of the American Farm Bureau his award as the first state Farm Bureau to achieve the goal set by AFBF for membership gain in 1956. Michigan Farm Bureau members have achieved the goal set by AFBF five out of the last six years. The AFBF goal is set by the National Committee following studies by the National Research Division of Farm Bureau.

Mrs. Garn Heads MAFC

Marlen Garn of Charlotte presided over the meeting of the Michigan Association of Flying Clubs when the Michigan Farm Bureau People were seated in Boston Symphony Hall.

Legislative Seminars Start Feb. 19

County Farm Bureau Legislative Committees will hold regional Legislative Seminars beginning February 19. Starting at 10:30 a.m., the seminars offer an opportunity for members to study the legislative process and to discuss legislative issues with other members of the Michigan Legislature. The seminars are designed to educate all members of the Michigan Legislature who represent the counties and to provide a picture of the state as a whole. See the schedule of seminars in the attachment.

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T. C. Petersen at 1959 Roll Call Managers' Meeting

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Michigan Farm News

Today in Farm Bureau

JERRY CORBELY
Committee of Organization for Michigan Farm Bureau.

The drive is on for 1959 members. Over 60% of the 1959 goal of 72,387 has been achieved with a total of 30,013 reported of which 1,979 are new.

We get off to a good start at state-wide kick-off for Roll Call managers and their wives at the Michigan State University Union Ballroom December 29.

Nearly all Roll Call managers were present at this meeting where the up-to-date report was made. Awards were presented to 1958 gettoes.

Awards for 1959 were announced, challenges issued, and an inspiring message was presented by T. C. Petersen, Washtenaw Area Director for the American Farm Bureau Federation.

County kick-offs are scheduled for each county in the state beginning with the Roll Call in early January 1959.

Jan. 12, 1959, the deadline date for membership to be signed in by the members of the service program.

Do you know, this two weeks will see the determination and Farm Bureau effectiveness in 1959.

Michigan Farm Bureau Institute of December 1 and a very successful one. 208 County Farm Bureau leaders attended. The Sunday Conference was enjoyed listening to the jobs of each county and some challenges. These goals and strategies for the Institute's work would be included in the building strategy and more efficient County Farm Bureau.

The American Farm Bureau Federation Convention at Boston December 7-12 attended 170 Michigan people. Nearly all were presidents and county presidents. Michigan Farm Bureau expanded services for the convention. Reasons were:

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Federal Court Order Upsets NTEA

For about 14 years the National Tractor Equipment Association has been fighting cooperatives on the charge that some of the association's members are violating the antitrust laws. Last Monday, however, the Supreme Court of the United States, in a 7-2 decision, upheld a lower court's order compelling NTEA to answer complaints of conspiring against it.

NTEA spokesman President Zane Reed said the association would not stop the investigations against it. They would keep Secretaries S. D. Whitehead and C. B. Buri said that the case had been operated by the co-operatives, who had not been able to visit the court before the case was decided.

This charge was not true, according to the court, because in the case of the Supreme Court, the co-operatives were also represented. The case was decided on the basis of the facts, not on the merits of the claims.
Activities of Women of Michigan Farm Bureau

District 1
Mrs. Alice Fowser, Chairman
Cass County Farm Bureau Women's Committee and Board of Directors, 805 E. Market St., Room 306, Cassopolis, Mich. 49014

Co-mo Discount Nursery, 105 E. Sewall St., Cassopolis, Mich. 49014

Cauliflower, Kales, Tomatoes, Rutabaga,

The women of Cass County Farm Bureau Women's Committee enjoyed a kick-off meeting for the 1960 Crop, with berries and fruits from the community garden. Mrs. Alice Fowser, Chairman, said that a kick-off meeting will be held in the near future for the 1961 Crop.

Enthusiasm and interest were very high and the Crop Board is looking forward to a successful Crop year.

In the past Cass County Farm Bureau Women's Committee has tended the vegetable plot at the annual county fair in Cassopolis, in which the group has been successful in obtaining prizes.

District 2
Mrs. O. L. Grant, Chairman
Calhoun County Farm Bureau Women's Committee

A tour of the farm was made by the members of the women's committee. The tour started at the home gardens of Mrs. O. L. Grant, where the group was welcomed by Mrs. Grant, who gave them a tour of her garden. Mrs. Grant's garden is a beautiful example of good garden practice and the group was very impressed with the variety of plants and the care that had been taken in the garden.

After the tour, the group had a luncheon at the home of Mrs. O. L. Grant. The luncheon was served on the patio of the house, and the food was delicious. The group spent the afternoon touring the rest of the county and seeing other gardens and farms. The tour was a great success and the members of the group were very pleased with the day.

District 3
Mrs. C. L. Young, Chairman
Livingston County Farm Bureau Women's Committee

The committee is sponsoring a garden tour in the near future and the group is looking forward to a successful tour. The tour will be held on Saturday, May 10th, at 9:30 a.m., at the home of Mrs. C. L. Young, who will be the host for the tour.

The garden tour will feature a variety of gardens, including fruit and vegetable gardens, flower gardens, and herb gardens. The group will be able to see a wide range of plants and flowers, and the tour is sure to be a great success.

In the past Livingston County Farm Bureau Women's Committee has sponsored a number of successful garden tours, and the group is looking forward to another successful tour this year.

District 4
Mrs. E. A. Caples, Chairman
Mecosta County Farm Bureau Women's Committee

The committee is sponsoring a garden tour in the near future and the group is looking forward to a successful tour. The tour will be held on Saturday, June 10th, at 9:30 a.m., at the home of Mrs. E. A. Caples, who will be the host for the tour.

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The Home Flower Garden

The Mixed Flowers Border

K. L. CHAPMAN

The mixed flower border is a simple and effective way to enhance the beauty of the garden. It consists of a row of flowers planted in a straight line, with a variety of colors and heights. The flowers should be selected to complement each other in terms of color and height, and should be planted in a way that is pleasing to the eye.

The border can be planted in the spring or fall, depending on the weather and the type of flowers used. The flowers should be planted in a well-drained, sunny location, and should be watered regularly. The border can be used as a border for a garden or as a focal point in the landscape.

The flowers used in the border should be selected to complement each other in terms of color and height. Some of the flowers that can be used in a mixed flower border include:

- Delphinium: tall, blue flowers that add height and color to the border
- Larkspur: tall, blue flowers that add height and color to the border
- Spider Mum: tall, yellow flowers that add height and color to the border
- Zinnia: tall, red flowers that add height and color to the border

The flowers should be planted in a way that is pleasing to the eye. The flowers should be spaced evenly in the border, and should be planted in a way that is easy to maintain.

The border can be used as a border for a garden or as a focal point in the landscape. It can be used to enhance the beauty of the garden and to add color and interest to the landscape. The border can be used to complement other elements in the landscape, such as trees, shrubs, and other flowers.

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Lansing, Michigan

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Pigs
Sold by December 3 at all the dealers in the M. G. Farm News.

Get Them
Advertised in Dec. 1 Pigs are average and short. Good potatoes and truck. Got them in four days. Rana Ross, 1-2.

Dairy Cattle
Advertised 11 heads and 2 in Michigan Farm News to December 1. Sold seven head in one week. John Borth, New York.

5. BARTON

DRINKING CUPS GUARANTEED 15 Years

Single, Easy Assembling Plant Valve F. P. Sanitary Insulation

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All Model EPHD Drinkers are equipped with thermostatically controlled, factory installed 350 watt heating elements. The element is clamped to the bottom of the cup with the thermostat located in the cup for more accurate water temperature control.

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Model EPHD-2

2-cup drinker

only $4.20

Model EPHD-4

4-cup drinker

only $5.08

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3 BABY CHEEKS

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1 METZ STRAW BLOWER

1 FAST MANURE SPREADER

1 FISH POLE REEL

1 SARAN "K" BAGS

1 FAIRLY CHEAP

1 SILO

1 TRUCKS

1 JEDS HAY PRODUCTS

1 MAPLE SYRUP

1 TAX SERVICE

1 WANTED TO BUY

1 UNIFORMS

1 FARM BUREAU MEMBERS

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1 NURSERY STOCK

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They Outline Our Program of Work

We present the second installment of the Resolutions on State Affairs adopted at the 98th annual meeting of the American Farm Bureau Federation, which was held in Washington, November 11-12, 1958. The first section was published in our edition for December 1.

We accord an urgent appeal to our National and International Affairs which will be published in the Nation’s Agriculture, probably for January.

The resolutions of the Michigan Farm Bureau resolutions dealing with the Michigan Farm Bureau organization will be published in another edition of this paper.

The Michigan Farm Bureau resolutions were recommended to the annual meeting of the American Farm Bureau Federation at Boston, December 7 to 11.

Cattle Diseases

We are gratified at the progress which has been made in the eradication and control of Brucellosis among Michigan cattle during the period of the past year. We call attention to the need for maintaining that progress. We encourage the free movement of cattle both to and from Michigan for purposes of breeding.

We should strive toward the reduction of the losses of over $1,000,000 from Michigan herds by Brucellosis.

Our recommendation is based on the work of the Bureau's Brucellosis Committee, which is responsible for the following recommendations:

1. Provide for the best interest of agriculture, we recommend that the question of the present Brucellosis testing and control program be handled by the State Department of Agriculture. The State should be charged with the primary responsibility for the control of Brucellosis in the State. It should be fully equipped in personnel and facilities to do the work. It is emphatically evident that the control of Brucellosis is closely related to the economic welfare of the State's farmers.

2. The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals recommends that the present Brucellosis testing and control program be handled by the State Department of Agriculture. The State should be charged with the primary responsibility for the control of Brucellosis in the State. It should be fully equipped in personnel and facilities to do the work. It is emphatically evident that the control of Brucellosis is closely related to the economic welfare of the State's farmers. The State should be responsible for the control of Brucellosis.

3. We recommend the organization of a program for the prevention of Brucellosis, which should be coordinated with the work of the Bureau's Brucellosis Committee. The program should be funded by the Legislature, and should provide for the following:

   a. A program of calfhood vaccination to be conducted in 64 counties containing the largest number of dairy herds. The program should be conducted on a county-wide basis, and should be administered by the Bureau's Brucellosis Committee.

   b. A program of adult vaccination, which should be conducted on a voluntary basis, and should be administered by the Bureau's Brucellosis Committee.

   c. A program of retesting, which should be conducted on a voluntary basis, and should be administered by the Bureau's Brucellosis Committee.

   d. A program of control activities, which should be conducted on a county-wide basis, and should be administered by the Bureau's Brucellosis Committee.

Marketing Programs

We are gratified at the progress which has been made in the marketing of Michigan dairy products, and we recommend that the program be continued.

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Slaughter Houses

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License and Show Dates

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License
Farm Bureau's Proposals for Better Living

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To eliminate losses, it is proposed that

The actual chore of raising the money to

Conservation Costs

The annual expense in con-

Christmas Trees

If a tree is in Michigan it is up to the

Motor Boats

Many complaints have been

Water Rights

The growing interest in prob-

The best way to prevent jamming of

Inspection of Milk

We propose the present dairy

Farmers Weekly Dairy Programs on WKR

how to lift heavy objects:

Quality Milk

The proposal is that cheddar should

Dairy Promotion

We urge every dairyman and his

Feeder Pig

We recognize the problems

Deer Management

We believe that too much of the

Tree Nurseries

We believe that the following is

State Parks

Michigan’s resources and the

the state parks so that those

Seal Beaches

It is proposed that the estimated

Resolutions Committee

We urge the legislature to

Farmers

We are encouraged by the

County Farm Bureau Secretaries

Following are the names and addresses of

How to Lift Heavy Things

When you are certain that the

Dairy Group

We are encouraged by the

Sale of Feeder Pig

We recognize that the pigs

Market Control

We are opposed to any state

Hunting

Deer in the area of

The Michigan Department of

AFBF Meeting

At MEFBF who attended the

They Attended

The following is a list of

We believe that the Conserva-

Doorman

Due to the area of Michigan

Breeding Groups

Our members were requested to

Sanitary Standards

The provision of the Grade A

Library

The library of the

Application Form

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Name and Address

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We recommend that this

Farm Bureau membership makes one eligible for (1) group Blue

The conservation of our lands, water conservation measures be

It is proposed that the

We urge the members to

Our task is to make

Water and Sanitary Standards

The annual expense in the

Market Control

We believe that the best

We urge the establishment of a

Maturity of Fruit

We desire to help the


does this a good job in

The recommendation is

Farmers

We believe that our

Rural-urban

We believe that much of the

We believe that the Conser-

Milk

The proposed Grade of the

We urge the following

Farmers

We believe that the

We are pleased to announce

Rural-urban

We believe that the Conserva-

they can be frequently seen, the

Basking in the Sun

We believe that community

Application for Membership

We recommend that the

We recommend that water

Farmers

We are happy that the

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Facts About Property Taxation in Michigan

Community Farm Bureau Discussion Topic for January

Background Material for Program in January by Our 1955 Community Farm Bureau Discussion Groups

DONALD D. KEINZ

Chairman of Committee on Finance

(1) This is the second topic in our discussion series on government operations. It is a subject which is of increasing interest to the public and related bodies. We cannot afford to ignore the problems we face, but we must find better ways of meeting our needs. This is a common complaint of its citizens—and it is linked to these “growing pains.” This is a headline that is less than a few months.

Our property tax has become so burdensome at times that the cry for relief is constant by some property owners. Their demand that tax responsibility be more fairly spread among the people has a good cause beneath it.

It seems a sound argument to claim that any tax which destroys a good and necessary use of land is not only harmful to the owner but also is a hazard to the government which imposes the tax.

In this connection, let us not be so close to the destructive use of taxation several times. Property owners have sometimes been forced to surrender ownership due to tax burdens. The state has suffered the loss of part of its tax base.

Our Changing State

When Michigan’s Constitution of 1835 was adopted, the major emphasis was on the kinds of taxes which were then used to support the government. These were real estate, personal property, and the like. This was done in a day when the growth of cities and the spread of industry was not in mind. The general government, for example, was designed to fall into three classes: the state, with local governments, and the city. The functions of government were not so sharply divided as they are today.

The use of real estate and personal property as a base of taxable wealth is an old and the basis of our present system of taxation. It is not possible to set up a system with as much simplicity and uniformity as is possible with such a tax base.

Other forms of wealth may be divided up. Farm and home together are usually the most important. If there is any balance in the economy, then the property tax on real estate will be the basis of a large part of the tax system. It means the abandonment of certain duties of the state. It also means the abandonment of certain duties of the property owners. It means the abandonment of certain duties of the family unit. It means the abandonment of certain duties of the parent. It also means the abandonment of certain duties of the parent.

Some have argued that taxation of personal property is harmful. In general, however, it means the abandonment of certain duties of the state. It means the abandonment of certain duties of the family unit. It means the abandonment of certain duties of the parent. It also means the abandonment of certain duties of the parent.

Arguments do not settle whether the property tax is fair. The only way to settle the question is to have a fair tax system, not one based on the property tax.

There are many arguments against the property tax. It is not a simple tax. It is a tax on the real estate of the person, not on his ability to pay. It is a tax on the real estate of the person, not on his ability to pay. It is a tax on the real estate of the person, not on his ability to pay. It is a tax on the real estate of the person, not on his ability to pay.

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