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

President's Column



MR. WIGHTMAN

The passing of Mrs. Brody brings to mind many of the experiences that we all have had in our many contacts with the Brody family. She was the mother of six who have taken their places in society and in their own communities in a manner that has been a credit to the family.

In the frequent heart-to-heart talks that many of us have had with Mr. Brody in his office, we learned many things about life and how best to live. He never wears his religion on his coat sleeve, but he is one who could make life-long friends out of those that appeared in the beginning to be his enemies.

The parting words when we would leave the office would always be, "If there is anything I can do to help in any way, be sure to let me know." Mr. Brody's acquaintances are not confined to the immediate community. He has many personal friends all over the United States, including such important people as Ezra Taft Benson, True D. Morse, and many, many others too numerous to mention here.

Of such is the life and influence of the man who nursed the now 70,000 farm family Farm Bureau, then in its infancy. It was made possible by the lifetime contract entered into many years ago by Mr. and Mrs. Clark Brody. She has gone on to better things and will be waiting there for her family and the great host of her friends.

In the meantime, Clark, "If there is anything we can do to help in any way, be sure to let us know." should be the responsibility of a cooperative association to certify to the Internal Revenue Service "that its written instrument is of such legal quality."

and ring-and-bolt joints hold up best. Joints held together with nails alone don't take full advantage of lumber strength." The engineer advises farmers to check on strength before purchasing a new building. The contractor should be able to give a definite indication of the "safe load."

Pres. Shuman States

AFBF Position On Co-op Income Tax

Charles B. Shuman, president of the American Farm Bureau, has told Congress that all net savings and income of farmer cooperatives should be subject to a single federal income tax, to be paid either by the cooperative, or by the patron, as earned.

Mr. Shuman made three recommendations to the House Ways and Means Committee regarding income tax for farmer cooperatives: (1) That net savings and income of a farmer cooperative paid to its members in cash should be taxable to the member and tax-exempt to the cooperative.

(2) That net savings and income paid by a cooperative to its members in the form of a "written instrument" of such legal quality that all members receiving it will be under a legal obligation to include the face amount thereof as gross income" should also be taxable to the member and tax-exempt to the cooperative.

(3) That other income of cooperatives should be subject to the corporate income tax. The Farm Bureau president made it clear that the "written instrument" referred to in his second recommendation should be of real value to the cooperative member.

Mr. Shuman said that it should be the responsibility of a cooperative association to certify to the Internal Revenue Service "that its written instrument is of such legal quality."

Shuman Says No Defenders For Present Wheat Plan

President Charles B. Shuman of the American Farm Bureau has told the Senate Agricultural Committee that the present wheat program has virtually no defenders.

Failure of Congress to pass corrective legislation "would make more severe the adjustments that must come." Mr. Shuman said no plan will solve the basic problem or serve the longrun interests of farmers "unless it encourages market expansion, reduces incentives for the production of unneeded supplies, minimizes economic hardships on wheat growers, and avoids shifting the burden of adjustment to other farmers."

To accomplish these objectives, the Farm Bureau president advocated legislation that would: (1) Eliminate acreage allotments and marketing quotas, ef-

fective with the 1961 wheat crop. (2) Base wheat supports—beginning in 1961—on the support level for corn, with upward adjustments to reflect differences in weight, nutritive value and buyer preference; however, wheat would be supported at not less than 120 percent of corn in 1961.

(3) Protect all farmers against the competition of CCC sales from accumulated wheat stocks, which now total over 1.4 billion bushels. This protection would be made effective by providing that no CCC wheat could be sold for domestic use or dollar exports at less than 150 percent of the effective support price, plus reasonable carrying charges.

(4) Help farmers make needed adjustments in land use by expanding the Conservation Reserve program to 60 million acres by 1963. He opposed a proposed "revised wheat certificate plan" which he said would "hurt other farmers, be costly to taxpayers, impair our relations with foreign countries, and not even serve the interests of the traditional wheat growers who have the biggest stake in the future of this commodity."

He also opposed a reported plan to increase the support price for wheat and cut acreage allotments substantially. "Any proposal that increases or even maintains the current level of price support would lead us further down the road of excess production, lost markets, continuing surpluses, higher export subsidies, and rising annual expenditures for wheat programs," he said.

Figures from Michigan weather records show there is only one chance in four of hitting three consecutive days without rain between June 6 and June 15.



MRS. MARGARET E. BRODY

Mrs. Brody Dies at 80

Mrs. Margaret E. Brody, wife of Clark L. Brody, died at Lansing June 16. She was 80 and had been in failing health for about eight weeks following several strokes. Mr. and Mrs. Brody were married nearly 54 years. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in November, 1956.

Her sympathetic understanding, vision, and wise counsel and encouragement were a constant inspiration to Mr. Brody in his 33 years of service with the Michigan Farm Bureau. She assisted her husband when he wrote the book "In the Service of the Farmer," a history of the Michigan Farm Bureau from 1919 through 1959.

She was active in church, school, music, literary and civic groups. Mrs. Brody was born in Cass county and became a school teacher. She and Mr. Brody were married at Three Rivers in November 1906 and were dairy farmers at Fabius, St. Joseph county. Mr. Brody was county agricultural agent for St. Clair county April 1, 1915 to March 1, 1921.

Seminar Studies Government Spending

The present Congress has shown little interest in economy," said a speaker at a meeting to study state and local financial problems in Michigan held in Lansing in June. "We continue to add programs and operate on an unbalanced budget in good years and bad, with no disposition to tighten our belts."

Michigan Wheat

About 80 per cent of Michigan's wheat crop is soft white winter wheat, a class used for pastries and related foods. YOU CAN MAKE ELECTRIC FENCE FASTER—BETTER WHEN YOU USE DARE Minute Man GALVANIZED STEEL ELECTRIC FENCE WIRE



GAUGES 15 TO 19 ON METAL SPOOLS —OR IN COILS— 80 ROD OR 160 ROD NO. 611—19 GAUGE ILLUSTRATED On Sale at Most Farm Bureau Dealers in Michigan

State Farm Tour is Aug. 3 Near Jackson
Jackson county will be host for the 1960 State Farm Management Tour on August 3.
Tour of Gardens
Conducted tour of gardens and shrub collections at Michigan State University feature Garden Day on the East Lansing campus, July 23, 1960.

HAIL INSURANCE On Farm and Garden Crops
Almost \$4 million has been paid to Michigan farmers for hail-ruined crops by Michigan Mutual Hail Insurance during the past 49 years.
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Today in Farm Bureau

ROGER FOERCH
Manager, Organization Division
Good news came to us today. The first District to go over goal is District 9. Our congratulations! And may the next District come in soon.
The District Mid-year Series is about over. Up to now, only one county has been absent. The total attendance has been about 400. This is real good considering the weather and the pressure of farm work.
One of the items being discussed is the Michigan Farm Bureau membership goal for 1961. Due to the fact that there are a couple more District meetings to be held, we are unable to give you the final figure. Watch this space next month for the goal that was set by the Districts.

June was State Camp Month for both Farm Bureau Women and the Farm Bureau Young People. The reports we have so far indicate that they were the best yet.
June was also the month that Michigan Farm Bureau had its first Clergy Conference. There will be more next month on the results of this Conference.

Membership is 70,467. New memberships are coming in each day. The goal-getters have now reached a total of seventeen counties. The latest to join the ranks are: Oakland, Presque Isle, Otsego, Wayne, Kalkaska, and Ogemaw.

Future events:
July—Membership Committees make plans for the 1961 Roll Call.
August—Primary election August 2.
August—Government Regional Safety Conferences:
August 1—Ypsilanti
August 3—Port Huron
August 5—Three Rivers
August 12—Traverse City
August 15—Mount Pleasant
Roll Call Managers start on the job in August. See you next month.

The world's longest railroad bridge is the 12-mile trestle over Great Salt Lake in Utah.

PHONE CALLS BRIGHTEN UP LONG AFTERNOONS

Minutes before, you were alone in the empty house and feeling lonesome. Suddenly, the most cheerful sound of the day... your telephone rings, and it's a neighbor you haven't seen in a while.
That's the wonderful thing about the telephone: it's always there, ready to brighten up a long afternoon with a friendly chat!
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EDITORIAL

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ty-nine bills opposed by the Farm Bureau were not enacted. Only one bill opposed by the Farm Bureau was passed.
One of his important services was bringing Dan Reed to the department as Associate Legislative Counsel. Dan assists Stanley with state legislation and works continuously on national issues.
The Michigan Farm News has been indispensable to the Farm Bureau's legislative program. It has provided continuous information on Farm Bureau's state and national legislative programs to every one of the Farm Bureau's 70,000 members.

The fundamental purpose of the legislative activities from the beginning has been to maintain freedom and opportunity for farmers to solve their problems and advance their standard of living.
The Legislative Department has served us well, from the early efforts in the 1920's to helping 70,000 Farm Bureau members deal with the complex legislative problems of 1960.

Mackinac Island's Role in History
Enveloped in the midst of legend and still reflecting the tranquility of the 19th century is Michigan's Mackinac Island. This small parcel of land rises high, proud and green from the Straits of Mackinac in the very shadow of the world's longest suspension bridge which now links the two peninsulas of Michigan.
The island once played a crucial role in the struggle between England and France for supremacy in the new world. For, those who controlled Mackinac controlled the rich fur trade of the Great Northwest.

Ad Sold Equipment
Extension wheels for corn planting, offered in the Farm News classified ads April 1st, sold quickly. Robert Nason, Belding.

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Friendship Acres for Needy People Overseas

Signs like these are going up in a number of Michigan counties. Any farmer willing to share an acre or more of his farm products with needy people overseas may do so through CROP.

Blaque Knirk on the right of Branch County and a member of the Michigan Farm Bureau board of directors takes time from his corn planting to receive his sign from Glyn Dee Havens, Chairman of the "FRIENDSHIP ACRES" project for Branch County. Mr. Knirk has set aside one acre of his 1960 corn harvest to give to CROP.

Elev. Exch. Manager

J. STANLEY SHERMAN of Freeland has been named general manager of the Michigan Elevator Exchange. The announcement was made by the Board of Directors of the cooperative marketing association recently.

Clear Lake Site of State Camp

The annual Farm Bureau Young People's State Leadership Camp was held at Clear Lake Camp at Dowling June 16 to 19. Forty-three young people from 17 counties attended.



starting your car in the garage, open the doors first. Get the car out into the open air as soon as possible.
2. Never drive with all windows closed. Dress for the weather and keep good ventilation at all times. Plenty of fresh air will keep you safe and alert.

3. Close fresh-air vents when standing in a line of traffic so that the heater will not pick up the carbon monoxide from vehicles ahead of you. This is important particularly where fresh-air intakes are at the front of the vehicle.
4. Have your exhaust system checked for leaks. Replace burned-through, rusted-through, or cracked parts immediately.
5. Remember that carbon-monoxide is colorless, odorless, and tasteless. However, if you smell exhaust fumes, you can be sure that carbon-monoxide is present.

Spiders are not classed as insects.

Farm Income Figures Looked Good in 1958

Average amount that the 870 farmers in the Michigan mail-in farm accounting project paid themselves for their labor in 1958 was \$3,426.

Seaway, New Bean Variety For Michigan

A new, early maturing, mosaic-resistant bean variety called Seaway has been announced by Michigan State University and the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

The Seaway is resistant to common bean mosaic. Sanilac and Michelite — the principal varieties now grown in Michigan—have only partial resistance.

Warns Drivers About Carbon Monoxide

Herb Schindler, Jr., president of the Michigan Trucking Ass'n, has warned drivers about the danger from carbon - monoxide poisoning.

Asks MFB For Help on Nat'l Farm Policies

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"Our membership is in tune with your goal of developing a farm program which can help farmers obtain their fair share of the national economy, yet one which will preserve for them their freedom and independence."

"I am enclosing with this letter copies of our statement of policy on state and national issues which I believe you will find informative and helpful."

"Farmers are also favorably impressed with the relative economy of the conservation reserve program when compared with the costs of storing and maintaining the present growing stock of agricultural surpluses."

"The policies outlined in the enclosed statements were developed by Farm Bureau members and approved in County Farm Bureau annual meetings held throughout the state last fall."

at the State annual convention held in East Lansing in November, 1959.

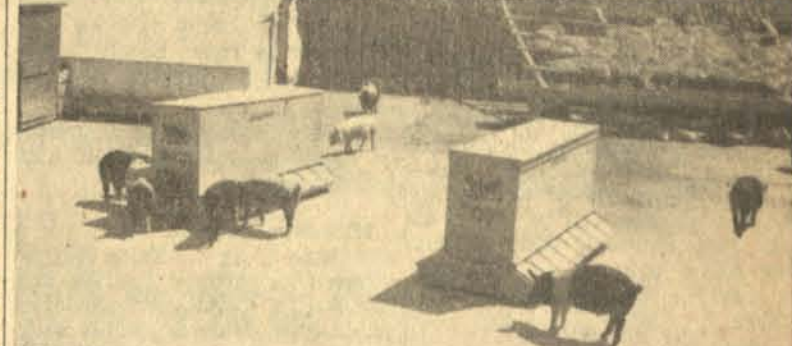
C. R. Hoglund of the M.S.U. department of agricultural economics said that larger operations, higher labor costs and a desire to take the drudgery out of feeding and livestock chores are major reasons for this trend.

Hoglund Tells Labor Saving Developments

Silage storage capacity on Michigan farms has increased by 40 per cent in the past four years, a Michigan State University farm economist told a Farmers' Week audience this year.

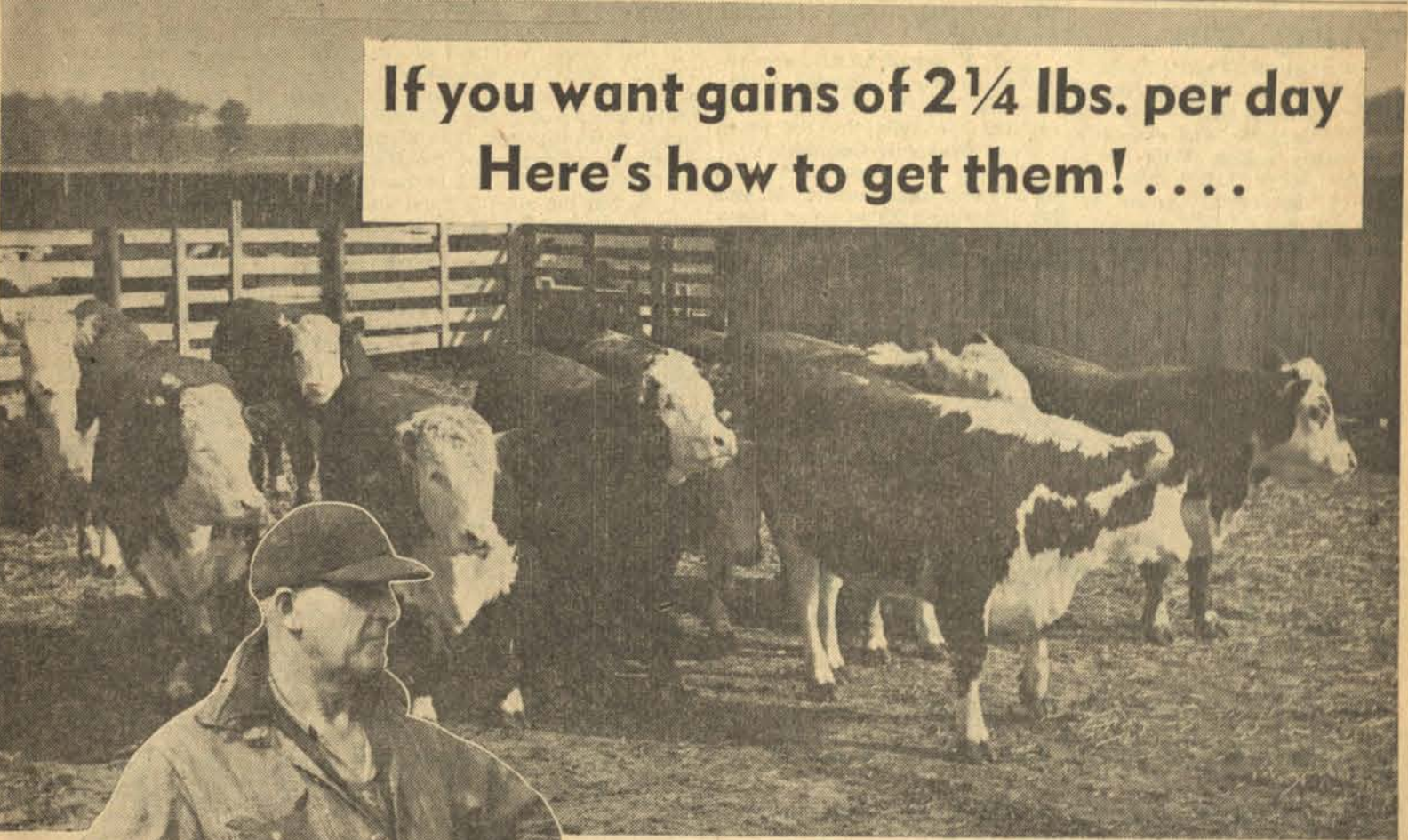
For \$60 per cow, a dairyman can mechanize to feed forage to a 60-cow herd in an hour a day.

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"I get them with Farm Bureau Feeds," says Vic Pohl of Mt. Pleasant. Here's how:

- 1. From previous experience in feeding Farm Bureau Cattle Supplement 55%, the gains exceeded other feeding programs.
- 2. My feeding program consists of feeding good corn ensilage with cob corn, oats and barley. Farm Bureau Steer Supplement 34% was fed from November through March, and Cattle Supplement 55% with Stilbestrol fed from then to September or market time.
- 3. Gains of 2 1/4 lbs. per day was figured from Western weight to Marketing weight, which is from November to September, and was on Calves that weighed 450# at time of purchase.
- 4. Presently feeding 106 Steers.

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