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Members of the Constitutional Convention committee dealing with "Legislative Organization" have been told in no uncertain terms that Michigan farmers expect a continuation of the two-House "bicameral" system.

In a hearing before that group November 28, Dan E. Reed, Associate Legislative Counsel for the Michigan Farm Bureau, pointed out that the present two-House system of government had provided safeguards lost in a single-House Legislature.

Elsewhere in his testimony he stated that the two House system is necessary because of the different interests and different bases that they should not be a "mere duplication or reflection" of each other.

The purpose of districting in the election of our Legislatures is to enable the electorate to select capable, qualified men and women of integrity and good judgment, who will act in the best interest of the whole state.

He added that only when districts are convenient and of "reasonable size" can electors hope to know the character of individual candidates.

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Mr. Reed said that the people of Michigan have a "right to demand that the House be reapportioned on the basis of population with recognition of realistic political boundaries." The Farm Bureau testifies in favor of this system.

Senate Districts Should Remain

In another portion of Mr. Reed's testimony it was said that Senate districts should remain as they are or be altered only on the recommendation of the State Senate itself. It was charged that the "current political situation" with litigation now before the United States Supreme Court, is not the final answer in the matter of reapportionment yet, at least, it is not a final answer in the present case.

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EDITORIAL

We're Stronger Than We Think

How strong is the Michigan Farm Bureau? How potent is the American Farm Bureau Federation?...

The farm balance sheet is our modern distress signal. The stress is tied to rising production costs...falling farm prices, actions taken by big labor, big management, big government.

All over Michigan, as far as 49 states and Puerto Rico, farmers are answering the "call" through Farm Bureau. Every right farmer belongs to an organization that belongs to Farm Bureau. This compares with only four out of every ten farmers in other states of larger economic size.

This farm strength is reflected in the Legislature and in Congress. Farmers have learned that through Farm Bureau, a minority sitting at common goals can move legislative mountains.

Fifty major farm-interest-attention, outlined in bills introduced in the last session of Congress, Farm Bureau members received favorable action on 31. Farmers' wishes were reflected on ten of the fifty occasions and on nine other issues farmers won only a portion of what they asked.

In the Michigan Legislature the record has been even more spectacular.

No other comparable group has a comparable record.

M. W.

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Stanley Powell Reports on Con Con Proceedings

Never a day goes by that several of my well-wishing friends ask me, "How are things going in the Con-Con?"

I have no idea how to reply. It would take an hour or two to give any intelligent answer and I know that I am not expected or desired.

The 14th Annual Convention of the Farm Bureau has listened to the various proposals dealing with the reduction of the national debt. The Farm Bureau is a strong supporter of the debt reduction program and believes that this is the way to get the job done. The Farm Bureau is asking for your support on this important issue. In order to be included in the full committee, the first action is an invitation to the sponsor or sponsors of a proposal to appear and to explain the reasons for its introduction.

On matters of general interest, public hearings have been held in which persons who are being asked to provide valuable information or advice are invited to participate.

Legislative Seats are Hot Issue

Thus far, no one subject has received as much attention as the matter of legislative seats. The committee on Legislative Organization has held several meetings in each week and has focused all of its attention on this issue. The committee is working closely with a great many professors and spokesmen for groups with widely differing points of view.

Recently, I was privileged to be a guest speaker at the American Farm Bureau Federation's annual convention. I have no idea what to say, but in my view I am on the board.

The committee on Educational Activities has been very active. The committee is working closely with a great many professors and spokesmen for groups with widely differing points of view.

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Activities of Women of Michigan Farm Bureau

District 2

Mrs. Glen Hinkleman, Chairwoman, East LeRoy 8-B

Benton Harbor--At the last meeting representing fourteen counties at a meeting of the Women of Michigan Farm Bureau, Mrs. Olney reported on the annual membership meeting. Several resolutions were passed, including the election of a new chairwoman, Mrs. Alberta Runkman, and the installation of officers for the coming year. The program for the coming year was discussed, including the need for increased membership and participation in local Farm Bureau activities. The Women's Committee held a potluck lunch, and plans were made for future meetings and events.

District 3

Mrs. Wm. Sessnall, Chairman, Skinner, 8-B

McKinzie--At the last meeting, Mrs. F. T. Miller reported on the Women's Committee's activities during the past year. The committee held a successful fund-raising event, and plans were made for a new project to be announced in the future. The program for the coming year was discussed, including the need for increased membership and participation in local Farm Bureau activities. The Women's Committee held a potluck lunch, and plans were made for future meetings and events.

District 6

Mrs. Bruno Soppa, Chairman, Addison 6-A

West Branch--At the last meeting, Mrs. Helen Birkby reported on the Women's Committee's activities during the past year. The committee held a successful fund-raising event, and plans were made for a new project to be announced in the future. The program for the coming year was discussed, including the need for increased membership and participation in local Farm Bureau activities. The Women's Committee held a potluck lunch, and plans were made for future meetings and events.

Women Have Nearly 500 at Convention

The Women of Michigan Farm Bureau held their annual convention in Traverse City, with nearly 500 members attending. The convention included a variety of events, including a plenary session, breakout sessions, and a tour of local attractions. The convention was held at the Traverse City Convention Center, and plans were made for future meetings and events.

Midwinter Educational Tour

Sponsored by Michigan Farm Bureau

January 29 through February 5, 1962

Theme--"Seeing America's Greatness"

This tour is designed to combine education and entertainment to strengthen the members' understanding of certain phases of our American life. The tour will be made by chartered Greyhound bus, leaving Lansing January 29 and returning February 5.

Features of the trip will include:

- A suggested Christmas project to help the handicapped children.
- A tour of the Farm Bureau building in Washington, D.C.
- A visit to the United States Capitol.
- A tour of the National Gallery of Art.
- A visit to the Smithsonian Institution.
- A tour of the Library of Congress.
- A visit to the White House.
- A tour of the Supreme Court.
- A visit to the Pentagon.
- A tour of the Department of State.
- A visit to the Department of Agriculture.
- A tour of the Department of Commerce.
- A visit to the Department of Labor.
- A visit to the Department of Housing and Urban Development.
- A tour of the Department of Transportation.
- A visit to the Department of the Treasury.
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Meet Miss Michigan Farm Bureau of West Branch

Gail Findlay, West Branch--At the Women's Committee's annual meeting, Mrs. Findlay was elected president of the Women's Committee.

District 10W

Mrs. Theo. Winkla, Chairman, Chardonel 8-B

Carrington--At the last meeting, Mrs. W. W. Winkla reported on the Women's Committee's activities during the past year. The committee held a successful fund-raising event, and plans were made for a new project to be announced in the future. The program for the coming year was discussed, including the need for increased membership and participation in local Farm Bureau activities. The Women's Committee held a potluck lunch, and plans were made for future meetings and events.

District 10E

Mrs. Lee S. LaPierre, Chairman, Okemos 8-B

East Lansing--At the last meeting, Mrs. M. D. LaPierre reported on the Women's Committee's activities during the past year. The committee held a successful fund-raising event, and plans were made for a new project to be announced in the future. The program for the coming year was discussed, including the need for increased membership and participation in local Farm Bureau activities. The Women's Committee held a potluck lunch, and plans were made for future meetings and events.

With the annual membership drive in full swing, the ladies of the 4th Fourth Annual Food Week tour, "My Farm, My Country," has been in full swing. During this tour, the Food Week tour, "My Farm, My Country," has been in full swing. During this tour, the Food Week tour, "My Farm, My Country," has been in full swing.

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A REPORT TO FARM BUREAU MEMBERS

from your
PETROLEUM COMPANY

Your Farm Bureau Petroleum Cooperative has completed its 13th year of successful operations, as of August 31, 1961. Sales volume of Power Balanced gasoline, heating fuels, and diesel fuels increased 500,000 gallons over last year for a new all time high.

Savings for members were $392,000, compared to $306,000 last year. A portion of savings will be returned to members in cash. Many local Petroleum Cooperatives will also have savings going back to their members as their fiscal years end.

The products distributed by Farmers Petroleum Cooperative are available to every Farm Bureau member in the lower peninsula through the locations listed below. The petroleum program can be of greater service and savings to members with more participation.

The management, staff, and board of directors would like to thank you for your patronage this past year. All stockholders in Farmers Petroleum Cooperative will receive an Annual Report with more detailed information. Any Farm, Bureau member wishing to have a copy of the Annual Report should write to Farmers Petroleum Cooperative, 4000 N. Grand River, Lansing, Michigan.

For quality products, service and savings, see your local distributor listed below

ALGONAC
Don Kilpatrick, R. #1
Harrison

ALLEGAN
Allan Farmers Co-op, 101 Hubbard St.
Allegan

Manistee Co-op Elevator Co., 307 Water St.
Manistee

Wally RUNDLE, R. #1
Gales
dale

Salem Co-op Co.
Salem

Union Service Station, 134 Water St.
Allegan

ALPENA
Thunder Bay Farmers Co-op

Alcona

Curt Comer
Central Lake

ARENAC
Del Sanders, R. #2
Pinconning

BARRY
Farmers Petroleum Cooperative Branch
Bay City

Branch Co. Farm Bureau Oil Co., R. #5

Coldwater

Ruth Farmers Elevator
Ruth

H.O. Neal
Lafayette

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Farmers Petroleum Cooperative Branch
Batesville

Branch Co. Farm Bureau Oil Co., R. #5

Coldwater

CAITHNESS
Farmers Petroleum Cooperative Branch
Cassopolis

John Bruck, R. #2
East Jordan

CHEBOYGAN
Bay F. Garrow
Cheboygan

CLARE
Owen Frey, R. #2
Harrison

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St. Johns

Robert Pederson, R. #2

Dufur

EATON
Eaton Co. Farm Bureau Oil Co.
Charlotte

EMMET
Fred Evers, R. #2
Petoskey

GENESEE
Robert Stynes, 16239 Bird Rd.

Island

GLADWIN
Elmer Hoyt, R. #5
Cleveland

GRAND TRAPPS
Farmers Petroleum Cooperative Branch

Traverse City

GRANTON
Farmers Petroleum Cooperative Branch

Brookside

Middleton Farmers Elevator
Middleton

Slim Spaulding, R. #1
Merrill

HILLSDALE
Farmers Petroleum Cooperative Branch

Hillsdale

Huron
Bad Axe Farmers Co-op

Bad Axe

Elton Petroleum Coop.
Elton

Pigeon Co-op Oil Co.
Pigeon

Ruth Farmers Elevator
Sebewaing

Sebewaing Farmers Coop.

Sebewaing

INMAN
Alvin Leaunstein, R. #1
Williamston

IONIA
Lee Trible, R. #1

Sidney

JOSCO
Thomas Noble, R. # T

Tawas City

ISABELLA
Burkele O'Connor, R. G3

Mt. Pleasant

JACKSON
Wes Richardson, R. #3

Riviera Junction

KAHLAMAZOO
Olen Shearer, R. #2
Schoolcraft

KALKASKA
Fay Cross, R. #1
Kalkaska

KENT
Farmers Petroleum Cooperative Branch, Grand Rapids

LAPEER
Lapeer Co-op

Lapeer & Utica City

LENAWEE
Farmers Cooperative Branch

Traverse City

LIVINGSTON
Flintshire Farm Bureau Supply

Gregory

Hollway Coop.

Hollway

MANISTEE
John Milbarch, R. #1
Arcadia

MAXON
Farmers Petroleum Cooperative Branch

Scottville

MECOSTA
Neil Chappel, R. #2

Chamberlind

MIDLAND
Clara Snyder, R. #1

Wheeler

MISSAUKEE
Farmers Co-op

Palmworth & McBain

MONROE
Charles Hays, 7469 Stoner Rd.

Monroe

Wm. Krontz, 7230 Stoner Rd.

Monroe

MONEKLY
Lee Trible, R. #1

Sidney

Van Buren Marketing Assn.,
Van Buren

MUSKEGON
Robert L. Albers, 2763 adventure Rd.

Riviera

NEWAYGO
Robert Landheer, R. #3

Grant

OAKLAND
Highland Producers Assn.

Highland

OCEANA
Farm Bureau Services

Hart

OGENAW
Wm. Clemens, R. #2

Presque

OSCEOLA
Arlie Salisbury, R. #4

Marion

OTTAWA
Cooperville Co-op Elevator

Cooperville

Farmers Co-op Elevator

Metcalf, Emmett & Wisconsin

Zeeland Co-op Elevator

Zeeland

OSSOYOOS
Chen. Sanders, R. #2

Gaylord

SAUGANASH
Cashing Farmers Co-op

Cashing

Hinszick Farmers Co-op

Hinszick

Saginaw Co-op Farm Bureau Oil Co.

Saginaw

ST. CLAIR
Farmers Petroleum Cooperative Branch

Germantown Farmers Elevator

Germantown

R. #3

Richardson

H. E. Neil & Sons

Smith Creek

ST. JOSEPH
James Farmhill, 121 Middle St.

Three Rivers

SANILAC
Ronald Zupp, R. #1

Sandelby

Milton Mosley, R. #2

Sandusky

SHAWSAWE
Joseph Pratt, R. #2

Saginaw

TUSCOLA
Farmers Petroleum Cooperative Branch

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WASHTENAW
Yelland Farmers Oil Co.

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WAYNE
Cyril Bird, 17808 Huron River

Rambles
Farm Bureau’s Proposals for A Better Living

They State MFB Program for 1962

We present resolutions on State Affairs adopted at the 42nd annual meeting of the Michigan Farm Bureau at Michigan State University, East Lansing, November 8-9, 1961. The resolutions are Farm Bureau policy and program for 1962.

Resolutions were adopted also on national affairs and international affairs. They become recommendations to the American Farm Bureau resolutions committee and to voting delegates representing Michigan at the AFBF convention to be held at Chicago December 10 to 14.

The resolutions approved by the AFBF become Michigan Farm Bureau’s policy on national matters. We can expect that the text of the resolutions adopted by the AFBF will appear in your copy of the Nation’s Agriculture for January 1.

Another section of the MFB Resolutions deals with resolutions for the good of the Michigan Farm Bureau. The News plans to publish them after we have published the resolutions on State Affairs. Here are the resolutions adopted on State Affairs:

Preservation of Local Government

We believe that government at the local level should be kept intact. The central government should be reduced to the smallest unit which can do so efficiently.

Citizens know their own local problems and understand where the public money is not used with the best advantage. There is no such thing as manna from heaven which doesn’t cost something, and we must be sure that mental funds which come from a distant source to be regarded as income to our local communities.

We recommend that the local governments, including township and village governments, should have control over their local affairs. Their control should be protected and the state government should be prevented from assuming control over local government, except as it may be necessary to carry out state policy.

Tax Adjustment Study

Taxes on general property have been increased to alarming proportions in recent years. Much of this increase is due to the fact that the tax is being imposed on a larger percentage of the total property value. This is a serious problem and it is one which must be solved by the state government.

We recommend that the state legislature and the state universities conduct such a study. The study should be given to some important local officials, including the university officials, and the state officials, especially the state auditor, the state treasurer, the state commissioner of revenue, and the state commissioner of agriculture.

Several other sources of revenue, such as the sale of federal oil, will be considered, if it appears that it is desirable to do so. The state auditor is expected to bring such a consideration to the attention of the state legislature.

Appropriation of Funds

We believe that private schools are an integral part of our educational system.

MICHIGAN FARM NEWS

December 1, 1961

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Says MILKO VEIJOVENHOF, Alpena, Mich.

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Tax Limitations

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We believe that the purpose of legislative bodies is to represent the people and that the people have a right to select their representatives. The right to vote should be extended to all citizens who are qualified to vote under the state constitution.

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*Joint Annual Meeting Held Nov. 28*

"Most gratifying," a great many Farm Bureau members feel, is the record of victories and continuous growth in the service companies during the past year. This was brought home at the annual meeting of Farm Bureau Services, Inc. and the 18th annual meeting of Farmers' Cooperative Corporation, Inc., November 28.

In a full day and evening of sessions at Michigan State University, Lansing, the two important Farm Bureau service companies reported a marked upturn in business operations. Highlights of a busy, successful year included a total of more than 490,000 members.

"This past 12 months proved beyond doubt that Farm Bureau membership is a force to be reckoned with," stated the chairman of the Executive Board of Farm Bureau Services, Inc., William S. Wightman of Oakland County. "Record earnings and business operations demonstrate once more the importance and vitality of Farm Bureau membership for the rural community and the nation as a whole."

Among the increase noted by both Farm Bureau Service companies was the continuing trend for members to use the cooperative services. Sales of these services, which range from accounting and real estate to advertising and investment, reached a new record in 1962.

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Ship: Under this provision employers are required to give employees the right to belong to the union within a stated period of time. This provision is generally enforced at the beginning of the contract term. The union during an "escape period" is effectively given the status of union membership under the anti-union laws. The right to strike is permitted during the "escape period." The Clayton Act was not designed to address this issue.

Wage-price inflation adversely affects all individuals and groups. The higher cost levels have established the competitive position in world trade and lead to demands for import restrictions. Unions, like other groups, should be subject to anti-trust laws. Some reforms have been enacted by Congress; however, further anti-monopolistic measures may be necessary.

These include prohibition of (1) compulsory unionism, (2) industry-wide bargaining, (3) interference with the formation of independent unions or the utilization of their services in the efficient utilization of manpower, and (4) restrictions on sales territories or outlets.

A Look at Some History: The steel and fire of exploiting arguments and political battles over the right-to-work issue have continued in this country since the passage of the Taft-Hartley Law in 1947. This law permitted the establishment of the "closed shop" and affirmed the right of labor unions to bargain collectively. But the state's decision to allow the "closed shop" would be permitted in the state of Michigan. By 1950, all states had ruled out the closed shop under right-to-work laws.

Farm Bureau Cooperators of the Year

Representing the 11 districts of the "Farm Bureau Cooperative of Michigan" in 1967. Each district selects the "Farm Bureau Cooperative of Michigan" for 1967.

Farm Bureau Cooperative of the Year

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Standish, Saginaw County; DISTRICT 1-Mr. and Mrs. Richard W. Miller, Eaton county; DISTRICT 2-Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Miller, Isabella county; DISTRICT 3-Mr. and Mrs. Robert P. Miller, Hillsdale county; DISTRICT 4-Mr. and Mrs. Harold R. Miller, Branch county; DISTRICT 5-Mr. and Mrs. Harold A. Miller, Jackson county; DISTRICT 6-Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Miller, Lenawee county; DISTRICT 7-Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Miller, Cass county; DISTRICT 8-Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Miller, Oakland county; DISTRICT 9-Mr. and Mrs. Herman Miller, Ingham county; DISTRICT 10-Mr. and Mrs. Richard Miller, Livingston county; DISTRICT 11-Mr. and Mrs. David Miller, Osceola county.

Unions and a Minority

The membership of labor unions does not represent the majority of the American public. There are only about 16 million union members in the United States. However, the union members constitute only about 6% of the American work force.

The organized union is a monopoly that exerts economic leverage, social power, and political authority. These organizations have institutionalized influence through political campaigns. They have systematically organized to control the labor market. For example, in any state where the right-to-work issue has filled the American scene, labor leaders would surely stress this statement as an attack on labor unions as job providers. It is not. It is merely a protest against the monopolistic power of these unions to law them come to.

The government of our nation should consider the role of the federal government. The labor laws should not favor the advantage of any group by granting it special powers above the rest of the public. Politically, when an interest group takes the rights, the public, and the property of other people.

Restraint to Work in the U.S.

Right-to-work laws in less than 40% of our states are a very significant factor in a national scale. Right-to-work laws are a monopoly as the rest of the nation.

Labor leaders would surely concur this point. This article began with a statement that the right-to-work laws are a monopoly that seizes such power and will continue to demand that unions are acting for the workers' interest. The Farm Bureau resolution on the right-to-work issue includes: DISTRICT 1-Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Miller, Eaton county; DISTRICT 2-Mr. and Mrs. Robert P. Miller, Isabella county; DISTRICT 3-Mr. and Mrs. Richard W. Miller, Eaton county; DISTRICT 4-Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Miller, Isabella county.

Let's Define Some Terms

There are three criteria affecting this discussion which labor authorities define as "union security." One term is "closed shop," another is "union shop," and the third is "open shop.

1. "The Closed Shop:" In a closed shop, union employees are permitted to work only if they are members of the union. A closed shop is a group within a company that is closed to all non-union members. Workers in line, preventing deserving workers from entering the company.

2. "The Union Shop:" This is a system of union control in which the workers must join the union, and the union may be organized on a nationwide level.

3. "Maintenance of Membership:" Under this provision one group is required to continue to engage in performance of services even though the employees may be members of another group. This is with which this article began.

Closed Shop Promotes'Monopoly Center'

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