







# F.B. Young People --- County Activities

## Otsego Rural-Urban Meeting



FARM BUREAU YOUNG PEOPLE—of Otsego county, worked as waitresses to serve the Rural-Urban dinner held near Gaylord in early May. Pictured discussing last-minute arrangements are, (from left) Mary Gorney, Pat Jurek, Gertrude Novak, Niona Evans and Sue Jurek. All are of Gaylord address.



SUCCESS MEANS WORK—such as that done by the Women's Committee of the Otsego Farm Bureau in preparing and arranging attractive dishes for the crowd of approximately 160 persons that attended. In commenting on the program, Gaylord's Mayor, Lake, praised the county Farm Bureau for its "activities to enlarge understanding," and urged more such meetings be held.

## Proposed Farm Bureau Tour To Northwest U.S.A.

### Included in the Two-Week Itinerary:

- 3 days at World's Fair — Seattle, Washington
- Overnight stop in Salt Lake City to visit Mormon Temple
- Visit—Banff Park and Glacier - Banff, Canada
- Visit—Yellowstone National Park and its many sights
- Supper with Montana Farm Bureau Leaders
- Visit—The Black Hills, Mt. Rushmore, The Passion Play, Badlands
- Supper with South Dakota Farm Bureau Leaders
- Visit one or two outstanding ranches
- Visit—Minneapolis Grain Exchange
- Visit—Basic Research Lab. of Minnesota Mining and Mfg. Co., ("3-M") St. Paul, Minn.
- Home—Over Mackinaw Bridge

### DETAILS

TIME—2 Weeks during August  
 TRAVEL—Fly going West - Bus coming East  
 COST—\$325.00 for travel and room

(NOTE: The cost estimate includes travel both ways and room. Participants will pay-as-they-go for all other costs including meals, (except on airline) gate admission at Fair and Parks and other miscellaneous.) This is not a request for reservations but a method of determining interest among Farm Bureau members. Please fill in the coupon and return immediately.

Mail to: J. Delbert Wells  
 MICHIGAN FARM BUREAU  
 4000 N. Grand River  
 Lansing 4, Michigan

Please consider me interested in the Farm Bureau Tour to Seattle. If things work out there will be \_\_\_\_\_ from this family. (number)

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

## Van Buren Debt-Reduction Dinner

### Fund Raiser Well Attended

When it comes to debt reduction on their new building west of Paw Paw, members of the Van Buren County Farm Bureau have learned to couple fun with serious business.

Approximately 200 persons attended the recent debt-dinner, heard humorous philosophy from speaker Dr. Charles Anspach, enjoyed a good dinner served by Farm Bureau Young People and prepared by the Farm Bureau Women, and witnessed entertainment features that ranged from tap and ballet dancing to community singing.

General chairman for the annual event was Mrs. Arthur Drije, Paw Paw, with the dinner prepared by the Farm Bureau Women, Mrs. Arthur Dowd, committee chairman.

Mrs. Carol Kronewetter of Hartford, staged an unusual community-sing featuring her own considerable vocal talents, and with self-accompaniment on the accordion. Dancers were pupils of Mrs. Gwen Goddard of Lawton.

The ballet, performed in elephantine style by the "Rosebuds" climaxed the entertainment portion. Performed by a troupe of local men who prefer to remain anonymous for obvious reasons, the ballet brought down the house and nearly the stage as well.

Most important, the building debt was reduced by a satisfying sum, (close to \$2,000)—while those who attended were enriched by the glow of neighborly feelings that come from such accomplishment.

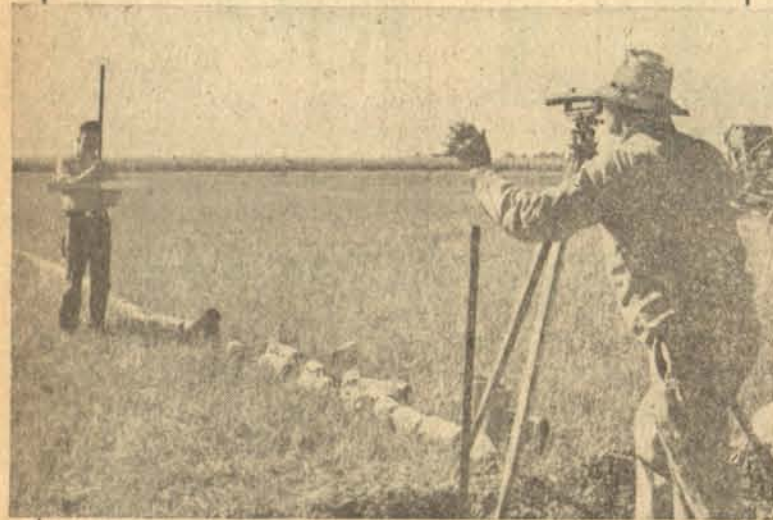


PIROUETTES—as graceful as Pavlova herself, performed by the "Rosebuds" in exquisite costumes of tulle and dyed underwear.



SPECIAL GUESTS—at the Van Buren County Farm Bureau debt-reduction dinner April 25, were (left to right) Carroll Newton, State Representative, Barry County; Edson Root, State Representative, Van Buren County; Edward Hutchinson, Con-Con Delegate and Convention Vice President; Donald Piper, president Van Buren Farm Bureau; Dr. Charles Anspach, President Emeritus Central Michigan University and Con-Con Delegate; Francis Finch, Con-Con Delegate, Van Buren County; Don Pears, State Representative, Berrien County; and Speaker of the House of Representatives; Walter Wightman, president, Michigan Farm Bureau and Fredric Hilbert, State Senator, Eighth Senatorial District.

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## Young People's Camp, June 11-15

All young members of Farm Bureau families are invited to make last-minute reservations for the 1962 Young People's Camp set for Clear Lake June 11-15. Clear Lake is near Dowling, Michigan. The general program begins with registration Monday, June 11, at 2:00 p.m. An evening get-acquainted session is planned.

The camp program is built around the theme "The Meaning of Three 'isms'—Capitalism, Socialism and Communism." Two days of camp program will be used to cover this area with the final day devoted to methods that can be used in getting ideas into action.

In outlining the program and resource people who will implement it, Lester Bollwahn, Coordinator of Young People's Activities for the Michigan Farm Bureau, said, "We are fortunate to have T. C. Peterson and Jerry Cordrey of the Program Development Division of the American Farm Bureau Federation to work with us. Together they will present challenging outlines dealing with our camp theme."

Campers are urged to bring musical instruments for the talent-find program.

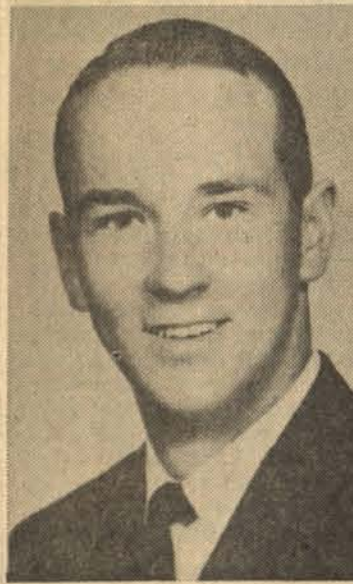
It is not too late to enroll. The printed coupon may be used. Total fee including lodging and meals is \$20. Campers must be over fourteen years of age.

## Teenagers Win Beet-Sugar Scholarships

Two MSU scholarships designed to encourage higher education in agriculture and home economics have been presented to two Michigan teenagers by the beet-sugar industry. They are Gary L. Benjamin of R.R. 3, Williamston, and Judith L. Stanton, of Perry.

Both winners are outstanding scholastically, (both are Salutatorians in their local high schools this year)—each are active in the work of Future Farmers or its feminine counterpart, the Future Homemakers of America.

Benjamin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Benjamin, Farm Bureau member in Ingham



GARY BENJAMIN

county, plans a career in agriculture business management.

Miss Stanton will major in home economics at Michigan State and plans a teaching career.

Both Benjamin and Miss Stanton were given extremely high ratings among the many applicants for scholarship awards. Unlike most, the beet-sugar scholarships are spread out over the freshman, sophomore and junior years at school.



JUDITH STANTON

June 5-6-7

## Camp to Begin

Registration for the Northwest Michigan Farm Bureau Women's Camp begins at Gilbert Lodge, Twin Lakes, near Traverse City, June 5, at 9:00 a.m. The camp is open to Farm Bureau Women of that area. The camp program is built around the theme "Our Challenge Today."

Guests are asked to bring their own pillows, sheets, blankets, towels and wash cloths. Mrs. John Asher, R. 5, Box 196, Traverse City, is in charge of registrations.

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Parent: \_\_\_\_\_ (or Guardian)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

## Van Buren Group Meets

On Hospitality Day of Michigan Week, the "Michigan First" community group of Van Buren County sponsored a dinner-meeting for farm and city people at the Farm Bureau building in Paw Paw. The program, introduced by District Director Max Hood, featured 4-H "Share-the-fun" talent winners and members of Farm Bureau families.

A talk by Peter J. Sikkema, Manager of the Egg-Marketing Division of Farm Bureau Services was well received by the 80 persons present.

Sikkema pointed out problems of farmers in financing their operations and control of their business due to greater intervention by government.



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Districts Observe

Soil Stewardship Week



SOIL STEWARDSHIP WEEK—May 27 - June 3, is observed throughout Michigan by the state's 80 Soil Conservation Districts, now sponsoring many events to draw attention to personal responsibilities tied to wise use of land and water resources. Pictured in the office of Governor Swinson as he signs the official Stewardship Week proclamation are: Mrs. John Harmon, President of the Ladies Auxiliary, and R. W. Peterson, President of the Michigan Association of Soil Conservation Districts.

M.A.C.M.A. Asparagus Division Growth Continues

The newly organized Asparagus Division of MACMA has grown to 138 members, according to Harry A. Foster, acting secretary of the Asparagus Marketing Committee. Member-growers are currently serviced by a weekly newsletter containing current market news and production information.

Farmowners' Policy Popular With Farmers

Farm Bureau Mutual's Farmowners policy, (the first farm package policy in Michigan) has shown tremendous popularity with Michigan farmers since its introduction in January of 1961.

Lightning Chief Farm Fire Cause Causes 400 Deaths Yearly in U.S.A.

During the past five years, Michigan farm buildings valued at more than three million dollars have gone up in smoke after being struck by lightning. Lightning is now the number-one cause of fire loss on Michigan farms.

Enraged Farmer Offers Land to J.F.K.

"Complete With Taxes And Mortgages" "Since the government is determined to run our farm, it should own it and pay the taxes and mortgages!"

Lightning Arrester Is Offered By F.B. Mutual

A General Electric "Lightning Arrester" is offered to policyholders of Farm Bureau Mutual, on a share-the-cost basis. The Arrester costs \$6. per unit with the money refunded by Farm Bureau Mutual after installation, and upon receipt of a signed, dated bill by the installing electrician.

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In a letter to President Kennedy, Smith wrote: "If and when your farm legislation calling for strict government control of farm production is passed by Congress in anything like its presented form, we will promptly send you a duly recorded quit-claim deed to our 80-acre farm, located on R. R. 2, Saranac, Michigan.

"Since the government is determined to run our farm, it is only reasonable that you should own it and pay the taxes and mortgages."

Christian Rural Overseas Program



A CARLOAD OF 60,000 POUNDS—of Michigan CROP beans—part whole and part splits—were loaded and shipped from the Michigan Bean Company siding in Saginaw on April 23.

Shown (left to right) are: The Rev. J. F. Cook, Gratiot County CROP Chairman; W. F. Bolster, Michigan Bean Company; Russell M. Hartzler, Michigan CROP Director; Eugene E. Buerge and Stanley Wesenberg, Gratiot County; and C. H. Roth, Michigan Bean Company.

Farm Bureau Dairy Advisory Committee



ONE OF SIX IMPORTANT COMMITTEES— that advise the Michigan Farm Bureau on commodity matters, is the 15-member Dairy Advisory Committee. These producers apply on-the-farm experience to problems of dairymen in several sessions yearly.

Farm Bureau Adjusters Move In Wake of Storm

Severe winds and heavy rain struck many communities of the state Monday, April 30. Wind damage to Farm Bureau insured property in several counties was extensive.

Forester Promoted Nygren to Pennsylvania

The transfer and promotion of Harold C. Nygren, Supervisor of the Hiawatha National Forest, Escanaba, Michigan, was announced by M. M. Nelson, Regional Forester of the North Central Region in Milwaukee, Wis.

Leaders Discuss Problems

"United Effort on Common Problems" was the theme of a recent program undertaken jointly by the Alpena County Farm Bureau and local representatives of the Chamber of Commerce, Medical Association and National Association of Manufacturers.

Joint Alpena Effort

labor monopoly. After the individual presentations, questions were asked the panel, with Stan Godfrey of the Alpena Chamber of Commerce, moderating.

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Congressional proposals of mutual interest were discussed by a resource panel dealing with problems facing agriculture, business and professional people.

SS Aquarama To Sail

Farm Bureau members and their friends are reminded of the full-day cruise by ocean liner planned by Farm Bureau Women for June 29.

The huge boat is scheduled to leave Detroit from the dock at the foot of West Grand Blvd. at 9:30 a.m. It will dock that evening at 8:15 p.m. The trip will be from Detroit up the St. Clair River to Port Huron and Sarnia, and back to Detroit.

The fare is low,—only \$8.50 for adults and \$4.45 for children under 12. While there are many places to buy food on board ship, people are welcome to pack picnic lunches.

Tickets are now on sale, and available in each county through county Farm Bureau offices and members of Farm Bureau Women's Committees.

C.R.O.P. Expands Work In Michigan

Michigan CROP, — Christian Rural Overseas Program, has had recent successes "beyond my fondest hopes," according to Russell M. Hartzler, state director. Dan E. Reed, Legislative Counsel for Michigan Farm Bureau, serves as chairman of the Michigan CROP Board of Managers.

Because of support and interest from farmers and others, the program of direct overseas aid has been expanding to a point where the Michigan CROP program is outstanding in the nation. Contributions in commodities or cash currently come from farm and non-farm sources on an approximate 50-50 basis.

Dairy farmers have shown great interest in the CROP milk program and farmers in the bean-producing areas have responded with an overwhelming 60,000 pounds of dry beans recently shipped out of Michigan, (see nearby picture).

In February, the third carload of crab-apple jelly was shipped by Michigan CROP,—250 cases to Greece, 100 cases to Italy, 50 cases to Grenada, 100 cases to Hong Kong and 150 cases to Jordan.

About 2/3 of the cost of the jelly was paid from 1961 Berrien County contributions and the balance from state-wide contributions.

Copies of letters received in reply to the shipment show how warmly it has been received.

From Italy — "... Church institutions benefited from this shipment of jelly with seventy-five per cent of the shipment going to children's homes, church schools, old people's homes, and hospitals. The remaining twenty-five per cent was distributed to large needy families regardless of creed."

From Greece (before shipment arrived)—"We are greatly pleased... with the delightful news of a forthcoming gift of jelly... Jelly, syrups and the like are particularly appreciated gifts because they constitute in many cases practically a full meal for children in villages where we run school lunches with very often only bread and milk..."

Shortly, a carload of milk powder will be shipped to similar food-shortage areas.

"We are both humbled and inspired as we recognize that we live in a country of 'plaguing abundance,' while most of mankind lives in deep poverty. We are most grateful for your help as we seek to minister to the needs of a few of our less fortunate fellow men," Hartzler reports.

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