The Flag Goes By!

Hats off! Along the street there comes A blare of bugles, a ruffle of drums A flash of color beneath the sky; Hats off! The flag goes by!

How many times in the past months have you watched our National flag being carried down the streets of America in a way which has shown complete disrespect for the flag, state, country, and self? A few days ago, before a large television audience, the young athletes wearing the Community College Student's shiny blue helmets. The announcer said, "We will now have the National Anthem and the raising of the flag." As the TV screen scanned the crowd, adults and youth alike read their game programs, stood with hands in lap, and glistened. The young helmeted baseball fans did not remove their hats and almost the only ones standing at proper attention, were the ones on the field who stood, helmet across their hearts, facing the flag.

Blue and crimson and white it shines, Over the steel-tipped, ordered lines. Hats off! The colors before us By; but more than the flag is passing by:

Present protest marchers have turned our flag upside down... a symbol of the nation's honor. Does it mean that all men shall be alike, that they are equal in rights? The answer is as different in other respects where individuals differ? Does it mean that all men shall be leveled arbitrarily to a common plane? Does it mean that those who revere the flag must stand quietly in the face of injustice? Shall we be as deserving as all others? Surely it does not and cannot mean any of these things.

It would be equality, yes: an equality whereby all men are equal before the laws of America have been set up to protect every individual's rights. Equality under the law has become under-

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There must be equality, yes: an equality common to everyone in that society and made

The U.S. flag has undergone several physical changes. From the time Mary Pickersgill was given the assignment to make a flag to fly over Fort McHenry to today's symbol of our greatness.

Days of plenty and years of peace; March of a strong land's swift increase; Equal justice, right and law, Stately honor and

By the dawn's early light, "What so proudly we hail at the

At the completion of a mission, they see Old Glory waving in the breeze.

The British fleet sailed away through the gun

The heavy blasts of bombs, the sound of muskets on shore and

The explosions from the ships, the American defenses stood

The American fleet called away through the gun smoke and fire, Key saw the Star Spangled Banner waving.

He pulled scribbled notes from his pocket and copied the words

What echoes in the heart of every American soldier, sailor and airmen, when after completion of minor campaigns, measures we are

A welcome home... a symbol of freedom. Long may it wave!

The crux of freedom which we celebrate on July

And save the State; Weary marches and sinking ships; Cheers of

Lusty weavers and sons of the soil who tackled the clouds of Britain.

Surly three-masted ships with twenty guns and forty

Chased off by London's warships of thirty-two guns.

The British fleet sailed a'way and through the gun

This voluntarism to support the candidates

It is hard work that takes us away from the hard work of the men on the land did much to

This is an orderly and necessary process to uphold

How much are we doing to support the candidates

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Freedom in a representative form of government,

Freedom is an idea rooted in the American tradition, the conviction that each individual can have the responsibility for freedom in a representative form of government.

In July of nineteen seventy, after nearly two centuries of representative government, the freedom of our forefathers prevails with a government, as Mr. Lincoln said, "Of the people, by the people and for the people, we continue to work to uphold the concept of that freedom.

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tural or horticultural use for three calendar years. The land would have to apply to as
essing authorities for the deferred tax assessment problem resulting from an assessment being based upon the provisions in the law.

Population experts point out that we are on a collision course that can result in general, hunger and starvation for the country. Dr. Borgstrom, world-know
ed scientist from MU, reported that year two thousand, deaths from malnutrition is in store for two-thirds of the earth's children under 14. He points out that most usable acreage is al
ready under plow and grazing or being used for industrial plants. Even the next ten years population increase. Other states that have agricultural land are experiencing a case of disappearing at the rate of a million acres per year. This cannot be replaced. No wonder.
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MARKETING AND COMMODITIES

On Farm Tour

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FOR SALE
The sale of MICHIGAN TART CHERRIES is being promoted by many of our County Farm Bureau Women's Committees. Plans have been made to take orders for Michigan red tart cherries in 30-lb. containers (pitted and sweetened), partially frozen, ready to be repackaged for the home freezer.

The sale of Michigan cherries is being organized in many counties where cherries are not produced. Farm Bureau members may contact their Farm Bureau office for further information and to place orders for these high quality cherries.

Orders should be placed immediately for delivery at harvest.

MARKETING AND COMMODITIES

CASS — Cass Co-op (Cassopolis); Farm Bureau Services (Marcellus)
CHARLEVOIX — Charlevoix Co-op;
CLINTON — Farmers Co-op Elev. (Fowler); St. Johns Co-op;
EATON — Eaton Farm Bureau Co-op (Charlotte); Grand Ledge Produce Co;
GRAND TRAVERSE — Farm Bureau Services (Traverse City)
GRETATIOT — Breckenridge Wheeler Co-op
HILLSDALE — Farm Bureau Services (Hillsdale)
HURON — Elkton Co-op Farm Produce Co.; Farmers Co-op Grain Co. (Kinde); Co-op Elev. (Pigeon); Ruth Farmers Co-op Elev.; Schawang Farm.
INGLIS — Leslie Co-op, Producers Co-op Elev. (Williams to)
IONIA — Lake Odessa Co-op;
PONTIAC — Farm Bureau Services (Mt. Pleasant)
KALAMAZOO — Farm Bureau Services (Kalamazoo), Farm Bureau Services (Scio)
KENT — Caledonia Farmers Elev.; Kent City Farm Bureau Elev.
LAPEER — Lapeer Co-ops in Imlay City and Lapeer.
LENAWEE — Blissfield Co-op
LIVINGSTON — Fowlerville Co-op Elev. (East); Howell Co-op Co.
MACOMB — New Haven Elev.
MASON — Farm Bureau Services (Scottville)
MECOSTA — Farm Bureau Services (Evart), Farm Bureau Services (East Jordan)
MISSAUKEE — Faboleon Co-op
MORROW — Ida Farmers Co-op Co.; Michigan Elev. Exchange Terminal (Ottawa Lake)
MONTICELLO — Farm Bureau Services (Greenville)
MUSKEGON — Revena Co-op Co.
NEWAYGO — Frenson Co-op Co.
OAKLAND — Highland Producers Assn.; Oxford Co-op Co.
OCEANA — West Branch Farm Bureau Co-op Co.
OCEANA — Farm Bureau Services (Hart)
OTTAWA — Cooperville Co-op Elev.; Holland Co-op Elev. Co.; Farmers Co-op Elev.; Co-op Elev. (Hodgenville); Zee- land Farmers Co-op.
SAGINAW — Chesaning Farmers Co-op; Hemlock Farmers Co-op; Michigan Elev. Exchange Terminal (Saginaw)
ST. CLAIR — Farmers Elev. Co. (Richmond); Farm Bureau Services, Yale and Jococo.

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SANILAC — Marlette Farmers Co-op Elev.; Farmers Co-op Elev. ; Farm Bureau Services (Sandusky); Snavely Coop Elev. Co.
TUSCOLA — Caro Farmers Co-op Elev. (Akron); Caro Farmers Co-op Elev. (Caro)
WASHTENAW — Saline Merch. Co.; Ypsilanti Farm Bureau Assn.'s
WE'RE ALL INVOLVED . . .

Busy, busy, busy, seems to be the order of every month around our house as it is around yours too. Crops are planted, first cutting hay is in the barn and the strawberries are in the freezer and jam. Carolin and Mike have been home, Mike is now stationed in Panama and Carolin is waiting for her travel authorization to come so she can join him. Donald graduated from Michigan Technological University and received his commission in the United States Air Force, he is now in Laredo, Texas, training to be a pilot. We traveled from Eaton Rapids to Houghton for Don's graduation and enjoyed once again the beauty of our Great Lake's State. Our family had a couple of weeks when we were all together, the first time in about 3 years.

As we traveled our highways, some were clean and some were littered and this makes me do some thinking. A lot of people ask "what can I do about this pollution problem?" I overheard the other day a practical suggestion that I think helps that we as homemakers can do in our everyday routines. Thought I'd like to pass a few of them on to you for your consideration.

1. Don't use colored tissues and paper towels. The paper dissolves properly in water, but the dye lingers on.
2. If you accumulate coat hangers, don't junk them; return them to the cleaner.
3. Don't junk aluminum cans. Return them to Reynolds Aluminum for a half-cent apiece or $300 a ton.
4. Stop littering. Politely remind a litterer "Excuse me, I think you dropped something."
5. There's only so much water. Don't leave it running.
6. Measure detergents carefully.
7. Since the prime offender in detergent pollution is not suds but phosphates, find out how much phosphate is in the detergent you're buying. Remember soap? If you have soft water or a water softener, why not use soap instead of detergents.

If we all start at home to wage a one man campaign against litter, the habit might catch on and grow.

Mrs. Jerold (Maxine) Topfliff

Division of Payroll" Plan Can Save You Money

Despite rising inflationary pressures, especially in the area of medical care, Farm Bureau Insurance Group has become the first Michigan insurance firm to lower Agricultural Workmen's Compensation rates based on diversified farm operations through a new division of payroll rating. Savings will be reflected in next year's premium audits.

Until now, diversified farm operation payrolls were subject to the highest applicable rate. Type of crops planted, separate activities or locations within one farming operation were not reflected in Workmen's Compensation insurance rates.

Like most farm efficiency efforts, the new division of payroll plan will require more paper work. But the time spent will mean dollars saved. Keeping separate payroll records is the money-saving key.

Separate payrolls should be organized by type of crop, separate activities and separate locations. Initiating this bookkeeping system now, will allow Michigan farmers to enjoy lower rates next year.

Farm Bureau Insurance Group's battle against the high cost of Agricultural Workmen's Compensation coverage began at the birth of the compulsory program . . . July 1, 1967. During the three-year span, Farm Bureau Insurance Group has cut costs through special low minimum premium programs. These three programs were fitted to the needs of large, medium and smaller operations. They were also instrumental in lowering overall rates for agricultural employers.

How much can be saved by the low, division of payroll plan? Here's an example.

Farmer X's Workmen's Compensation policy provides unlimited medical benefits for all employees. His payroll is still six ways:

1. Asparagus . $ 3,600
2. Strawberries . 12,000
3. Cherries . 27,000
4. Tomatoes . 7,500
5. Peaches . 32,000
6. Grapes . 9,500

Total Payroll $91,900

Under standard Workmen's Compensation rules, the entire payroll would be subject to the highest applicable rate (Orchards), $319 per $100 of payroll. The annual insurance premium totals almost $3,650.00.

With separate payroll records maintained by crop, the new division of payroll plan would class asparagus, strawberries, tomatoes and grapes as Farms-Market or Truck. The rate per $100 of payroll . . . $1.72. Only cherries and peaches would be classed as Orchards. The yearly savings in Workmen's Compensation premiums would exceed $740.

Seminars for Writers

Three eighth-grade students have earned top statewide honors for their entries in the third annual Freedoms Foundation Essay Contest sponsored by Farm Bureau Insurance Group. The competition garnered 3,500 essays from 204 Michigan schools on the topic: "What I Can Do For My Country."

Tim Endres, a student at Holland Christian Junior High, earned first place — a fully paid-four-day trip to Washington, D. C. with his parents and teachers and an engraved presidential desk flag. His school will be awarded a large standing flag.

Jim Endres, Otsego Middle School, second place winner, will receive an engraved presidential desk flag for himself and one for his school.

Executive desk flags will be presented to third place winner Cheryl Milligan and her school, Beecher Junior High.

The first place essay:

WHAT I CAN DO FOR MY COUNTRY

I could fight a war, fly an airplane, or be a general, but now I can be loyal.

I could be a Congress- man, pass new laws, or be a governor, but now I can be concerned.

I could be a great surgeon, do heart transplants, or discover a new drug, but now I can fight heroin.

I could be a professor, teach at a university, or do scientific research, but now I can stay in school.

I could be an elder in my church, be an evangelist and preach the Gospel, but now I can pray for my country.

Several nationally-known speakers will make return engagements to Farm Bureau's Citizenship Seminar July 20-24. The Seminar will be held this year (as it was in 1969) on the campus of Central Michigan University. More than 175 junior and senior high school students are expected to attend, according to Dave Cook, Seminar Chairman.

Dr. Clifton L. Gann, Jr., president of Harding College, Searcy, Arkansas, will appear on the first day's program, lecturing on "Understanding and Preserving Our Heritage." "The Moral Foundations of Freedom" and "Pyramids of Freedom." Through these addresses, Dr. Gann aims to promote a better understanding of the American economic, political and social systems.

Lecturer, author and global air traveler Dr. John Farvay is known as "one of America's most dynamic interpreters of the world scene and one of the busiest speakers on the American platform today. Dr. Farvay is associated with many leading organizations which are willing to create a more active awareness of the forces at play in the world of today. He re-iterates the "Four Dreams of Man," "Countdown For Tomorrow" and "Let's Join the Human Race" in his full day schedule at the Seminar.

Presidential desk flags for seminar speakers:

Ganus
Furbay
Moore
Mauch
Ewing

A newcomer to the Michigan Farm Bureau Seminar scene is Dr. John N. Moore, Professor of Natural Science at Michigan State University. Dr. Moore is a student of the philosophy of science and modern-day consequences resulting from use of scientific methodology in the fields of arts and letters, social science and humanities.

Dr. Arthur Mauch, professor of agricultural economics at Michigan State University, is also making his first appearance at the Seminar. Prof. Mauch is an extension project leader in public policy and is responsible for a weekly radio program (Lansing based) and a column that appears regularly in a Michigan farm magazine. Dr. Mauch will elaborate on the relationship between the economic and political systems during his discussion periods.

Michigan Farm Bureau's manager of the Program Development Division, Larry R. Ewing, will be responsible for the "Political" phase of the Seminar. Mr. Ewing will start his program with "Let's Be Politicians," will conduct the political campaigns, primary and general elections.

Discussion periods will follow each presentation.

1970 Heritage Tour

Hawaiian Tour

Departing - August 13

Visiting 4 Islands—Oahu—Kauai—Maui and Hawaii

Alaska Cruise/ Tour

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Notes From All Over . . .

A bill to give the Department of Health, Education and Welfare a veto over use of any pesticide was introduced recently by Senator Philip Hart (D-Michigan). The bill (S-3866) would require the Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare to review all pesticide labels prior to registration. In the past, HEW has had an advisory role to the Department of Agriculture in pesticide regulation. Senator Hart is Chairman of the subcommittee which held hearings in Washington beginning May 26.

A 4-H Meritorious Service Award was presented to the Oceana County Farm Bureau at the 22nd annual 4-H Leaders banquet. Larry Sobel, County Extension Director presented the award to Francis Hawley, county Farm Bureau president. The award was presented for the Oceana County Farm Bureau’s sponsorship of the annual 4-H leaders banquet, their continued support of extension and agricultural research for Oceana farmers and the leadership they are providing to the agricultural industry. The banquet was put on by the Oceana County Farm Bureau Women, the Teen Teens served the meal and the New Era Farm Bureau group were hosts for the evening.

Michigan Farm Bureau was happy to hear from August Scholle, president of the state AFL-CIO. Mr. Scholle wrote, “Thanks for your comments relative to the article I wrote for the Michigan AFL-CIO News on cleaning up our water. I believe that we have, without a doubt, found a problem which transcends every other interest and which we can certainly work together to find a solution to.”

In the June Farm News, the announcement of Norwood (Bill) Eastman’s new appointment was made. His correct title was not made clear. Bill is AFBFs new Director of Training Programs. He works out of the Federation’s general office in Chicago. Please accept our apologies, Bill.

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TIME IS AN ISSUE . . .

Several Congressmen (none from Michigan) have introduced amendments to the Federal Uniform Time Act of 1968, which would provide that any areas using daylight saving time would move their clocks ahead on Memorial Day and set them back to standard time on Labor Day of each year. Farm Bureau supports the purposes of this legislation.

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Farm Bureau Supports Meat Inspection Acts

Supported by Farm Bureau, a bill to amend the Federal Meat Inspection Act has been introduced by Senator Charles Mathias (R-Maryland). The bill would clarify Michigan's situation in regard to meat inspection. The amendment provides that once a state meat inspection program has been approved by USDA to be equal to the federal meat inspection, the meat would be eligible to move in on interstate commerce as well as within the state.

Farm Bureau also supports S. 3592, by Senator Carl Curtis (R-Nebraska), to amend the same Act to permit custom slaughtering to be done for farmers in the same establishment where meat is cut and sold at retail. A proposed amendment to the Act, by Senator B. Everett Jordan (D-North Carolina), would seriously hamper the meat inspection program by permitting the sale of uninspected meat if the total annual retail sales did not exceed $2,000. Farm Bureau believes consumers should be assured that all meat offered for sale has been inspected.
The Board of Directors of the American Farm Bureau Federation announced its "vigorous opposition" to the wheat, feed grain, and cotton provisions of the proposed "Agricultural Act of 1970," which currently is being drafted by the Agriculture Committee of the U.S. House of Representatives. Test of the AFBF Board statement follows:

"Current Farm Bureau policies, as adopted by the official voting delegates of the member State Farm Bureaus at the annual meeting of the American Farm Bureau Federation last December, require our vigorous opposition to the so-called 'Agricultural Act of 1970.'

The wheat, feed grain, and cotton provisions of this legislation, in all of the forms thus far proposed during sessions of the House Agriculture Committee, are a camouflaged extension of the discredited, ineffective, and expensive Food and Agriculture Act of 1965.

"This is so because:

(1) The bill now before the House Agriculture Committee would depress market prices for wheat, feed grains, and cotton.

(2) It would continue the current costly, ineffective, annual land diversion programs (to be known in the future as 'set-asides'). Instead of being expanded, the current authorization for long-term crop land adjustment programs would be reduced by 90 percent.

(3) It would continue the Commodity Credit Corporation's authority to dump government-owned stocks of agricultural commodities on the market whenever market prices rise slightly above the government loan rate. This authority is now being used to depress the market price of soybeans.

(4) It is expected to include a limitation on payments to individual producers. We oppose such limitations as a matter of principle.

(5) It contains no programs designed to assist the hundreds of thousands of low-production, low-income farmers who are in need of adjustment assistance.

While the wheat, feed grain, cotton, and payment limitations sections of the bill are in conflict with our recommendations, Farm Bureau supports the provisions of the House Agriculture Committee bill for dairy, wool, and peanut programs and extension of the 'Food for Peace' program.

"Because we recognize that the food stamp program enjoys widespread support, we do not oppose Congressional authorization of a reasonable expansion of the food stamp program."

"We urge Congress to enact the dairy, wool, peanut, and Food for Peace sections of the House Committee's bill; an extension of the food stamp program and our 'Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1969, which provides desirable government farm programs for wheat, feed grains and cotton.

The Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1969 — sponsored by 20 Senators and 46 Representatives of both parties — provides for:

(1) A permanent program of market-related price support loans for wheat, cotton, feed grains and soybeans;

(2) A ban on sales of government commodity stocks at less than 150 percent of the loan rate, plus carrying charges. This provision, by preventing government dumping, would give the market system a chance to perform its normal function free from government price manipulation.

(3) A five-year phase-out of the potential commodity acreages, marketing quotas, procuring taxes, and direct payments for wheat, feed grains and cotton.

(4) A stepped-up, long-range land retirement program to retire at least two million acres a year for five years or a minimum of fifty million acres.

(5) A special transitional retraining program to assist farmers who wish to discontinue uneconomical operations.

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Three farm leaders were named "for outstanding service to Michigan as a Michigan Migrantman who at every opportunity champions our State, its heritage, its hospitality, its dynamic present and its future." Each of the three received Citations of Honor, bearing the Great Seal of the State of Michigan.

Elton R. Smith, of Caledonia, president of Michigan Farm Bureau, is a dairymen with a registered Guernsey herd. He is also president of Farm Bureau Services, Inc., Michigan Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Association, and Michigan Agricultural Services Association, Farm Bureau affiliates. He serves as a member of the American Farm Bureau Federation Board of Directors.

Glenn Lake, of North Branch, is a dairymen and is president of Michigan Milk Producers Association and National Milk Producers Federation. He also heads regional dairymen's cooperative marketing organizations.

Duane Baldwin, a vegetable and beef producer in the Stockbridge area, has served as president of the Michigan Agricultural Conference, which has been active in Michigan Partners of the Alliance, sponsoring cooperation with British Honduras and presently serves on the Board of Directors of Michigan Agricultural Services Association (MASA), an affiliate of Michigan Farm Bureau.

The citations were signed by James M. Smith, President of the Greater Michigan Foundation, Frank Koval, Chairman of Michigan Migrantmen, and James M. Hare, Secretary of State.
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"Give me land, lots of land... but don't fence me in," so goes the famous song of men yearning for open country and freedom. Richard R. Babcock writes, "Zoning is for orderly progress. Zoning is a legal tool, a plan put to work to help fit community grow and maintain its connotation. He said, that zoning could be sold as two thirds of the cost, it was explained. Through zoning, it was explained, the project could be related to each other to form a pattern for future development. If without adequate codes and enforcement, it is warned. Zoning isn't to be confused with the property owner, as on any farm. The future is bright if residents can maintain the right to shape their destiny. The majority of counties in the Upper Peninsula have zoning.

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Discussion Group Topic Summary

FARM LIABILITY

Answers to the Discussion Group Topic inquired the farm liability was a well-discussed subject, with 651 groups replying. All farmers are affected by farm liability laws. In question, the "What areas of farm liability, if any, have discussion group members been troubled with on the farm?" 101 groups reported their biggest problem was snowmobile, riding, motorcycles, etc. 93 groups said trespassing and straying of animals; 58 groups said personal injuries to laborers; 50 groups said trespassers; 32 groups said injuries to people by animals; 25 groups said injuries to children; 23 groups said fences and 12 groups stated animals hit by cars had been a problem.

FARM BUREAU SERVICES, INC

Adoption of a new, modern identification symbol for Farm Bureau Services, Inc., which serves Michigan farm supply and merchandising needs, has been announced by Luther T. Cathrie, Executive Vice President and General Manager.

"We have been searching for some time for a new identifying signature to express the expanding services of our organization," Cathrie said. "While our old logo-type was well-regarded, it did not adequately reflect our modern approach to meeting the complex marketing requirements of today's agri-businessmen."
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