Keynote Speaker

Butz to Attend Annual Meeting

Telling the Story

Michigan Farm Bureau President Elton Smith was interviewed by WXYZ-TV newswoman Doris Biscoe at the Detroit area "Backgrounder" October 3. The interview was carried on the Detroit station's "11 O'Clock News" that night.

Boycotts, the size of this year's crop, the "Russian wheat deal" and the future of farming were Fielding newsmen's questions, agricultural, the "Russian wheat deal" agriculture.

The combination dinner, information session, press conference was held to tell the farmers side of current issues related to agriculture.

Fielding newsmen's questions, along with President Smith, were Jim Sayre, MFB Director-at-Large, Henry Brodacki, Macomb County President, Dennis Engelbert, Washtenaw County President and Richard Shariat, Wayne County Vice President.

Members of the news media present were invited by the individual county Farm Bureaus, and represented several weekly newspapers, newsmen, a radio station, a chain of weeklies from the suburban Detroit area and WXYZ-TV, the Detroit ABC affiliate.

In September a similar "backgrounder" was held in Gaylord bringing together Farm Bureau leaders and news media from the north central part of the lower peninsula.

Workmen's Comp. Trouble?

The Michigan Court of Appeals has rendered a decision known as "Jeliff vs. American Advertising Distributors".

The Appeals Court decision, if allowed to become law, will increase the minimum workmen's compensation benefit from $37.00 per week for a single person who has no dependents, as provided for in the workmen's compensation law, to $58.00 per week with corresponding increases for all other beneficiaries and dependents. Workmen's compensation premium rates will be raised to cover the additional cost of the claims.

For thousands of part-time agricultural employees this would mean workmen's compensation benefits in excess of their normal earnings.

For example: If you hire a person to help milk for a couple of hours a day and he should slip, fall, and hurt his back, he would be entitled to $63.00 per week until he said he did not hurt. The same would be true if you hired someone to pick apples, harvest vegetables or any other short-time job.

The same situation would prevail for full time employees except that they would probably be earning more than $60.00 per week. They would be entitled to 66% or their average weekly wage but not less than $63.00 per week.

Workmen's compensation premiums will have to be raised to cover the cost. Farmers may respond by not hiring part-time employees, and these workers may have to apply for some type of welfare assistance.

If a disabled worker's benefits are too high, relative to what he might earn, he may see no reason to return to work. In the case of thousands of part-time farm employees the minimum workmen's compensation benefits provided by the court decision could be several times the normal earnings of the worker.

This court decision which may become law any day now, probably will become law not later than the first of the year, 1975.

The legislature is to do anything to correct the situation, the action must come this fall. The legislature is not inclined to act due to the election but employers should insist that something be done before January 1, 1975, after that date it may be too late to correct the situation.

Contact your state representative and Senator and ask them to recognize the problem and act this fall.

Tentative Program

1974 Annual Meetings

Tuesday - December 10
8:30 - 9:45 Registration for F.B.S. - F.P.C. Annuals
10:00 - 11:20 F.P.C. Annual
11:30 - 1:30 Luncheon (Compliments of F.P.C. and F.B.S.)
1:30 - 3:00 F.B.S. Annual
3:00 - 5:00 Registration - Michigan Farm Bureau Annual
3:00 - 10:00 Product Show - Complimentary Dinner - Live Entertainment

Wednesday - December 11
8:30 - 9:00 Registration - Michigan Farm Bureau Annual
9:00 - 11:45 Women's Meeting
9:00 - 10:00 Commodity Meetings
9:00 - 10:00 Discussion Meet Semi-Finals
9:00 - 11:45 Queens Judging
11:45 - 3:00 Kick Off Luncheon and Official Opening of M.F.B. Annual
3:00 - 6:00 Product Show
6:00 - 8:30 Presidents Banquet
9:00 - 1:00 Young Farmers Banquet
9:00 - 1:00 Membership Campaign Managers Banquet
9:00 - 1:00 Farm Bureau Dance

Thursday - December 12
7:00 - 8:30 Awards Breakfast
8:00 - 10:00 Reports and Resolutions
9:00 - 11:30 Commodity Meetings
9:00 - 12:30 Natural Resources Meeting
10:00 - 12:30 Resolutions
4:00 - 5:30 Census - Districts II, IV, VI, VIII, and X
6:30 - 8:30 Annual Banquet
8:30 - Adjournment Michigan Farm Bureau Resolutions

Friday - December 13
8:30 - 9:30 Secretary - Speaker of Agriculture, Earl Butz
9:30 - 10:30 Distinguished Service Awards
Program Awards
I don't need to tell you that farmers are independent individuals. New independence is independent of authority and they've fought to maintain it since the "shot heard around the world" was fired nearly 200 years ago. The long struggle for independence goes on . . . for the freedom to make our own farm management decisions, to be free to market our produce to whom and at what price. There has never been a time in history when the need to do this is more urgent than now. Never has it been so important to you, as farmers, to fulfill your citizenship responsibilities with forethought and knowledge.

When you enter the voting booth on November 3, I suggest that you agree to know who your neighbors are and to cast your vote for them, regardless of their party connection.

There were elected officials from both sides of the political fence who helped us during their terms of office, which will expire at the end of the year. They were able to help us because of their farm background, their willingness to listen to those usually involved in our vital industry, or their recognition that the health of agriculture directly affects the health of the nation.

I think this year, especially, legislators who supported agriculture are particularly deserving of our respect and our vote. We are living in an era of consumerism—and in the midst of that war a great number of people are looking for leaders who can help them understand the issues and make decisions

People of both sexes are very conscious these days of the Women's Lib Movement. On two or three occasions recently, I've been called to "talk to" referring to people in the communications field in the masculine gender. Since I am in this field it was surprising to me how particularly interested my challengers (one a he, the other a she) that I would refer to news people and editors as he's.

To my male challenger, the answer was relatively simple. Just as I don't have any hang-ups about ships and hurricanes being she's, I don't have any hang-ups about newspapers being news man. For some reason, I feel more liberated with a woman editor or writer rather than a news woman or news person (I choke on the annoyance of the latter).

To my female challenger, the answer was a little more facile. Because every woman, it seems, has her own definition of being liberated—dege to which she wishes to be liberated. In terms of today's definition of liberation, I confess to some ambivalence. On the one hand, I'm fight to my death the prejudices against a woman's ability to do any job equally as well as a man and her right to equal pay for that job. On the other hand, I love having a man adhere to that old-fashioned notion that a woman belongs walking on the outside of the sidewalk to protect me from splashes or whatever.

I'll bet you know that that ambivalence is not so unique in women. A very famous—yet sometimes forgotten—November 1970, Michigan's first coordinator of Farm Bureau Women's activities, traveling to Washington, D.C., on the floor of the House.
Another Dividend for 'Safety Group'

Frank Crandall of Calhoun County was recently appointed to the Board of Directors of Farm Bureau Services, Inc. His appointment filled a vacancy created by the resignation of Norman Schultz of Huron County. "We are fortunate," states Farm Bureau Services' President Elton R. Smith, "in being able to attract a man like Frank Crandall to our Board. He brings to the Board a lifetime interest in agriculture and rural interests that are involved in the Poultry Improvement Project."

"Another factor that makes the dividend more remarkable," said Wiseman, "is that it was earned while operating a full year under the greatly liberalized Workmen's Compensation Law."

At the end of 1972, a Michigan Supreme Court decision eliminated all agricultural exemptions in the Workmen's Compensation Law. Now, all farm employees subject to the Act must pay full, statutory benefits if an employee is injured or killed through the fault of the Employer. The 'Safety Group' concept, an extension of the 'Safety Group' concept, "provides a means of keeping insurance premiums as low as possible. This is especially important now that Workmen's Compensation rules have changed. All participants can share safety profits."

Dividends can range from 9% to 45% of each policyholder's annual premium as declared by the Board of Directors. It's based on actual safety experience of participating Farm Bureau members. For example, the safety dividend in 1972 equalled 25% of individual annual premium while the 1973 dividend was 19%. Any Michigan farmer can become a "Safety Group" member if: he holds a Farm Bureau membership; actually joins the "Safety Group"; agrees to a common July 1 effective date for his Workmen's Compensation insurance policy; and, the majority of his payroll going to agricultural employees.

In the past, many farmers have relied on Farm Liability or Employer's Liability insurance to provide necessary protection in case of employee injury or death. This is expected to change. Workmen's Compensation policy can be used to pay his Workmen's Compensation Policy. Under Workmen's Compensation law, an Employer's Liability insurance policy (or any other type of indemnification) becomes invalid if an employer is involved. Under Workmen's Compensation Act.
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November 1, 1974

Achievement Awards Announced

Farm Bureau Member Life achievement awards were recently announced by the State Director of Member Services, James H. Stronach. The awards were given through the combined efforts of County Farm Bureaus and the Michigan Farm Bureau. Those efforts extended over a 90 day sign up period ending May 30, 1974. The goal was to provide basic family life insurance for all of the 43,000 Farm Bureau agents. The contest was exclusively to Farm Bureau agents. At the conclusion of the contest, those agents whose physical health required medical advice to get proper physical examinations. These physicals were required for all agents who desired to get a medical check-up.

The Farm Bureau Member Life Awards marked achievement both on a statewide and a county basis. The awards were given to the agents who had sold the greatest number of policies in the contest period. The awards were given in three categories: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. The awards were given in each of these categories to the top three agents in the state. The awards were given to the top three agents in each county. The awards were given to the top three agents in each of these categories.

The purpose of the program was to encourage members of the Michigan Farm Bureau to purchase basic family life insurance. The program was designed to encourage members of the Michigan Farm Bureau to purchase basic family life insurance. The program was designed to encourage members of the Michigan Farm Bureau to purchase basic family life insurance.

Some 6,700 farm families, 14% of all Michigan farm families, participated in the program. The Farm Bureau Board of Directors authorized Member Life insurance development by Farm Bureau Life.

Seven thousand two hundred and forty-nine new policies were issued. The contest generated $50,000 in new business. The contest generated $50,000 in new business.

New Farm Bureau members of the Michigan Farm Bureau were issued new life insurance policies. The insurance program was designed to provide physical or medical protection to the agent. The program was designed to provide physical or medical protection to the agent. The program was designed to provide physical or medical protection to the agent.

Other benefits include:
1. An insurance policy created exclusively for Farm Bureau members.
2. Rates for Farm Bureau members and spouses ages 18 through 75, and children ages 15 through 18, are 10% lower than single and not holding a Farm Bureau Member Life policy.
3. Members of the U.S. Armed Forces in this country in the armed forces are eligible for coverage under the life insurance program.
4. No physical exam or health questionnaires are required. Eligibility can be shown by a Farm Bureau Life member.
5. New members of the Michigan Farm Bureau are eligible for membership by January 31 to obtain eligibility for renewal.

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The following compilation of roll call votes taken during the 93rd Congress is provided to assist Farm Bureau members in learning the positions of their elected representatives. The votes are those of Members of Congress who are members of Farm Bureau and have been serving since 1966. This voting information continues to be presented in this form for most other members and agencies, including the Administration. The information is presented in a table format. The table provides the names of the members, their party affiliations, and the votes they cast on selected issues. The table is organized by issue and includes the bill number, the date, the vote result, and the description of the roll call. The table also includes notes on the issues and the votes. The table is laid out in a way that is easy to read and understand, with clear headings and concise information. The table is a useful tool for Farm Bureau members to track the legislative positions of their representatives and to stay informed about important issues affecting agriculture and rural communities.
1974-1975 Membership Chairmen

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Peach Crisis Lessened

In these days of criticism, backbiting, sit on your hands, do nothing attitudes, Farm Bureau members came through. A clingstone peach emergency developed in Oceana and Mason counties caused by the Gerber Product Company not buying in volume this year. Many clingstone peach growers in western Michigan, particularly Oceana County, were going to lose all or part of their crop because of no market. Bob Lee, Northeast Regional Representative, said his Farm Bureau members would help, and they did!!! All members in the Northeast region were contacted by mail. The member-to-member citrus committee in five counties volunteered to help organize the program. They did a tremendous job.

Mrs. Edna Timm, Alpena County, organized 400 bushels of peaches into her area. John Sein, Alcona County; Roy Cross, Iosca County; Larry Karsten, Presque Isle County; and Jane McNeill, Otsego County, put together five truck loads of peaches.

The biggest thank you of all goes to the Farm Bureau members that bought the peaches. Market Development and the farmers would like to thank all the people who helped in the peach endeavor.

Dave Wolfe, Market Specialist, Market Development Division.

Letter of Thanks

Homefront

Viewing all of the many fall flowers in all their splendor was a grand treat for members of the Friendly Farmers when they met at the home of Maurice and Ellen John in Isabella County. They also watched the water wheel work and enjoyed the antics of a ground squirrel.

The Silver City community group did it again! They won first place for their display at the county fair. It was a beautiful well-organized display made possible by all members of the group assisting Malvena Bartek and Eloise Cook, who served as chairman and co-chairman.

A hearty "Welcome Back" to Group 13, Eaton County. After a year's absence this group resumed regular meetings with five families present.

Following the September meeting of the Klaedyke community group in Alcona County a delicious lunch was served by the host and hostess. Leslie and Pearl Sweet were honored with a beautifully decorated cake in observance of their 57th Wedding Anniversary.

You'll Love New Orleans

Site of the AFBF National Convention

January 5-9, 1975

Sailing down the Mississippi in 1682, LaSalle claimed a vast area which included the present state of Louisiana, for France's Sun King, Louis XIV. Today, Louisiana's premier tourist attraction is the Vieux Carre, better known as the French Quarter of New Orleans.

Here, in the shadow of the French Quarter's hundred buildings, with leafy patios and balconies of iron grillwork, are more Spanish than French in design. And gastronomes assert that New Orleans famous cuisine is not French but Creole - based on the spices of the delta, the bounty of the gulf, and the culinary arts of French, Indian, Spanish, and African cooks. And the music! Not French at all, but Dixieland jazz blaring every night from streetcars on Bourbon Street, New Orleans, in its uniqueness, delights the eyes,ears, and taste buds of those fortunate who can sample its charms.

Like oaks draped with ghostly Spanish moss; bayous dark with cypress canopies; waters where alligators, bobcats, alligators, lizards, and marshy fields abound; waterways and winding bayous; and moving bands ring out for funerals.

No matter what facet of the city of New Orleans you choose to explore, you'll love her. And I'll love you right back. So plan now to join other Michigan Farm Bureau members in attending the AFBF National Convention, January 5-9, 1975.

Chartered flights will depart: Detroit January 4 and 5 for a direct flight to New Orleans.

All flights will return January 9. Cost of the round trip will be $186.00 per person. This includes airfare from Detroit to New Orleans and return, bus from airport to hotel, and from hotel to airport on day of return; baggage handling, tips to porters and a one-day sightseeing tour on Wednesday, January 8, which includes an afternoon cruise on the Mississippi River.

Not included in the above price are: hotel room in New Orleans, other New Orleans expenses such as meals, and items of a personal nature (room service and telephone charges). We'll be staying at the Brandiff Place Hotel. Room rates will be $18.50 to $21.50 for single rooms and $22.50 to $27.50 for double and twin rooms.

Make your reservations now, before November 15, 1974.

And Still More Building Spirit For '76

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Margaret Boyle
Tuscola County

Lee Dowd
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Richard Sharak
Wayne County

Richard Siddall
Wayne County

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Come early with your Bus-o-rama group or Car-o-rama... win an early bird prize. Other prizes for groups of ten or more. You must be in auditorium before 10am to get your eligibility for the grand prize... a powerful snowmobile.

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November Chicago soybean futures, which closed October 4 at $9.50 per bushel, dropped sharply following reports of a possible early cancellation of the Russian grain shipments. By the end of the week, on October 11, the price had dropped to $8.88 per bushel or a 6% per day loss.

By mid-October, soybean prices had stabilized. As a result of President Ford's support, exporters have begun to sell soybeans on the world market. This support has caused the price of soybeans to rise and is expected to continue to rise in the future. The soybean market is currently facing a surplus of supply and demand.

A panel of experts will meet on October 4 to discuss "What is the future for the delegates' opportunity to attend the meeting?" In an attempt to provide more opportunities for discussion at the Natural Resources Conference, Mr. Dennis Hall, Farmland and Regional Cooperative, will be on hand to discuss "The need for additional and improved supplies and services."

Auggie of Illinois, who is instrumental in the development of the Open Space Preservation Program, will discuss "The role of government agencies in the preservation of open space." The program will be held in the Continental Room of the Michigan Beef Conference on November 1.

Both Feed prices are high and most of the supplies are still held in the ports. The Class I and II prices are expected to remain high for the next few months. The Class III price is expected to remain at the current level of $3.00.

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For Governor for Sec. of State

Notes

Farm Bureau members will have an opportunity to exercise one of their most basic citizenship responsibilities on general election day. They will be called on to cast ballots to reflect the wishes of the eligible voters who cast their ballots in their behalf. It is the function of a good citizen to be informed about the candidates and issues before voting. However, the image of farm people can be raised even higher if they turn out in maximum numbers to cast their vote on November 5.

In this important election year there are many pertinent Farm Bureau members can take which would be more appropriate than to carefully study the ballot proposals and candidates and use the information to cast an informed vote on November 6. In addition to the names of candidates seeking local, state and national elective offices, the November ballot will contain four statewide proposals of interest to all Farm Bureau members. Information on these ballot proposals is included with this issue of the Michigan Farm News.

Duties of Governor

The governor, as the chief executive officer of the state and commander in chief of the armed forces, has the responsibility to see that the laws are faithfully executed. He supervises the principal departments of the executive branch and appoints members to state boards and commissions. He submits an annual state budget to the Legislature recommending sufficient revenues to meet the proposed expenditures. All bills passed by the Legislature must be submitted to the governor for approval or veto. The governor may call a special election to fill a vacancy in the Legislature or in the U.S. House of Representatives and to fill a vacancy in the U.S. Senate by appointment. On November 5 voters will elect a governor for a four-year term.

SANDER LEVIN is the Democrat candidate for Governor. He is a graduate of the University of Chicago, Columbia University and Harvard Law School. A State Senator from 1963 to 1970, he served as Senate Minority Leader from 1967 to 1970 and as state Democratic chairman from 1967 to 1968. He also served three terms on the Oakland County Board of Supervisors. He was a Democratic delegate to the 1968 Democratic National Convention. He was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1972 and to the U.S. Senate in 1982. He is a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee and the Joint Committee on Intragovernmental Relations.

WILLIAM MILLiken, is the Democrat candidate for Governor. He is a native of Traverse City, Governor Milliken is a graduate of Yale University and has received honorary Doctor of Law degrees from the State University of Michigan and the University of Chicago. He is a partner in the Detroit law firm of Michigan, Illinois and New York.

RICHARD AUSTIN is a native of Alabama. He is a graduate of the University of Chicago and has received a Doctor of Laws degree from the State University of Michigan. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Michigan. He is a member of the Board of Governors of the University of Michigan. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Michigan Farm Bureau. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Michigan State University. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Michigan State University. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Michigan State University. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Michigan State University. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Michigan State University. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Michigan State University. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Michigan State University. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Michigan State University. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Michigan State University. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Michigan State University. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Michigan State University. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Michigan State University. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Michigan State University.

For State Board of Education

Secretary of State

The Secretary of State is the chief officer of the State Board of Education. Among his many duties are: registration of state vehicles, issuing motor vehicle license plates and drivers licenses. He maintains and directs the operation of more than 250 branch offices located in 83 county seats and other population centers where motor vehicles may be registered and titled and where other services are available to the public. The Secretary of State supervises all elections held in Michigan. If there should arise in the office of the governor and if the lieutenant governor is incapable of performing the duties of the office, that of the Secretary of State acts as governor until the vacancy is filled.

JAMES O'NEIL is a Republican candidate. He is a graduate of the University of Michigan and an attorney in private practice in the Detroit law firm of O'Neill & O'Neill. He is a member of the Michigan State Bar Association and a past president of the Michigan State Bar Association. He is a member of the Michigan State Bar Association and a past president of the Michigan State Bar Association.

BARBARA ROBERTS is the Democrat candidate. She is a graduate of the University of Michigan and an attorney in private practice in the Detroit law firm of Roberts & Roberts. She is a member of the Michigan State Bar Association and a past president of the Michigan State Bar Association. She is a member of the Michigan State Bar Association and a past president of the Michigan State Bar Association.

Attorney General

The Attorney General is the chief law enforcement officer of the State. By virtue of his office the Attorney General is a member of numerous state boards and commissions including the State Administrative Board. He is legal counsel for the Legislature and each officer, department, board and commission of state government. The Attorney General may intervene in any lawsuit, criminal or civil, which affects the interests of the people of the state require. Those who wish to be members of any of these boards must be elected by voters on November 5 for a four-year term of office.

Supreme Court

The Supreme Court is the highest judicial power in the state. It is responsible for general supervision and control over all lower courts. Judges of the Supreme Court consider many issues involving constitutional questions and review rulings from the Court of Appeals. Decisions of the Supreme Court are binding on all lower courts and must be followed by every citizen. Supreme Court justices are elected by a non-partisan ballot. Two Supreme Court justices will be elected for eight-year terms on November 5, 1974.

FLORENCE SALTMAN is a Democrat candidate. She is a graduate of the University of Michigan and an attorney in private practice in the Detroit law firm of Saltman & Saltman. She is a member of the Michigan State Bar Association and a past president of the Michigan State Bar Association. She is a member of the Michigan State Bar Association and a past president of the Michigan State Bar Association.

State Board of Education

The State Board of Education has general supervision of all public schools, including adult education and instructional programs in the state institutions, except institutions of higher education granting baccalaureate degrees, which are vested in the State Board of Education.

MSU Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees has general supervision of Michigan State University as well as control and direction of all expenditures from the university's funds. The Board of Trustees also elects the president of the university.

The agricultural community considers it essential that at least one of the eight members serving on the Board of Trustees be a farmer. On November 5 the voters will elect two members to the MSU Board of Trustees for eight-year terms.
John Fitzgerald is a native of Grand Ledge and graduate of the University of Michigan Law School. He served in the U.S. Army Infantry during World War II.

From 1945-1946 he served as a legal counsel for the Michigan State Senate Judiciary Committee. He was elected to the State Senate and re-elected in 1950 and 1952. He then practiced law in Grand Ledge until his election in 1964 to the 3rd District of the Court of Appeals. In 1964, 1966 and 1971 he was elected Chief Judge Pro Tem.

In 1973 Mr. Fitzgerald was appointed Justice of the Michigan Supreme Court.

Thomas M. Kavanagh is currently serving as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. He is a native of Sarnia City and graduate from the University of Detroit School of Law. He practiced law for 23 years in Detroit and Sarnia City where he began his public service career as City Attorney.

Justice Kavanagh is a member of the State Bar of Michigan, American Bar Association and American Law Institute. He is Chairman of the National Advisory Council of the Center for Administration of Justice. In 1964 and again in 1966 he was elected Attorney General of Michigan. He was elected to the Supreme Court in 1968 and re-elected in 1969.

Allan Miller is currently serving as a member of the 23rd Circuit Court. His circuit includes Ingham, Alcona and Oscoda counties.

Born in Tawas City, Judge Miller earned his law degree from the University of Michigan. He is also a graduate of the National Trial Judges College. Upon graduation from the University of Michigan he practiced law for 12 years. He has practiced before all state and federal courts in addition to the Tax Court, Board of Immigration Appeals, Securities and Exchange Commission, Interstate Commerce Commission and appellate courts. He is a member of the State Bar of Michigan, American Bar Association, and numerous other law organizations.

Blair Moody, Jr. is a graduate of the University of Michigan Law School and a native of Detroit. Following graduation he served in the Air Force during the Korean War. He practiced as a trial lawyer for 13 years concentrating in the field of negligence, workers' compensation and transportation law.

In 1964, he was elected to the Wayne County Circuit Court where he currently serves as Judge.

Judge Moody has served as a visiting judge with Detroit Recorder's Court and the Michigan State Court of Appeals. He is treasurer of the Executive Committee of the Michigan Judges Association, lecturer on criminal justice and member of the American Judicature Society.

Frank Kelley, Democrat, is currently serving as Michigan's Attorney General. Born in Detroit, he received his law degree from the University of Detroit Law School in 1961. After practicing corporation law in Detroit until 1964, he moved to Alpena where he served as City Attorney and County Supervisor. He also taught law and economics at the local college.

Mr. Kelley was appointed as Attorney General in January, 1962 and was elected to a full term in November of that year. He was re-elected Attorney General in 1964, 1966 and 1970. He is Chairman of the Michigan Municipal Finance Commission; member of Probate Judges Retirement and State Employees' Retirement Boards, and the State Administrative Board. He was the first Michigan Attorney General to be elected President of the National Association of Attorneys General.

Myron Wahls is a native of Chicago and graduate of Northwestern University Law School. Prior to joining a Detroit law firm, of which he is currently a member, Mr. Wahls was City Editor of the Michigan Chronicle. He was appointed by Governor Milliken in 1969 to the Michigan Employment Security Commission Appeal Board, reappointed in 1970 and named Chairman in 1973.

Mr. Wahls is former Chairman, Civil Liberties Committee of the State Bar of Michigan; and former President of the Wolverine Bar Association. He is a member of the Grievance Committee on Disputes Between Lawyers, State Bar of Michigan and Board member, Fund for Equal Justice. He is the Republican candidate for Attorney General.

Raymond Krolkowski is a candidate for MSU Board of Trustees. He is a lifelong member of the Democrat party. He is Director of the Polish-American Chamber of Commerce and the American - Polish Action Council. From 1966-72 he was a member of the New Detroit Board of Trustees. He was a Democratic delegate to the 1961-62 Constitutional Convention in Michigan.

Frank Merriman is the only farmer candidate for the MSU Board of Trustees. He is a Republican, he operates a successful 360 acre dairy farm in Sanilac County. He has served as President of Sanilac County Farm Bureau, President of Michigan Milk Producers local, President of Select Sires, President of Michigan Agricultural Conference and delegate to the National Republican Convention in 1972. He has received the Farm Bureau Distinguished Service Award and was named Dairymen of the Year in 1972.

Mr. Merriman was elected to the MSU Board of Trustees in 1960 and re-elected in 1966. He is currently serving as Chairman of the Board and is recognized for his leadership in strengthening agricultural programs at MSU.

John Thompson is a Republican incumbent member on the MSU Board of Trustees. He was first elected to the Board in 1966. He is a graduate of MSU and has served as a trustee and Vice Chairman of the MSU Development Fund, Director of MSU Engineering Alumni Association and Advisory Board member to the MSU Highway Traffic Safety Center.

Mr. Thompson has a long record of community service accomplishments in such activities as the Michigan Safety Conference, United Foundation, Salvation Army and Governor's Special Commission on Traffic Safety. He recently retired as area General Manager for Michigan Bell Telephone Company.

**Proposals on the Ballot**

Michigan voters have an opportunity on November 5 to make serious decisions that will in each case have a long lasting effect on Michigan's economy for years to come. In most cases the proposals will set policies to be followed. The proposals are as follows:

**Proposal A:** Limiting Use of Motor Fuel Tax Funds

Farm Bureau does not have a position on this issue.

**Proposal B:** Vietnam Veterans Bonus Bonds

Farm Bureau does not have a position on this issue.

**Proposal C:** Removal of Sales Tax on Food and Prescription Drugs

Your Farm Bureau Board of Directors believes that this approach is the best solution that has been developed and urges A YES VOTE ON PROPOSAL D.

For detailed information on the four ballot proposals, read Robert K. Smith's "Ballot Report" on page four of the October 1974 Michigan Farm News.
On Foreign Trade

Where Should We Stand?

Sometimes the farmer forgets that he is a consumer too. If he buys a lace collar on a piece of cotton goods, his income will provide a better living for his family. About half of all the products we import are things which we do not produce in the United States.

Without trade we could not drink coffee, tea or cacao. We would not have clothing. We would have to use candles instead of electric lighting. We would have difficulty producing the automobile or TV set without chrome, cobalt, tungsten, tin, nickel, manganese and beryllium.

**STUFF FOR STUFF**

Sooner or later the farmer must do something. He can do nothing but buy and buy, buy and buy. We must have something or commodity to give in exchange.

The trade in foreign goods is important because we don't have to discourage buying abroad because "we shouldn't let our dollars get out of this country." They forget that the dollar is acceptable only because it is linked to gold. We must have a net export balance in order to maintain the dollar. When we import foreign goods we create a demand for a dollar's worth of exports. To sell our goods abroad we must get foreign currencies in exchange. We must have exports to pay for our imports -

1) the sale and shipment of goods, both raw and manufactured;
2) the sale of services such as ocean transportation and spending by travelers;
3) the sale of stock, bond and real property;
4) the shipment of gold

**BARRIERS TO TRADE**

Even though it has been demonstrated in our own country that it pays to specialize in our production and trade with others, there are many obstacles to applying this when we buy from abroad.

Many farmers and others fear that a lowering of trade barriers will mean lower prices, which will lower their income. They are not aware that this fear is based on a misunderstanding of the behavior of the market. The market will eventually be used to buy goods in the United States. For all practical purposes, every dollar spent on imports returns to the United States in payment for exports produced by American workers.

A tariff does not guarantee a high price. In the competition among the goods, imported goods are sold at their market price, which is determined by the demand for them and the lower cost of production. A tariff in itself may lower the price of the imported good in the country where it is sold. It may even lower the price in the country of origin.

Farmers must recognize that they do not have an equal chance to compete. Their goods are sold at the lowest price that is acceptable only because the dollar is acceptable only because it is linked to gold.

**VALUE OF MICHIGAN FARM PRODUCTS SOLD ABROAD**

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**CONCLUSIONS**

The fundamental reason for maintaining and expanding our U.S. trade is to increase the economic strength and the welfare of the country. A nation's wealth is increased if it trades the goods it produces to the greatest advantage (or at the least disadvantage) for foreign goods which it needs but does not produce at all, or for goods which are produced more efficiently abroad.

Our American history has emphatically demonstrated that it pays to specialize and trade. The artificial boundary between nations should have no real bearing on this economic principle.

We do not lose dollars when we buy foreign goods. The only reason the dollar is acceptable abroad is because it can be eventually be used to buy goods in the United States.

Foreign countries cannot buy our exports without American dollars. In the final analysis, the only way in which they can earn dollars in buying goods and services to the United States. For all practical purposes, every dollar spent on imports returns to the United States in payment for exports produced by American workers.
Dairy Forum

"Managing the Feed Supply Situation" will be the theme of a dairyman’s emergency feed conference at Kellinger College, Michigan State University, East Lansing, on November 19. The conference, which is sponsored by the MSU Departments of Dairy Science and Agricultural Economics, will begin with a 9:30 a.m. registration.

Topics pertinent to dairy farmers include prospects for milk prices in the future, feed grade supplies and projected prices, and "Can I make a profit in 1975?" What are the consequences if I can't? Scheduled speakers for the conference are Glen Lake, president of Michigan Milk Producers Association; George Dyck, director of the Agricultural Policy Analysis Center at MSU; Dr. William Bill Thomas, Tal Huber, and Herb Bucholtz, of the MSU Department of Dairy Science.

Previous registration is required for the conference. Those planning to attend may mail their reservations to: Dairyman’s Conference, Kellinger College, East Lansing 48823, or call (517) 355-4099.

Co-op Meeting

The new Lansing Hilton Inn (next door to Farm Bureau Center) will be the site of the Michigan Association of Farmer Cooperatives annual meeting and state co-op clinic on December 3. Registration and the business meeting is set for 9 a.m. According to MACF Council chairman Jim Stiebahn, several outstanding speakers are scheduled to appear on the program, including R. C. Upton of Michigan Cooperative Bank, who will discuss "Financing Michigan Agriculture." You are entitled to and how many people are covered by your contractual health insurance schedule is furnished for use of community group members who may wish to review it prior to their group meetings. If used by a community group, in lieu of report sheet furnished the Discussion Leader, please forward answers with minutes to Information & Public Relations Division, Michigan Farm Bureau, P.O. Box 960, Lansing, Michigan 48904 on or before December 1, 1974.

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TOPIC: FOREIGN TRADE

1. Which policy do you think is best for our country in the long run—"Protection," "Free Trade," or "Modified Free Trade?"

2. Pretend your group is a committee preparing Farm Bureau policy on foreign trade. List some of the points you feel should be included in the policy.

3. Conclusions:

FARM BUREAU MARKETPLACE

SPECIAL RATE TO FARM BUREAU MEMBERS: One free 25 word ad and $1.00 member ad. Two or more editions, $1.00 per month per person per meeting, additional 10 words each, 10 cents each. Figures such as 12 or $12.50 count as one word NON-MEMBER advertisements: 15 cents per word per edition, two or more editions, 10 cents per word per month per person per meeting, additional 10 words each, 10 cents each. Copy deadline: 13th of Month, Mail classified ads to Michigan Farm News, P.O. Box 960, Lansing, MI 48904.

FARM EQUIPMENT

FOR SALE — "Flying L" horse & stock trailers, gooseneck & flatbed in stock, Tn. mil. mod. late model IH, SN 772143, $500.00, Mich. SN 771188, $450.00. Phone 1-577-3777.

FOR SALE: New 1974 trailer chuck to pull 6' x 10', round back, $250.00. Phone (517) 379-5011, 6494 N. Wise Rd., Rd. 1, Coleman 48813. (11-12-2t-2k)

FOR SALE: G-2 Cherry River Grain & feed type 4 X 12' rolling beds, rigid double wall construction. $1500.00 cash. 715-pamp. 682-2820, Box 5, Midland City, Mich. 48640. (4-11-3t-19p)


REAL ESTATE

ACTIVE MEMBERS want ready or six months prior to sale. Southern California, near coast and Shenandoah Valley, Real estate preferred. Reasonable Klaus, MI, 1-677-4874. (9-3t-19p)

238 ACRES, on half bordering Flint River, many small farms, woods, hunting, and Lodge on Green County line and Saginaw County line. Goren REALTY 4577-7711. (10-12-3t-15p)

VOTE NOV. 5

Young Farmer Mike Norton (standing) makes statement during the District Five meeting held Monday, October 21 at the Ingalls Hall. Photo by Gary Haynes (far left) were named winners of the meeting. They will be competing against other District winners at the MFB Annual Meeting in Grand Rapids December 11.
Three years ago, another new Farm Bureau Mutual insurance concept began . . .
“Safety Group” Workmen’s Compensation insurance. Three years, three consecutive dividends. Three years of sharing the risk, pulling together and coming out on top.

During those three years, our “Safety Group” Workmen’s Compensation policyholders have received dividends totaling over $182,000. The checks going out in November total $80,000 . . . 10 percent of your annual policy premium. Those dollars were earned by safety awareness practiced between July 1, 1973 and June 30, 1974.

Now that agricultural Workmen’s Compensation rules have changed, the “Safety Group” program is more valuable than ever. And any Michigan farmer can become a “Safety Group” member if he holds a Farm Bureau Membership; actually joins the “Safety Group”; agrees to a common July 1 effective date for his Workmen’s Compensation insurance policy; with the majority of his payroll going to agricultural employees.

“Safety Group” Workmen’s Compensation . . . another agricultural insurance idea that works . . . from Farm Bureau Mutual.

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