

# Michigan Farm News

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## Farm Bureau Joins in Petition for Reapportionment

### EDITORIAL

#### This Proposal Needs Your Help

Will you help with petitions for a reapportionment of the legislature in 1953 along the lines of Senate Joint Resolution A?

About 250,000 signatures will be needed by July 1 to place the proposal on the ballot for the election in November.

The Michigan Farm Bureau and the Michigan State Grange, have told the Citizens Committee in charge of the proposed amendment that they can secure 100,000 signatures from the rural areas.

As you probably know, the CIO and American Federation of Labor of Michigan have petitions in circulation for a reapportionment of both houses of the legislature on a strictly population basis.

Adoption of either the CIO or A. F. of L. of Michigan petitions would destroy the present balance in the legislature between Detroit and out-state Michigan. It could place practical control of the legislature in two or three heavily populated counties.

For information on Senate Joint Resolution A, see the article "Farm Bureau Joins in Petition for Reapportionment." Page 1.

#### Rubber for Russia

The American Farm Bureau and the Michigan Farm Bureau at their annual meetings in the late fall of 1951 adopted resolutions which said in effect:

"We are opposed to countries that we are aiding carrying on trade in strategic materials and other goods with unfriendly countries and their allies."

Senator Herbert O'Connor of Maryland placed in the Congressional Record recently a statement from a London newspaper saying that Great Britain's exports of raw rubber to Russia have risen from 18 tons in June, 1950, to 12,260 tons in January, 1952, the latest figures available.

The rubber is grown mostly in Malaya and sent to Britain and then shipped to Russia. British soldiers and rubber planters are fighting communist terrorists in Malaya.

Senator O'Connor reminded the Senate that the Defense Assistance Control Act of 1951 provides that the United States shall grant no aid to any country unless it clamps an embargo on shipments of war materials "of primary strategic significance" to Russia and satellite countries.

Why does this go on? Because our government has not declared that raw rubber comes under the meaning of this law.

#### Facts on Mexican Made Baler Twine

Baler and binder twine made by several manufacturers in Mexico are now on the U. S. market.

HOW good is it?

Baler and binder twine are bought by the pound, but are used by the foot. Stops in the field because of twine breaks, bunching, or other troubles are expensive. Faith must be placed in the manufacturer to produce a strong, trouble-free twine.

UNITED Co-operatives testing laboratory reports tests on five samples of baler twine of U. S. manufacture and five samples from Mexican manufacturers.

Here are the average tensile strengths, bold face figures are for U. S. made twine: 292-193; 300-198; 269-212; 284-185; 287-279.

AVERAGE strength of baler twine should range from 250 to 300 lbs. breaking point, with a minimum of 230 lbs. Binder twine should range from 70 to 90 lbs. with a minimum breaking point of 50 lbs.

#### Seed Treatment

Treating seed gives higher yields because seed-borne fungi that cause plant diseases are destroyed. Soil-infesting fungi that rot seed and kill seedlings are reduced and weeds are set back by establishment of better stands of grain.

#### German High School Students Arrive in August

Are you interested in having a German high school student in your home for one year? Five will arrive in Michigan on August 18, two boys and three girls.

The students are being sponsored through the State Department by the Michigan Junior Farm Bureau. They are likely to be from 17 to 20 years old. They have a working knowledge of English.

For one year they are to live with an American family and see for themselves just how our government works. During that time they are to be treated as a member of the family. They work with you, eat with you, go to church with you, and attend other community functions. The State Department has set aside funds to defray a portion of their expenses.

Five German students are in the state now. The program has been well liked by the sponsoring families. If you are interested in having one of the students, contact your local Junior Farm Bureau president or write directly to the Michigan Junior Farm Bureau at 221 N. Cedar, Lansing 4.

#### Oats were Weeds

When you eat your oatmeal just thank your stars that the old Roman farmers didn't have weed sprayers. The Romans figured oats were weeds—but they never quite killed them all off. These days U. S. farmers grow about 1.4 billion bushels of oats yearly.

### Huron Farm Bureau Group Visits Legislature



One of the largest delegations of Farm Bureau members to visit the capitol during the 1952 legislative session came from Huron county. The group of 77 visited the Farm Bureau Services warehouse. At noon they had a luncheon guests Senator Alpheus Decker and Representative Howard Nugent. They visited the legislature in the afternoon and heard discussion of important appropriation bills. Nearly 1100 Farm Bureau members were included in visits to the Michigan Farm Bureau and the legislature by 30 County Farm Bureau groups this spring. Women's groups came from Bay, Calhoun, Genesee and Jackson counties.

### 52,525 Farm Families in Farm Bureau

WESLEY S. HAWLEY  
PRACTICALLY final figures for our membership campaign show a total of 52,525 families are members of the Michigan Farm Bureau for 1952. We have exceeded our state goal by 1,000. Forty-three of the 62 County Farm Bureaus have reached or passed their membership goals. Standings of the counties as of April 24:

COUNTY	200	TOTAL	% OF
		APRIL 24 GOAL	
Alcona	290	114	100
Allegan	1,748	1,757	100
Alpena	537	571	106
Arenac	387	271	96
Arenac	276	312	113
Barry	1,084	1,119	103
Bay	1,268	1,378	108
Benzie	793	498	91
Berrien	2,003	1,947	97
Branch	1,659	1,755	106
Calhoun	1,219	1,235	101
Cass	739	780	106
Charlevoix	296	311	105
Chippewagon	202	192	95
Clinton	1,411	1,403	99
Eaton	1,168	1,195	102
Emmett	219	224	102
Genesee	1,160	1,161	100
Gladwin	261	298	118
Gratiot	1,210	1,173	97
Hillsdale	1,210	1,290	107
Huron	1,571	1,826	104
Ingham	994	832	84
Ionia	1,060	1,096	103
Iosco	141	165	117
Isabella	1,095	1,023	93
Jackson	531	453	85
Kalamazoo	1,025	995	97
Kent	1,049	1,060	101
Lapeer	1,367	1,405	103
Leelanau	1,124	1,173	105
Livingston	1,117	1,250	112
Macomb	804	787	98
Manistee	186	157	84
Mason	503	450	89
Merced	646	655	101
Montcalm	683	703	103
Montmorency	1,211	1,200	99
Muskegon	365	355	97
Newaygo	525	526	100
N. W. Mich.	237	234	99
Oakland	348	345	99
Oceana	589	560	95
Ogemaw	125	125	100
Oscoda	539	539	100
Otsego	82	76	93
Ottawa	1,147	1,088	95
Presque Isle	380	396	104
Saginaw	1,835	1,920	105
Sanilac	1,535	1,752	114
St. Clair	1,045	1,063	102
St. Joseph	920	993	108
Shiawassee	797	749	94
Tuscola	1,449	1,555	108
Van Buren	1,717	1,657	97
Washtenaw	1,436	1,441	100
Wayne	326	228	70
Westford	212	196	92
Totals	51,500	52,525	102

### Farm Bureau Reports Work in the Legislature

STANLEY M. POWELL  
Director of Public Affairs  
Now that the main portion of the 1952 legislative session has been completed this is a good time to check over what was and wasn't done and see how it compares with the resolutions adopted at the November, 1951 convention of the Michigan Farm Bureau.

**State Finances.** The first Farm Bureau resolution had to do with state government finance. This was a major issue throughout the session. Probably because of political implications and since this is an election year, nothing was done with reference to the various recommendations of the so-called "Little Hoover Commission," many of which involve greater centralization of power in the office of Governor.

**Truck Overloads.** The Farm Bureau pointed out the importance of protecting highways against truck overloads. It urged that the 1951 law be amended to meet technical objections which the Attorney General had raised against it. These results were obtained through enactment of S-57 and S-58 which establish a schedule of heavy penalties for truck overloads and empower justices of the peace to impose such fines.

**Auto Inspection.** A Farm Bureau resolution asked its board of directors to study the matter of compulsory motor vehicle inspection. Three bills on this subject were introduced in the legislature during the recent session, but none were acted on.

**Reapportionment.** The board of directors of the Michigan Farm Bureau felt that SJR-A proposing new constitutional provisions relative to legislative reapportionment was in accordance with action taken by the delegates last November. That proposal received one more than the needed two-

thirds vote in the Senate, but lacked 8 votes in the House. Organizations favoring this proposal are now planning a campaign to place its provisions on the November election ballot by the petition method.

**Schools.** Farm Bureau delegates urged that each local school board should be permitted to choose one voting delegate to go to the county meeting at which members of the county board of education are elected. S-248 embodying such a provision was enacted.

**Election Laws.** With reference to election law changes the delegates urged "improvements which will give a more considered expression by the thinking voters." One amendment of general interest agreed upon by the lawmakers was to advance the date of the primary election to August 5. This was embodied in H-131.

**State Fair.** Elimination of the dual control and overlapping authority relative to the Michigan State Fair was urged by the Farm Bureau delegates. Chances appeared favorable for enactment of such legislation. However, when the time came for consideration of this problem, Fair conditions were still being investigated by a grand jury, so legislative consideration of the problem was deferred.

**Bounties.** The delegates asked that responsibility of processing fox, wolf and coyote bounties now handled by the district office of the State Conservation Department, be returned to township clerks. The legislature took a step in this direction by authorizing sheriffs to process fox bounties. This was one of many favored features in H-251.

**Game Laws.** Other provisions in line with Farm Bureau resolutions were: forbidding the use of high-powered rifles in south-

ern Michigan for all hunting during the deer season. Opening the small game hunting season was delayed 5 days. The State Department of Conservation was granted discretionary authority for three years to adopt and enforce regulations for controlling the deer herd in the lower peninsula. It was made the duty of conservation officers to make arrests for violations of all laws by hunters.

**MSC.** Delegates had recommended erection of a livestock industries building at Michigan State College. In an effort to arrive at a balanced budget the legislature held down appropriations for capital improvements. Provision was not made for this building.

**Sex Deviates.** Farm Bureau Women at their convention last November endorsed the recommendations of the Governor's Study Commission on Sex Deviates. They asked that those recommendations be embodied into law. H-63, H-65, H-66 and H-69 implementing the objectives were enacted.

**Narcotics.** The women also urged strengthening the laws for controlling narcotics. Seven bills and a constitutional amendment dealing with narcotics were proposed in the legislature. Two bills and the proposed constitutional amendment were adopted. These include SJR-F to amend the Constitution to permit narcotics found by officers to be used in evidence (this will be on November ballot), S-92 and S-144 increasing penalties for selling, administering, using or possession of narcotics.

**Farm Commissions.** Since the annual convention was held last November many issues came up regarding which the delegates had not placed the Michigan Farm Bureau on record. These matters have received careful consideration by the legislative committee of the board of directors. Their recommendations have been referred to the board for definite action on a wide variety of subjects. For instance, the Farm Bureau opposed S-98 which would have abolished the apple commission and S-99 which would have abolished the cherry Commission. Both of these proposals died in committee.

**Dogs.** They also opposed S-170 which would have limited the right of landowner or occupant to impounding instead of killing trespassing dogs and H-161 which would have seriously weakened the dog control law. Both of these bills died in committee.

**Gas Tax Refund.** Favorable action was taken on a proposal that the postmark should establish the date of filing a claim for gas tax refunds for off-the-highway usage.

**Cherry Promotion.** The Michigan Farm Bureau had helped promote the cherry promotional program when it was adopted for a trial period ending December 31, 1953. Support was given to H-178 which removed this termination clause from the act.

**Telephones.** Prevention of abuse of party line telephones was favored by the Michigan Farm Bureau. A bill aimed to (cont. on page 3)

### Along Lines of SJ-Resolution A

A Citizens Committee representing out-state and Wayne county groups will circulate petitions soon for 250,000 signatures for a constitutional amendment to reapportion the legislature in 1953 along the lines proposed in Senate Joint Resolution A.

The amendment would be on the ballot for the election in November, 1952.

This action was taken April 14 at a meeting of the Michigan Industrial Conference at Lansing. The Conference includes out-state and Wayne county business, educational and general groups. The Michigan Farm Bureau, Michigan State Grange and State Ass'n of Supervisors are members.

Senate Joint Resolution A is an effort to achieve a fair balance between Detroit and out-state Michigan upon representation in the legislature. It has been a dispute of long standing.

The state constitution provides that the legislature shall be apportioned each 10th year after 1913 on a basis of population. Some years ago the tremendous growth of Detroit and possible control of Senate and House caused the legislature to take no action on the Senate since 1925. The House was reapportioned in 1943. The Supreme Court by unanimous decision upheld that reapportionment as complying with the constitution.

Powerful political interests in Detroit have demanded apportionment strictly on a basis of population. Among them are the CIO and the American Federation of Labor. Both labor organizations have petitions out for constitutional amendments that would compel reapportionment of the House and Senate strictly on a population basis.

Senate Joint Resolution A provides for a reapportionment of the House on a population basis. It includes the present moiety clause, which assures a county a representative if it has more than half the full ratio set for a representative. SJR-A would district Detroit for the election of Representatives. In Detroit 21 Representatives are now elected at large from a field of 100 or more candidates.

For the Senate, SJR-A provides for representation partially on the basis of area, freezing the Senatorial districts about as they are now.

**UPON INSTRUCTIONS** from the Conference, Chairman C. L. Brody of the Farm Bureau appointed a 17-man Citizens Committee to prepare the petitions and carry on the campaign for signatures and for adoption of the proposed amendment. Mr. Otis Cook of Lansing was named temporary chairman of the Committee.

Members of the legislature and many other citizens attended the Michigan Industrial Conference meeting, and pledged their assistance.

**CHAIRMAN BRODY** said that a satisfactory program must be worked out for fair representation for all persons and interests in the legislature. If the CIO or AF of L of Michigan proposals are adopted, practical control of the legislature will go to two or three of the most heavily populated counties. What is needed is to place before the people an amendment embodying the reasonable principles of Senate Joint Resolution A.

**SENATOR CREIGHTON COLEMAN**, sponsor of SJR-A, said, "We must give to all groups in Michigan the right to act to preserve themselves. The only way is to consider geographic representation in one house of the legislature. "Thirty states have methods for balancing population and geographical considerations in their legislatures. The principle is recognized in Congress in the Senate and House. SJR-A is an application of the system of representation in Congress to the Michigan legislature. "SJR-A failed in the House because its opponents not only want to control the legislature, but they want a reapportionment their way in order to dominate a constitutional convention."

**JOHN JACOBY** of Detroit, an official of the County Road Ass'n of Michigan, said that in this matter it is important to understand Wayne county. "There are large numbers of people in Detroit and Wayne county—captive minorities—who think like out-state Michigan does on reapportionment. They want to be recognized in this fight. If Detroit is districted for

#### New in Dist. 8



CARL KENTNER is the new membership representative for the Michigan Farm Bureau in District 8—Arenac, Bay, Clare, Gladwin, Gratiot, Isabella, Midland and Saginaw counties. Mr. Kentner was organization director for Berrien County Farm Bureau. His home was in Cass county where he was Roll Call Manager one year. In 1950-51 Mr. Kentner was state vice president of the Junior Farm Bureau. D. Eugene Brooks, membership representative in District 8 the past three years, is now assistant in the Blue Cross office for the Saginaw district.

### Emmett Farm Equipment Store Opens

Farm Bureau Services, Inc., announces that another FBS Farm Equipment Branch store has been opened at Emmett, St. Clair county. It is located at Kinney road and Joseph Street.

James Barrow, the manager, said the full line of Co-op Black Hawk farm equipment will be stocked. A complete parts and service department is being set up for all types and makes of farm equipment. Other employees are George Hill and John Healy.

The new branch is under general supervision of Larry Brinker, district manager for the thumb counties area for FBS farm equipment dept' at Lansing.

Other FBS farm equipment branch stores, parts and service departments are at Lansing, Kalamazoo, Mt. Pleasant and Saginaw.

#### South Dakota Style

South Dakota cut its sales tax one-third after paying off bonds issued for a veterans' bonus. The state now proposes to reimburse the government for federal funds used for relief work after a recent blizzard.

### MSC Promotes Varner



Durward B. Varner, left, newly appointed director of the Michigan State College cooperative extension service, receives congratulations from Director Clinton V. Ballard, who will continue as director until September 16.

D. B. VARNER has served as extension specialist in agr'l economics at MSC since May, 1949.

At Michigan State Mr. Varner has become well known for his speeches and articles on public policy problems affecting agriculture.

C. V. BALLARD has been with the MSC extension service since 1915, and director of the service since 1948.

In those years Mr. Ballard has been an able and friendly worker at thousands of meetings of farmers and farm groups where farm programs were under discussion.



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



### Hiram and Martha

#### The Kindly Act

The little casual kindly act shall be my theme today. The acts we take for granted, we forget them when we pray. The attitude of kindness that binds men soul to soul And welds our many separate minds into a social whole.

The general disposition toward tolerance and laughter, That priceless living attribute that all the world is after, The tiny acts of courtesy that take a second's time But linger in the heart a while—of these today I rhyme.

From my old Fourth Grade Language Book this Memory Gem I drew And I should like to quote it here because it is so true: "To do to others as I would that they should do to me Will make me honest, kind and good, as children ought to be."

Oh, not for children only, was that simple precept penned, But for the warm and pure of heart for whom life has no end, And not in big important deeds is its true meaning found But in the constant throbs of love that make the world go round.

That make the world a kindly place, which otherwise were rough; That make our lips curl upward. They curl downward soon enough! That do not rate a "Thank you, Sir" nor any action done But breathe upon that Heavenly spark that lives in everyone.

The casual little kindly act—a greeting or a smile Of understanding sympathy is so much worth our while. We should devote more time to it, is what I mean to say. There's magic in the kindly act—We ought to start today.

R. S. Clark  
315 North Grinnell Street  
Jackson, Michigan

### Fine Speaking Program for Women's Camp

The Women's Camp Committee of N. W. Michigan feel that they have an excellent program planned for this year's Camp Session at Twin Lakes on June 10-11-12.

Speakers include Rep. Charles E. Potter from the 11th District who will speak on Americanism vs. Communism.

Dr. Lois Higgins, a national speaker from the Crime Prevention Bureau in Chicago, will address the Camp.

Mrs. Rogers Bradley of Traverse City, who has worked through the State Department with the German people who toured Michigan last year, will speak on German impressions of the U. S. She is another outstanding speaker.

There will be a delightful tour of the region at no extra cost to the camper.

For further information about the Camp write Mrs. Walter Donner, Traverse City, R. 3, or to the Michigan Farm Bureau, Women of the Farm Bureau, P. O. Box 960, Lansing, Michigan.

The cost for the camp is \$12. Women should take their own bedding, including a pillow. The nights get rather cool. Comfortable clothes should be worn.

If there are women attending the camp who could take passengers, and others who would go if they had transportation, the Michigan Farm Bureau office will be glad to act as a clearing house.

No limit to number of reservations from each county, up to limit of camp. Reservations should be made at once.

### "WHEN THIS FARMER GOES TO MARKET HE COVERS A COUPLE OF THOUSAND MILES!"



"Anywhere from Maine to California, families may sit down to eat good bread made from this wheat of mine. That's because we have railroads - to carry my wheat to the mills and then take the flour anyplace in the country. And in providing this big, wide market for us farmers, the railroads help see that the country's well-fed, too!"

The railroad freight car carries the farmer's rich and varied produce to every corner of America, thus giving him a truly nationwide market.

So it's good news for farmers everywhere that today the average freight train is carrying more freight and carrying it faster than ever before! This is a record that surpasses even the peak of World War II by almost 25%.

Of course this record didn't just happen. In the past six years the railroads have spent over 6 billion dollars on improvements and new equipment of all kinds: 400,000 new and better freight cars - 14,000 new and better locomotives - improved tracks, signals, yards and repair shops.

This continuing billion-dollar-a-year improvement program will enable farmers and railroads to do an even better job of supplying America with the food, feed and fibre it needs to stay strong and free!

### ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN RAILROADS

WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

You'll enjoy THE RAILROAD HOUR every Monday evening on NBC.

### Gratiot County Board



ACTIVITIES of the Gratiot County Farm Bureau of 1160 members are headed by the board of directors above. The photograph was taken at a recent planning meeting at St. Louis.

Back row, left to right: John N. Vance of Alma; Kenneth Thompson of Ithaca; Archie McCallum of Breckenridge; Don Mulholland of Ithaca; Vice-President George Stacey of Riverdale.

Front row, left to right: J. Allan Oberlin of Elsie, President Harrison Burnham of St. Louis, Ed-

ward Hooper of Ithaca, Mrs. Clare Williams of St. Louis, also Women's Chairman for District 8; Mrs. Bernard Green of Wheeler, also chairman of the Women's Committee; Mrs. Arthur Ballinger of Breckenridge, secretary-treasurer, but not a director. Bill Morris of Ithaca, director, and president of the Junior Farm Bureau, was not present for the picture.

Directors Burnham, Stacey and Hooper are the executive committee of the board.

CHAIRMEN of some of the County Farm Bureau committees are board members: Membership, Don Mulholland; Resolutions, Archie McCallum; Community Groups, Mr. and Mrs. John Vance; Publicity, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hooper; Farm Supply, Kenneth Thompson.

Other chairmen of committees are: Junior Farm Bureau, Mrs. Charles Mumford of St. Louis; Blue Cross, Mrs. Bernard Godley of Breckenridge; Legislative, Lester Allen of Ithaca.

### FB Women of 6th District

"Why did you come here today?"

Mrs. Marjorie Karker, state director of Women of the Farm Bureau, put this question to 200 women attending the spring meeting of District 6 Farm Bureau women at Marlette April 22.

They came for information, education and entertainment. Mrs. Karker said there a job to be done in promoting understanding and eliminating misunderstandings, especially between rural and urban groups. Farm women can do much.

Conference meetings of rural and urban women have brought a

better understanding of the production and distribution of food and other rural-urban relationships.

Dan Reed explained the situation on legislative reapportionment. He emphasized the need for the Farm Bureau and other out-state groups presenting citizens with a proposal that is a fair solution to the reapportionment problem.

Mrs. Harry Whittaker, state chairman, reported on her work. She has addressed 35 organizations in recent months as a representative of Farm Bureau women.

Huron county women had charge of registration. St. Clair women were the hospitality committee.

When you sponge a stain from clothing be sure to work from the underside to prevent forcing the stain into the fabric.

### James Reilly to Farm in Europe

James Reilly, Brown City, is one of four rural young people to represent Michigan in the international farm youth exchange program this year.

Jim will leave for Europe sometime in June. He will spend six months working on farms in several countries. In exchange for his services over there, a young man in one of the European countries will be sent to this country. In this way the youth exchange program aims to promote better understanding between nations.

Jim was picked as a delegate on the basis of his outstanding farm record as a Lapeer County 4-H Club member, as a Short Course student, and as a leader in Junior Farm Bureau.

### Community Farm Bureau Activities

MRS. MARJORIE GARDNER

STAR AWARDS  
Gold Star—North Branch Community Farm Bureau, Lapeer county, Miss Charlotte A. Krippener, secretary.

Silver Star—Williams, Bay, Mrs. Howard LeCronier, sec'y.

Silver Star—Thomas, Saginaw, Mrs. Carl W. Miller, sec'y.

Dear Community Farm Bureau Members:

1145 GROUPS. Since the beginning of the new fiscal year 90 new groups have been added. December 1, 41 groups had disbanded. However, 18 of these have been reorganized giving us a total to date of 1145 active Community Farm Bureau groups.

The discussion program is showing a marked improvement over last year's figures. 1045 reported in February representing 95% as compared with the 894 groups reporting last year which was 85%. Total discussions for February this year were 822 or 79% as compared to 661 last year or 76%. Conclusions are also up showing February figures of 808 reporting or 77% as against 581 or 65% for last year at this time. Attendance for February was down this year to 15,397 as compared to 15,780 for last year.

HURON county is the first County Farm Bureau in the state to reach a total of 50 Community Farm Bureau groups. We felt that their achievement should be brought to the attention of the other County Farm Bureaus.

Five years ago Huron county had 34 groups. As the membership grew through this period they have maintained their ratio of one group to every 32 families by the addition of new groups each year. Huron has set a goal of 75 Community Farm Bureaus.

DON KINSEY, director of research and information, reports that the success of the Huron Community Farm Bureau program is due quite largely to the work done by the County Community Farm Bureau Committee.

No paid personnel is involved in the development of Huron's group program. Each committee member has been vitally interested in the project and has given freely of his time. After the organization of a new group, the committee checks the group's progress regularly. As a result, Huron county has not had a single group disband.

Not only does Huron county lead the state in total number of Community Farm Bureaus but it also has an excellent participation record on the part of its members. Their discussion program is one of the strongest in the state.

Hats off to Huron County Farm Bureau for its outstanding Community Farm Bureau activity.

HONORABLE MENTION groups for the month of March are as follows:

Olive No. 2, Community Farm Bureau, Clinton County, Mrs. Ralph Hailed, secretary.

Flushing No. 2, Genesee, Mary Ellen Radle, sec'y.

Gaines, Genesee, Gartha Wykes, sec'y.

Keystone, Northwest Michigan, Mrs. Leonard Watson, sec'y.

South Salem, Washtenaw, Miss Elizabeth LeMaster, sec'y.

### Pastures

Spring is a critical season for pastures. If you graze them too early, you will reduce the amount of forage that can be harvested later in the summer.

### CLASSIFIED ADS

Classified advertisements are cash with order at the following rates: 5 cents per word for one edition. Ads to appear in two or more editions take the rate of 4 cents per word per edition.

#### FOR SALE

RAISE your own evergreen seedlings. Tree prices on request. Taylor Tree Farms, 214 W. 7th Street, Gaylord, Mich. (6-114p)

#### BULBS & PLANTS

CHRYSANTHEMUMS. T w e n t y mixed varieties \$2. Dahila bulbs 15 to 50 cents each. Peonies \$5 dozen. List Free. Roy Laberdy, Laberdy Fruit Farms, Eau Claire, Michigan. (4-21-52p)

#### FARM MACHINERY

30-46 NICHOLS-SHEPARD Separator for sale. Also power binder. In good condition. Cheap. W. F. Leach, Cassopolis, Michigan. Telephone 112F-3. (5-11-52p)

FOR SALE by Sell District: Model A. Cletrac tractor, 16-inch pads, good condition. Oliver marsh plow, Case disc, GMC truck, heavy duty trailer. Total price \$2,500. Write Robert Herbst, Brighton, Michigan. (5-11-52p)

FOR SALE—John Deere Model D Tractor. In good mechanical shape and has excellent rubber. Standard tread. Cranks by hand. Big, powerful tractor that does a lot of work at little cost. Price \$500. Write or call Fred T. Huxtable, Lansing R-1, Michigan. Four miles west of Lansing on Willow road. Phone Lansing 7-3194. (5-11-52p)

#### WOOL PRODUCERS

Shearing Equipment and Sharpening Service. Shearers, Clipmasters, and commercial shearing equipment and parts for sale. Michigan Co-operative Wool Marketing Ass'n, 208 Francis Street, Jackson, Michigan. Phone 3-4246. (3-61-52b)

#### TURKEY POULTS

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# Spring

Turkey poults need help to learn to eat and drink. FEED in small hoppers at eye level helps get them started. SPRINKLE a little granite grit over the mash. SOME growers scatter brightly colored marbles over mash. DIP beak in water to teach them to drink.

Don't crowd poults or chicks. Tests on broilers showed a saving of .41 lbs. of feed per pound of gain when feeding space was doubled. On 1,000 broilers this means savings of 1,640 lbs. of feed. About \$95 at current prices.

- 1-If you raise straight run chicks, market the cockerels and undesirable pullets at 11 to 12 weeks.
- 2-Try our new Farm Bureau Chick Starter 20% protein. It's a Hi-N-R-G feed with lots of antibiotics, B-12 and quality amino acid.
- 3-After 4 to 6 weeks, shift to Mermash 20%, or whichever Mermash you prefer.
- 4-Have you tried our Porkmaker Creep Feed 19% protein while your pigs are on the sow? It really gives them a fast start. You make it this way: 150 lbs. Porkmaker 35%, 200 lbs. Yellow Corn (dry), 75 lbs. Middlings, 75 lbs. Feeding Oatmeal (finely ground rolled oats).
- 5-Don't neglect the cows in the rush of spring work. Milkmaker will help production and health.
- 6-ANTHRAX. Every year cattle and hogs die from anthrax. This year some imported bone meal seems to have carried anthrax spores.
- 7-Farm Bureau dairy and hog feeds are in the clear on anthrax. None of our suppliers of meat scrap, tankage, or bone meal have used any imported bone meal. However, to allay any fears, the Farm Bureau Milling Company is using di-calcium phosphate only as a source of phosphorus. This has been done since April 14, 1952.
- 8-Remember, we depend upon you!

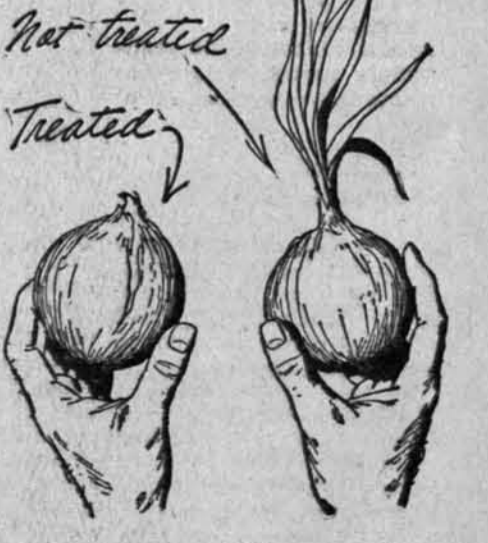
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# Farm Shifts in a Changing World

MRS. EDITH M. WAGAR  
Briar Hill Farm, Carleton, Mich.  
Everybody talks about a "changing world." None of us want to dispute it, especially those of us who have been on our own for a half century or more.

SOME remember "way back when" a tractor was never heard of, nor a manure spreader, a power washing machine, a tile machine, a combine and hundreds of other things we now consider necessities if we are to continue farming.

I've enjoyed these new ideas. They have helped to broaden the thinking of the farmer and make him an equal with other groups.

THERE WAS a time when the majority of folks thought anyone could farm. If there should be a boy who showed no aptitude for any of the professions, if he was dull at school in spelling or in numbers, everybody, even his parents many times, decided he would have to be a farmer.

We've outlived that age. Today the great majority are firmly convinced that it really takes just as much "know how" to make a good farmer as it does for any other profession and sometimes far more.

THERE IS one side to this matter of farming that is just as little understood these days as the intelligence of the farmer was in bygone days.

That is the price the farmer receives for his products.

Naturally consumers do not want to pay any more for the food they eat than they have to. I wonder just what price they feel is fair?

The fact is that they want to eat just what they like best, but

they want to buy it cheap regardless of how much it costs to produce it.

A YEAR or so ago when the farmer was waging a fight against colored oleo as a cheap imitation of butter the consumers' cry was that they needed it because poor folks could not afford butter.

Now they are crying that butter is too high and that the government should take control of it and declare a roll-back in price to meet oleo competition.

I recall a television program about a week ago where two very prominent news reporters discussed with Secretary Brannan the policy of price supports, subsidies and destroying of food stuffs, etc.

NONE of them appeared to know their story too well. But all three of them took the stand that farmers had come from bankruptcy to great prosperity in the last two decades. The re-



porters declared the time had come when milk, butter and meat should be rolled back in price so the poor of the country could have their share of them.

I feel sorry for anyone who does not have necessary food and is not able to earn it, but I hope the consuming public will never expect the farmer to provide public welfare again as we did once for almost a decade.

WE FED the poor, and we fed everyone else at a price that was far below our cost of production. The sad part of it was that the public liked it and has resented a parity price for agriculture.

If the time ever comes again that farmers must supply the people on relief I want the farmer to be made the agency to distribute the food. I am most certain there'd be a system of

"work for what you get."

I'VE BEEN quite disturbed about the future of farming in this locality. This has been quite a dairy section. The automotive and other industries have enlarged to the extent that there is a job for all able bodied men between graduation from school and 65 years. No farmer could pay such wages, so it has been apparent that it was necessary for a farmer to limit his acreage and herds to what he and his growing children and their mother could care for.

No matter if he could get the latest equipment, if there was no one to help, he was stuck right there 365 days of the year.

THERE has been a dropping out of the dairy business in our immediate community until it has become quite the fashion. Several others are contemplating going the way of the 9 farmers already out.

No one can blame them for it really isn't worth the work, the investment and the daily grind.

A TWO-WEEKS' vacation even without pay would be heaven to these farmers. To be sure, they will miss their cows and the milk check, but there's always been a straw that broke the camel's back.

Right now there's a call for farmers to grow sugar beets again. I haven't heard of any who has taken kindly to the proposition.

About the time of World War I, sugar beets were popular in this locality. We had a real war going on. Farmers as well as all others went out to win. Sugar was needed and we knew it was up to us to provide it. But many a man and woman and even growing child impaired their health for doing the hard work required to do the job.

I LIKE farm life and I know many men who have the same feeling but they can't go ahead and operate their farms as they had hoped to. Their fence corners are not cleaned out as of old. They have had to give up to wild lettuce, much as they hated it. Maybe it would be better to do what you can and let the rest go.

I wish I could have a peep into the future, say 50 years hence. What's going to be the farm situation then?

Will Americans be doing the farming?

Will they be regimented into growing only what they are told to grow?

Will the public be under strict rationing and be thankful for anything?

MUST IT come to that or something similar before the consumers wake up to the fact that American agriculture has supplied an abundance of the highest type of food in the world and

would be happy to continue that way?

We are so outstripped in numbers that the only way to bring changes is through a process of education. Let's tell our story as best we can and hope that we'll be heard.

## Farm Bureau In The Legislature

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accomplish this objective, H-134, was enacted.

Practical Nurses. The Michigan Farm Bureau supported S-240 providing for standards and registration of practical nurses. This proposal was enacted.

Water Wells. The Farm Bureau directors opposed S-276 which would have provided for registration and regulation of water well constructors and water pump installers.

Michigan Wheat. The Farm Bureau board favored the intent of S-289 relative to the use of a portion of Michigan wheat in flour for state institutions. This bill passed the Senate, but was defeated in the House. However, the Farm Bureau then promoted a concurrent resolution which was adopted by both branches of the legislature. It calls upon state purchasing authorities to modify their specifications to permit use of not less than 40% of Michigan wheat in flour for state institutional use.

Fertilizer. The Farm Bureau opposed S-300 which provided an inspection fee of 10c per ton on fertilizer. This was defeated in committee.

Tractor-Truck License. One of the bills opposed by the Farm Bureau was H-34 which would have provided a combined \$5 license and 35c per cwt. weight tax on each truck or tractor "owned by a farmer and used

exclusively in connection with the farming operations of such farmer and not used for hire." This was defeated in committee.

## New Book on Livestock

"Livestock Health Encyclopedia," edited by Rudolph Seiden, is a new book which has come to the attention of Farm Bureau Services.

"Woody" Gwinn, field man for FBS feed dept., says it's the best reference book on livestock health, and new ideas for handling troublesome jobs that he has seen. Editor Seiden has examined the latest findings and practical recommendations of some 300 veterinarians, agricultural colleges, livestock producers, manufacturing pharmacists and others. He has classified the information and put it into simple, ready-to-use form for the prevention, recognition and control of the diseases and parasites of cattle, hogs, sheep, goats and horses.

Seiden has gone further by including in his 624-page book complete information on feeds, feed supplements, drugs, disinfectants and insecticides and how to use them. He illustrates new and easier methods for many jobs in working with livestock.

Livestock Health Encyclopedia, \$7.50, is published by Springer Publishing Co., One Madison Avenue, New York 10, N. Y.

## Farm Bureau Life Has Written \$16,750,000

Farm Bureau Life Insurance Company of Michigan has written \$16,750,000 of insurance for some 8,000 Farm Bureau members, says Nile Vermillion, manager. Nearly all is the charter policy. Many have been issued to young people. Policies average \$2,000. The Company has issued

\$14,500,000 in policies and continues with the processing of applications. The charter policy is

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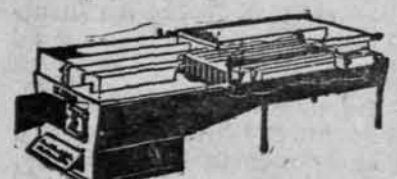
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Blue Cross-Blue Shield have millions of friends!

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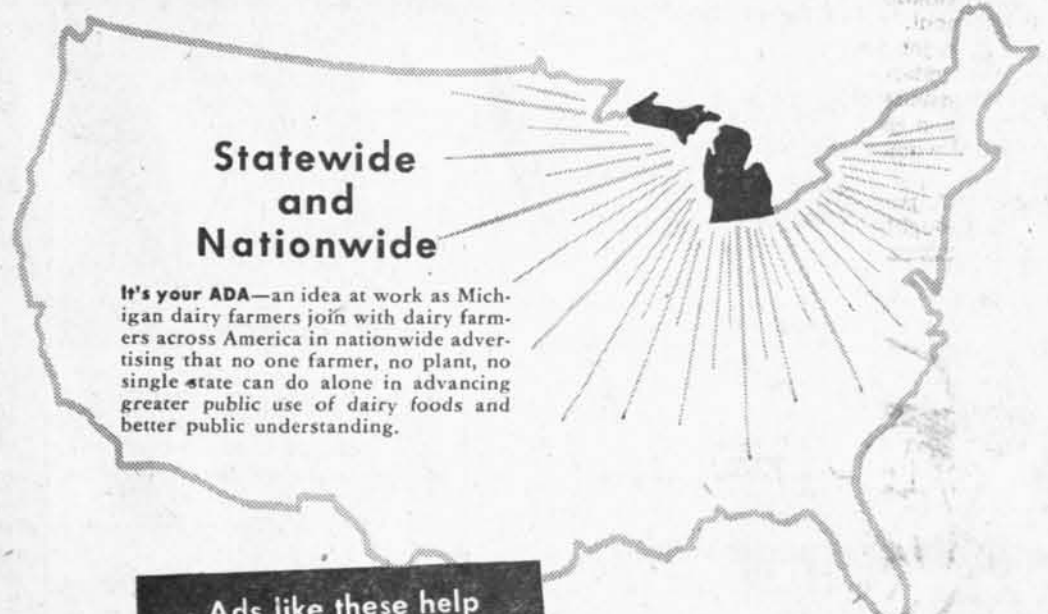
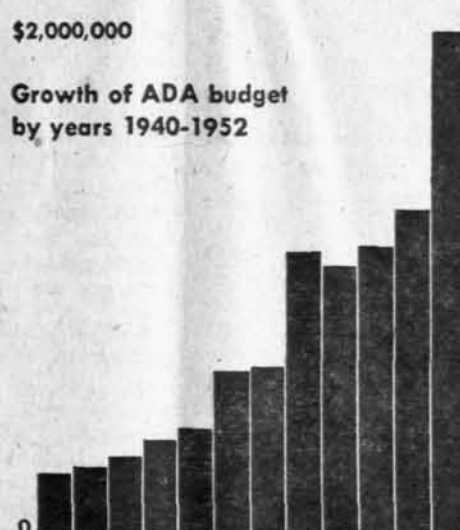
Blue Cross Comprehensive Group Hospital Plan covers up to 120 days of hospital care in ward or semi-private room, according to the service for which you enroll. Unlike plans that pay fixed amounts for hospital care, this plan covers hospital bills IN FULL for a wide range of certificate benefits when you are admitted to a BLUE CROSS participating hospital. No cash limit for drugs, for operating room, for anesthesia, and for many other hospital services.

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Chances are 1 out of 4 that your family will be faced with hospital and medical bills this coming year. And with today's hospital and surgical bills often running into thousands of dollars, it's easy to see how the protection these plans provide is worth many times the little you pay.

# A REPORT TO YOU

## On the progress of your American Dairy Association of Michigan



Statewide and Nationwide

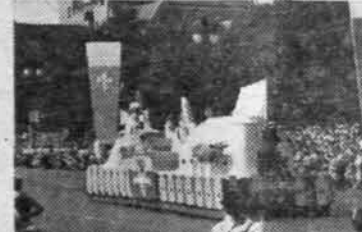
It's your ADA—an idea at work as Michigan dairy farmers join with dairy farmers across America in nationwide advertising that no one farmer, no plant, no single state can do alone in advancing greater public use of dairy foods and better public understanding.

Ads like these help insure profitable markets for you and all of America's dairy farmers

Through your ADA, dairy farmers invest in year-round advertising like this for milk, butter, cheese, cream, evaporated milk, ice cream, dry milk—in leading magazines and newspapers.

Your ADA of Michigan program—In the American Dairy Association of Michigan you are joined with farmers of 39 other states to do for dairying in statewide and nationwide activity. The movement started in six states in 1940. Its growth to 40 states is shown in the chart above.

Nationwide action. Four types of activity—advertising, merchandising, research and publicity—are carried on by ADA to improve the standing of the dairy industry and to promote the sale of dairy products. ADA works in close co-operation with all branches of the dairy industry.



This striking float represented Michigan's dairy industry in Detroit's 250th anniversary parade.

Statewide activity. Your own "Michigan ADA News" promotes the dairy industry to editors and leaders... your own Michigan network radio program covers all Michigan State College athletic events. A rounded program of public relations activity builds good will for dairying, keeps Michigan dairying close to the people of Michigan.

Special action in Michigan. A special feature of the current program was the butter sales test campaign in Detroit during November. Planned for Michigan, to gain facts for future use in all markets of the nation, this test developed unusual results for the future good of butter.



Your ADA of Michigan took a leading part in the annual Michigan Agricultural Conference, representing all Michigan agriculture.

How ADA is managed. A small managerial group maintains the Chicago headquarters; they are ADA's only paid employees. In Michigan as elsewhere, all other officials are elected by the state organizations. These official representatives in turn elect a president and board of directors. All officers, directors and committeemen serve without pay.

ADA of Michigan results. Continuous advertising, plus merchandising events, have built up a proved record of results: greater sales and better income for the producers of the nation's dairy products. The record shows \$12 worth of results for every \$1 invested—proportionately more in leading dairy states such as Michigan. ADA assures and insures future growth and prosperity for dairy farming.



Milk-rich lunches to go on... to grow on

6 Ideas for every mother with children in school

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# Brody Says People Must Act to Protect Themselves

## On Representation In Legislature

Statement by Mr. C. L. Brody to the Michigan Industrial Conference which met at Lansing April 14 to consider re-apportionment of the legislature. Mr. Brody is chairman of the Conference, and executive secretary of the Michigan Farm Bureau.

We are faced with developments that challenge truly representative government in Michigan.

Initiatory petitions are being circulated by the CIO and the American Federation of Labor organization in Michigan to amend our State constitution for a re-apportionment of the legislature.

If either of these proposals should be adopted at the November election, that would enable three or four counties to largely and permanently dominate the legislative interests of people in the other 80 counties.

The constitutional amendments these petitions are designed to accomplish would reapportion representation in the Senate and House of the legislature in proportion to population only. They disregard the geographical and social interests and viewpoints of people in the rural areas and their cities and towns.

We do not regard such a concentration of control of our government in any section of the state as being in the best, long-time interests of the people of Michigan.

Neither do we believe it will best serve the powerful groups who are sponsoring these ill-advised measures.

OUR STATE constitution was established in 1909. The many changes in the political, economic and social status of Michigan people that have taken place since would seem to warrant the consideration of possible amendment at this time.

In our attempts to keep pace with the progress our state has made and bring our fundamental law up to date, our well being demands that we endeavor to blend and harmonize the great variety of interests of all Michigan people in any revision made.

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CLARK L. BRODY

CERTAINLY our great concentrations of labor, industrial, mercantile and professional people deserve to be adequately represented in our state legislature.

The urban conditions under which they live and work involve interests and viewpoints that need to be well and fairly served by our state government.

Of equal importance in formulating constitutional amendments are the human and economic values created by the environment and the people of out-state counties. The interdependence of labor, industry and agriculture is common knowledge. The economic welfare of all three is an important consideration in formulating any change.

WE SHALL fall far short of maintaining good government and retaining our freedom and the American way if we base our political program solely on economics or unduly on the mass population of metropolitan areas of the state.

The eternal human values inherent in every individual citizen must be integrated and

blended with the material interests and aspirations of all Michigan people in any revamping of the fundamental law of our state if truly representative government is to survive.

IF WE determine representation in the state legislature entirely on the basis of numbers of people in each county, we shall largely and permanently practically disenfranchise the citizens in many of the areas of our state so far as the election of the legislature is concerned.

This would make us subject to control by a very few highly organized pressure groups in two or three of the larger populated urban counties.

The same basis of representation would determine the control of any constitutional convention held after the amendment had been adopted. That is, subsequent constitutional conventions could be controlled by the delegates from three or four of our heavily populated counties.

NO AMENDMENT or revision could be made without the approval of these few powerfully dominated areas. Once this is written into our constitution we shall have passed the point of no return.

The strong probability is that enough signatures will be secured to place the CIO and possibly the AF of L amendments on the ballot for the election next November.

WELL INFORMED leaders in the Michigan Industrial Conference feel that such an amendment cannot be defeated by merely opposing it. We strongly recommend that we go to the voters of the state with a positive program. Our best thinking is that Resolution "A" recently passed by the Senate, or some modification of it, constitutes our best approach to the problem.

Briefly, Resolution "A" provides (1) Reapportionment of representation in the House of Representatives on the basis of population, including the moiety provision for fractional representation, and the districting of Detroit where 21 Representatives are now elected at large.

(2) For the Senate, Resolution "A" provides for representation on the basis of area, freezing the Senatorial districts about as they are at present.

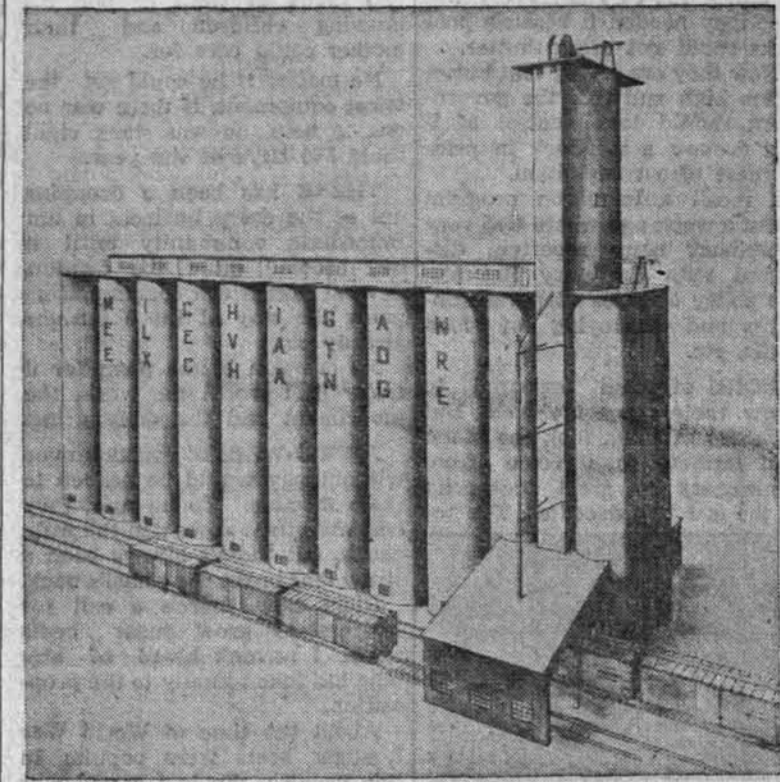
THERE IS considerable sentiment for providing that no county shall have more than 25% to 33% of the total members of the House of Representatives. Others feel that the inclusion of such a provision would be objectionable to Detroit voters to an extent that might prevent getting a sufficient number of signatures in Wayne county. These differences of opinion must be harmonized before we can determine the wording of the amendment to be carried by the petitions we hope to circulate.

AT THE meeting of the Conference in February, there was hope that the House of Representatives might approve Joint Resolution "A" or a modification of it. If the Senate and House could have brought their action on the measure into agreement, this would have placed such an amendment on the ballot next November. Then it would not have been necessary to carry it to the people by petition.

Not enough votes in the House of Representatives could be obtained to secure approval by the legislature. The legislature has now adjourned and there is no possibility of accomplishing this through legislative action.

OUR ONLY recourse is to initiate an amendment like SJ-A by petition and organize a campaign to secure the necessary signatures. About 188,000 voters' signatures will be required. To allow for the names that may be

## Dedicate Exchange Terminal May 15



More than 500 Michigan grain farmers are expected to attend the formal dedication and grand opening of the new 800,000-bushel Michigan Elevator Exchange terminal grain elevator near Ottawa Lake in Monroe county scheduled for May 15, according to James R. Bliss, Exchange general manager.

THEY will represent the 75,000 farmers and 135 local cooperative elevators in the State who

own the Michigan Elevator Exchange as their state-wide grain and bean marketing agency.

Program: 10 to 12 noon open house for inspection; 12 to 1:30 lunch; 1:30 to 2:30 dedication; 2:30 to 4 open house.

WALDO E. PHILLIPS of DeCatur, a grain farmer and president of the Exchange, will preside at the dedication ceremonies and speaking program.

improperly signed or thrown out for other reasons, it is estimated that we should secure nearly 250,000 signatures. The time for action is short. Signatures must be secured and the petitions filed with the Secretary of State on or before July 3.

WE THINK the State Grange, State Association of Supervisors, the Michigan Farm Bureau and other rural organizations can secure 100,000 signatures through their local units by voluntary effort and with little expense.

The method for securing signatures in the larger urban centers will be developed.

If the above suggested program for initiating petitions is approved by this meeting, we should like to recommend that a general Citizens Committee be enlisted to sponsor and carry on the campaign. The committee must include a number of members prominent in the affairs of Detroit and in Wayne and other urban counties.

I WISH to emphasize strongly the composing of any difference of opinion we may have, and the extreme urgency of this meeting acting to get the circulation of the petitions under way.

The situation is such that it is impossible to reach no decision. For, if we let the situation go by default we have by so doing made a decision.

A do-nothing policy would practically mean the eventual permanent disenfranchisement of the people in many of the out-state counties of Michigan.

Even a high proportion of the voters in Wayne county would have less to say about their state government than they have at present. If the amendment proposed on the petition now being circulated by the CIO should be approved by a majority vote next November, the legislature would, in effect, be largely chosen by a state-wide plurality vote. The heavily populated counties with their highly organized groups already have a major influence in electing the Governor on an overall plurality basis.

WITH BOTH the legislative and the executive departments so strongly dominated by the heavily populated limited areas of the state, it would seem inevitable that our traditional system of checks and balances between the legislative and executive departments of our government.

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## Juniors Set Dates For 1952 Camps

The Michigan Junior Farm Bureau will hold its first leadership training camp at Waldenwoods June 15-18. Plans for the camp have been announced by Camp Chairman Clayton Ruggles (Tuscola) and his committee of Becky Wigle (Ingham), Alice Phelps (Lapeer), Rosalie Swagart (Clinton), and Kathleen Ruesink (Lapeer).

Camp will be designed for Junior Farm Bureau members who have never before been to camp. The program will open with a Sunday night vesper service at which Larry Brandon, secretary

of the Indiana Farm Bureau, will speak.

Classes will be offered in organization, program planning, membership participation, and recreation. Staff members will include Michigan State College faculty members and Michigan Farm Bureau personnel.

Camp capacity is 120. Each Junior group is urged to send one boy and one girl. Camp cost will be \$17 for the entire session.

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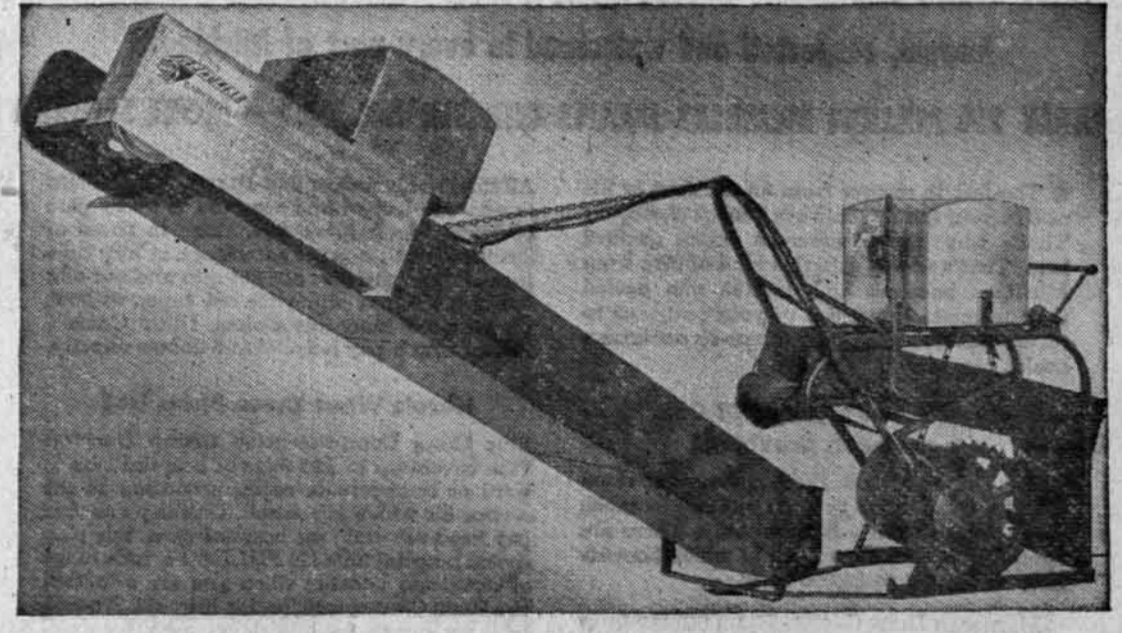
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## ADA Pushing Dairy Sales in May and June

The American Dairy Ass'n is engaged in a nation-wide drive to increase sales of milk and ice cream, starting in May and June.

The ADA announced the campaign at Chicago in April to 400 representatives of the dairy industry, food organizations, the press, radio and TV stations. It is known as the Milk and Ice Cream Festival.

OWEN M. RICHARDS, general manager of the American Dairy Ass'n, said that 15 national magazines will carry special articles and advertising on milk and ice cream during May and June. New and interesting ways to serve ice cream will be stressed in June.

The magazines will include McCall's, Look, Better Homes & Gardens, Good Housekeeping, American Home, Woman's Home Companion.

Seventeen national food organizations, including the National Biscuit Company, General Mills, Log Cabin Syrup, Dole Pineapple, Sunshine Biscuit, and Vermont Maid Syrup, will spotlight the use of milk and ice cream with their products in their national advertising during May and June.

### Farm Population

Forty years ago, 35 percent of the nation's people were on farms compared to only 16 percent now.

Buy Farm Bureau quality feeds.

## Outstanding Event For Farm Co-ops

The 24th annual meeting of the American Institute of Co-operation will be held at Michigan State College August 11 to 14.

The announcement was made by Clarence E. Prentice of Michigan State College, chairman of the Michigan, executive committee for the AIC meeting for 1952. Other members of the executive committee are: Tom Cowden and Arthur Howland of the MSC Agricultural Economics Dept., and Jack Yaeger and Everett Young of the Michigan Ass'n of Farmer Co-operatives.

"Co-operatives—Building for Tomorrow" will be the theme of the Institute meeting in 1952.

The meeting will bring together several thousand representatives of nearly 10,000 farm co-operatives in the United States. Many of these co-operatives and groups of co-operatives have state, regional or national importance in marketing, purchasing and other services for farmer members.

Teachers and extension workers from many agricultural colleges, and representatives from divisions of the U. S. Dep't of Agriculture will attend and take part in the Institute.

Radio, newspapers and farm magazines will send correspondents to report the news from farm co-operatives as revealed in their outstanding educational meeting of the year.

The Michigan Ass'n of Farmer Co-operatives and Michigan State College are co-operating in arranging the program and facilities.

Michigan State College has invited the Institute to the campus for the second time. It was there in 1940. General meetings will be held in the College Auditorium. Commodity and special meetings for many types of co-operatives will be held in other college buildings.

Housing and meals will be provided at Shaw Hall, one of the largest and best college residence halls in the nation.

Among the topics to be discussed at the American Institute of Co-operation August 11-14 will be:

- 1—Meeting Tomorrow's Problems for Farm Co-operatives.
- 2—Membership Relations for Farm Co-operatives.
- 3—Co-operatives and the Public.

General sessions of the Institute will be preceded by the annual meetings of the National Council of Farmer Co-operatives board of directors, and the annual business meeting of the Institute itself. These will be held August 11.

Probably a thousand young people will attend the youth sessions of the Institute. These open with registration Sunday, August 10, and continue through August 12. The young people will have one or more joint sessions with the older group.

## Corn Grower Congratulated



Governor Williams invited Alford Morton of Ypsilanti, Washtenaw County Farm Bureau member, to call at his office to be congratulated upon producing a record yield of corn in 1951. Mr. Morton's crop averaged 103½ bushels of shelled corn per acre for the 50 acre field. With Mr. Morton is his son, Mark.

## Washtenaw Member Sets Corn Record

Alford Morton of Ypsilanti, member of Washtenaw County Farm Bureau, is the corn production king for Michigan in 1951.

Mr. Morton's commercial crop of corn averaged 103½ bushels of shelled corn for 50 acres. Four acres of the prize field averaged 112½ bushels per acre.

The Morton farm is in a program of grass land farming started seven years ago. The crop was grown on land built up by plowing under alfalfa and ladino clover. 300 lbs. of 3-12-12 fertilizer was applied with the corn.

Mr. Morton is a member of the Michigan Crop Improvement Ass'n and the Michigan Foundation Seed Ass'n. He is also discussion leader for the Tuttle Hill Road Community Farm Bureau group.

## People Must Act to Protect Themselves

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ment would be greatly weakened or become entirely ineffective.

STATE government under the domination of any special group must be prevented if the individual citizen is to remain free. The proposal to reapportion the representation in both Houses of the state legislature entirely on a population basis fits perfectly into the centralization of power policies so prevalent in our national government.

## 100% Parity Could Become a Trap

"Thinking farmers know the proposal for 100% of parity price support is a trap," President Allan Kline of the American Farm Bureau told Congress April 18. "If farmers should take the lure, it is inevitable that the rest of the population will insist upon price ceilings at 100% of parity. This means the government will control prices and production."

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## '52 Committee On Resolutions

President Carl Buskirk has appointed the following Farm Bureau members to serve on the Michigan Farm Bureau Resolutions Committee for annual meeting November 13-14, 1952.

- District 1—John Handy, Sodus.
- District 2—Dean Pridgeon, Montgomery.
- District 3—Mrs. Roy Furstenua, Richmond.
- District 4—Mrs. Chas. A. Timpson, Alto.
- District 5—Bruce Granger, Webberville.
- District 6—Anthony Kreiner, Brown City.
- District 7—Russell Gingrich, Reed City.
- District 8—Gleason Halliwill, Gladwin.
- District 9—Glenn Robotham, Beulah.
- District 10—Joseph Rabideau, Cheboygan.

Members of the legislative committee of the Michigan Farm Bureau board of directors also serve on the resolutions committee. They are: Harry Norris, Casnovia. Kenneth E. Johnson, Freeland. James Mielock, Whittemore.

The state resolutions committee will hold its first meeting in mid-summer.

## Voorhis Speaks to St. Clair-Macomb Group

"Cooperatives operated by their customer patrons are the middle road between the trends toward monopolies in business and business controlled by the state. We need the influence of cooperatives."

This statement was made by Mr. Jerry Voorhis, president of the Co-operative League of the USA to 250 members and guests of St. Clair-Macomb Consumers Cooperatives at Richmond April 28.

St. Clair-Macomb serves a large membership with petroleum products, feeds, seeds, fertilizers, and operates a food locker plant.

## New Distributor In Lenawee County

Farm Bureau Services Farm Equipment Dept. has announced that Beecher Road Farm Supply, M-34, four miles west of Adrian, has purchased the farm equipment inventory of Charles Ruesink Farm Supplies and will be the distributor. Bud Arbutckle, manager of Beecher Farm Supply, plans to carry the full line of Co-op Black Hawk farm equipment and maintain a large parts and service dept. Charles Ruesink will continue as distributor for Farm Bureau seeds, fertilizers and other supplies.

## Roll Call Goal Getters' Dinner

Representatives of 43 County Farm Bureaus who made 100% or more of their goal in the 1952 membership roll call attended the membership victory dinner at Michigan State College May 1. Mr. Romeo E. Short, vice president of the AFBF and president of the Arkansas Farm Bureau spoke. Those present included the Roll Call managers, FB district representatives, and Farm Bureau directors from the winning counties.

## Livestock Officers

Arthur J. Ingold of Blissfield has been re-elected president of the Michigan Livestock Exchange by the directors. Allan Rush of Romeo was re-elected vice president, and Gerald Brian of Hartland, sec'y-treas.

## 30,000 Policyholders

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# Liquor and Narcotics Laws Are Under the Spotlight

## Community Farm Bureau Discussion Topic for May

Background Material for Program This Month by Our Community Farm Bureau Discussion Groups

DONALD D. KINSEY  
Director of Research and Education

What reader has not been shocked and alarmed by the revelations of drug addiction among young people, increasing crimes of violence, and shocking auto accidents?

The newspapers, magazines, radio and television programs bring these things home to us. A moral citizenry cannot turn its back on these things and say, "It is no problem of mine."

"Dope Rings in the High Schools", "Death on M-24", "Filling Station Robbery and Killing"—all these things are hooked up to the fact that youth have found access—sometimes easy access—to "dope" and to alcohol!

Many of our state lawmakers became concerned about these matters. On the record of action being taken in the legislature, the dope problem hit the lawmakers harder than the alcohol problem. But read such an article as "Death on M-24", Saturday Evening Post of April 5th. Maybe easy-to-get alcohol is a serious problem, too!

Please notice—not all these crimes are to be laid to teen-agers. The spread, however, seems to take place at that age level.

**I. Narcotics.** Dope peddling rings are operating among the youth of Michigan. This is the finding of the Michigan legislature's committee on narcotics problems. The activities of these dope rings have centered mainly in the larger cities, but could possibly spread toward rural areas.

"Dope" is obtainable in almost any of the larger cities of Michigan, if we accept the word of addicts who have been taken by the law. They do not get it from licensed drug handlers or doctors. Outlaw dope-peddling rings vend the stuff at outrageous prices to slaves of the habit.

The drug traffic actively promotes all possible increase in the number of drug users. This racket brings in millions of blood money yearly from enslaved addicts. The illicit use of narcotics has increased in the past few years 200% to 300%, says the narcotic committee of the legislature. Most of this increase is among the youth of the state.

**THE DRUG** traffic, taking advantage of the inexperience and thrill-seeking impulsiveness of youth, has been cultivating this profitable field to insure future business and continued profits. Evidence shows that one addict will create from one to five other addicts within a year. All of these people become worthless to themselves and a positive danger to all society.

Addicts will do anything to obtain drugs, including crimes of violence, theft, prostitution, and even murder. Many of them require as much as \$100 a day to feed their craving, and the need is overpowering! Many drugs excite a person to violent action for no other cause whatever. Such is one of the effects of marijuana.

**THE NARCOTICS** committee of the legislature feels that Michigan lacks laws with sharp teeth to check this traffic. They recommend very harsh and severe prison sentences for the illicit sale of drugs. They call for closer police control—federal, state, and local—to check and remove the dope peddler from his clandestine market place.

In the present session of the legislature, numerous bills dealing with narcotics were introduced in the Senate and the House. A few examples:

1. House Bill 167 would have made it compulsory to teach school courses on the effects of alcohol and narcotics on health,

character and citizenship. The bill died in committee.

2. House Bill 288 to add marijuana to the list of drugs covered by the state narcotics laws. It would also make the State Health Commissioner (rather than the Federal Treasury) the authority for designating the various drugs controlled under the laws of the state. This bill passed the House, but died in the Senate Judiciary Committee.

3. Senate Bill 144 would have made the illegal sale and dispensing of narcotic drugs punishable by a prison sentence of not less than 20 years and up to life. Some opposition to the mandatory 20-year sentence was expressed in debate by legislators who felt that the courts should have more discretion in the sentencing of convicted sellers. It was pointed out that a school child might sell a single marijuana cigarette, and the judge would have no alternative but a 20-year minimum sentence. The bill was amended to give more discretion in sentencing, particularly in the case of first offenders. It would make illegal possession of drugs punishable by a prison sentence of from one year to life, with 5 years to life for a second offense.

Addicts, themselves, are subject in this bill to one year imprisonment or a fine of not more than \$2000, or both. Psychiatric and medical care is recommended. Such care is to be given

while sentence is being served. S-144 would provide also for the confiscation of any vehicle used for transporting of illicit drugs. Both Senate and House adopted identical versions of the bill.

4. Senate Bill 92 passed both the Senate and the House. It would make it a felony for any person, licensed or not, to make an illegal sale of a narcotic drug. For such illegal sale the penalty would be 5 to 20 years and an added fine of not more than \$5,000. Druggists, doctors, etc., selling drugs except as prescribed by law would be subject to this penalty.

5. Senate Joint Resolution F also passed the Senate and the House. It will be on the ballot this fall as a proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State.

The Resolution would make it lawful to carry out a search and seizure for narcotic drugs under proper warrant, and would permit the presentation of such drugs as proper evidence in the various courts of the state. The law would not change the present status of the search and seizure guarantees of the State Constitu-

tion. It merely adds narcotics to a list of other items like bombs, weapons, and brass knuckles that may be admissible as court evidence.

**II. LIQUOR LAWS.** Rather less activity has taken place in the legislature to put teeth into the liquor control laws. It is a fair question to ask what teeth are lacking, or where more teeth are needed. Those arguing for more control state the following problems:

Some of the strongest objections to present laws center in the defects of the packaged beer and wine license situation. It is pointed out that alcoholic beverages are too easily obtainable to minors under Specially Designated Merchants licenses.

**SPECIALY** Designated Distributor licenses permit the sale of hard liquors. Specially Designated Merchant licenses permit the sale of packaged beer and wine. Many groceries, drug stores, and even filling stations have a SDM license. In the grocery or super-market beer and wine can be tossed in with a grocery purchase.

There are so many of these

SDM licensed outlets in the state that policing them is impossible. Where violations have been found, the State Commission has been too light in its penalties, according to the complaints.

**IT IS HELD** that more of the violators should lose their licenses. They are supposed to check on age as closely as regular barkeepers, but in the rush of the busy hours it is a nuisance to stop and examine a youth's credentials.

Michigan has only about one-third as many enforcement officers as Pennsylvania, for example, to police licensed SDD and SDM dealers. Most of Michigan's liquor inspectors spend their time checking on applicants for new licenses or transfers of license, rather than in checking illegal sales or enforcement. Very little work is done in this direction in the state.

**GROCERS,** druggists, etc., are less apt to be concerned if they do lose their license than is a tavern keeper. If the tavern keeper loses his license, he loses his whole business. But the storekeepers can fall back on their general business. Thus they have

less reason for carefully checking the legality of their sales.

**MICHIGAN RETAIL** Grocers Association realizes the seriousness of the condition. It has urged grocer-members to use care in enforcing the law at the sale source. The dealers have been reminded of the link between juvenile delinquency, and the illicit sale of alcoholic beverages. By conscientious checking, grocers can help very materially to cut off the free flow of beer and wine to the minors.

Senator Harold M. Ryan of Detroit, seeking to curb the practice of young people of drinking beer or wine with night-driving (or day-driving, for that matter), introduced a bill into the Senate (S-146). This bill would make it unlawful for a minor to possess knowingly or to transport any alcoholic beverage in any motor vehicle. It would not apply where the youth is employed by a licensed dealer during the normal hours of his employment.

**THE STRONGER** concern shown by the legislature in liquor matters seems to have been with problems of licensing,

inspection, and technical personnel problems.

**Questions for Group Consideration**  
1. Examine the Specially Designated Merchants liquor license problem. Is there a serious lack of control over sales of alcoholic beverages to minors through this channel?

2. What steps should be taken,

if any, to gain more effective control over the sale of beer and wine to minors?

3. Do you agree with the legislature's committee on narcotics problems that making the penalties for illegal sale of drugs very severe will help to stop this traffic?

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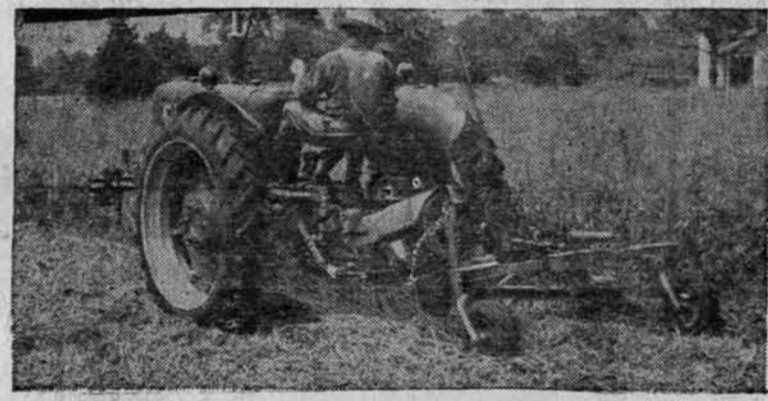


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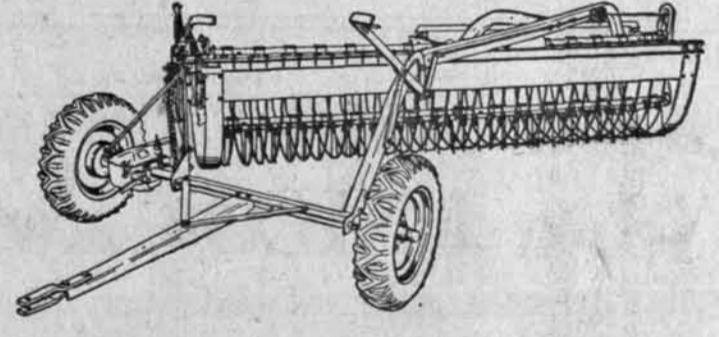
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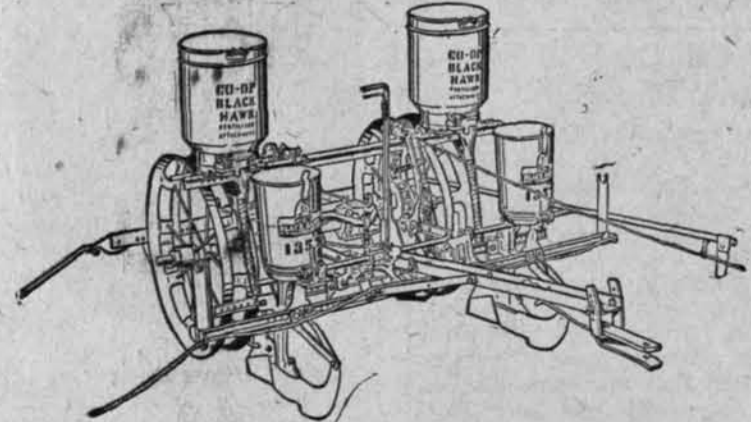


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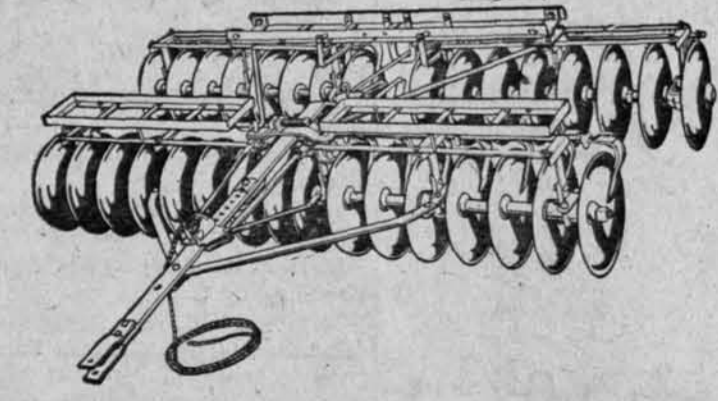


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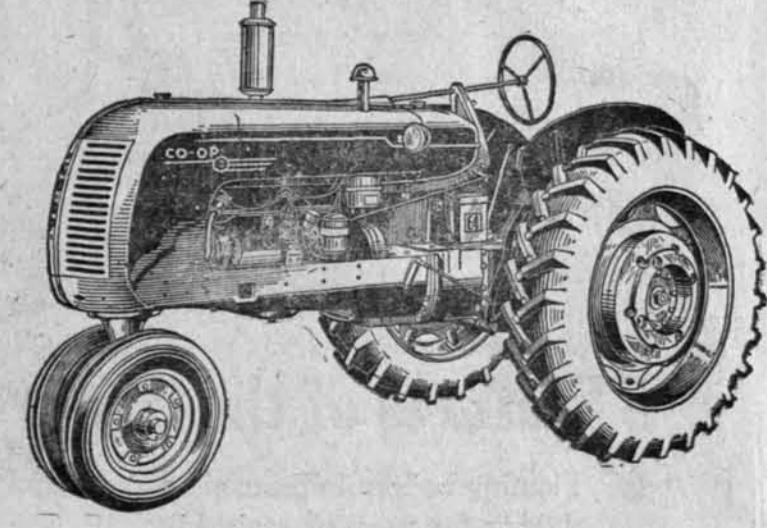
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## Discussion Topics

They were chosen by your State Discussion Topic Committee from the results of the Questionnaires Returned by the Community Groups

- May Do We Have Adequate Laws Controlling the Narcotics and Liquor Trades?
- Jun. Can We Keep the Schools Free from Political Control?
- Jul. How Can We Improve Markets for Farm Commodities?
- Aug. How Can Michigan Balance Its State Budget?

Be sure to read your discussion topic articles on this Page of the Michigan Farm News each Month. Attend your Community Group meetings!

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