

FIRST 1924 WOOL WILL BE SHIPPED FROM EATON CO.

Local Mich. Wool Growers
Ass'n Men Set May 15
As the Day

GOES TO COLUMBUS, O.

Where We are Working With
Ohio Wool Growers
Sales Agency

First carloads of wool to go into the Michigan State Farm Bureau's 1924 marketing arrangement with the Ohio Wool Growers' Association at Columbus, will be shipped from Charlotte, Eaton county, about May 15.

It is also announced, as a result of the Eaton Wool Growers' meeting held at the Eaton County Farm Bureau, Charlotte, April 8, that May 15 is the closing date for accepting 1924 Eaton County wool marketing contracts to the Michigan Wool Growers' Co-operative Marketing Association. Growers everywhere should ask their local County Farm Bureau or the Farm Bureau Wool Dept. at Lansing for these contracts.

In the development of the 1924 marketing plan the Farm Bureau is assisting Michigan wool growers to organize themselves into a Wool Growers Marketing Association in full charge of the marketing arrangement, which will be the case this year. Every man signing the marketing contract becomes a member of the Michigan Association and has a vote in deciding its policies.

Interest Is Keen

A great deal of interest was shown at the Charlotte meeting in the marketing arrangement with the big Ohio Wool Growers Association which already has under contract this year 3,000,000 pounds or more. This arrangement features a growers' contract. None will be served but signers of that contract. There is a guaranteed handling charge of 2.75 cents per pound, half a cent more to non-Farm Bureau members, and a cash advance of about 75% at time of consigning the wool. A number of contracts were signed at the Charlotte meeting and quite a few of those in attendance took contracts home to put before their neighbors.

April 8 another wool meeting, for Shiawassee county, was held at the Armory, Owosso, through the Shiawassee County Farm Bureau. A number of contracts were signed and others were taken home for consideration by neighbors.

At both meetings J. F. Walker, manager of the Ohio Wool Growers' Association, explained the Ohio Association's marketing record, its facilities and answered questions on Michigan's participation in the arrangement. He is speaking at various points throughout the state.

Application Blank in News
Farm Bureau members throughout the state are making good use of the WOOL GROWERS coupon application for wool marketing agreements, published in this issue of the Farm Bureau News. When a grower signs one of these coupons, he is sent copies of the marketing agreement for his signature and wool bags for his clip. He then awaits shipping instructions from the Farm Bureau.

The Michigan Wool Growers' Co-operative Mktg. Ass'n's wool marketing agreement and organization agreement were published in full in the March 28 edition of the Farm Bureau News. Later the closing date for acceptance of these contracts will be published in the News. After that date no more contracts will be accepted.

Michigan wool growers are developing a wool marketing ass'n which has behind it the experience of some five years of development of the Ohio Wool Growers Ass'n, several years of the Michigan State Farm Bureau's work. The new Ass'n will step into a full enjoyment of the successful co-operative wool marketing procedure that has been attained.

Receiving Wool at Ohio Ass'n Warehouse

Columbus, O., April 10.—More than 100,000 lbs. of new wool have been received at the farmer-owned warehouse at Columbus for co-operative sale, officials of the Ohio Wool Growers Ass'n announce. Wyandot County producers were first to send in a carload of new wools for this year's pool.

Many of the wools received to date have been trucked in from the territory near Columbus. Carload lots from other Ohio counties and from the wool growers' ass'ns of Indiana and Michigan are expected to arrive within the next few weeks.

Average farm wages in the Eastern North Central States last year were \$39.41 a month with board, compared with \$38.35 in 1922.

Success Is Reward of Lively Marine City Co-op Elevator

Hustling Co-op Buys Larger
Quarters to Handle
Its Business

Marine City, April 9.—Success continues to crown the efforts of the Marine City Farmers Co-op Elevator in St. Clair Co., a live farmers' organization, developed with the aid of the St. Clair County Farm Bureau. Marine City Co-op Elevator has just bought an additional property in the Alonzo Arnold mill, which it is going to convert into a modern elevator, to be ready about July 1.

The Arnold mill is located on the Belle river, which gives the co-op 300 feet river dockage, a great business advantage, especially in hand-



JOHN VOLKER
Pres., Marine City Farmers Co-op
Elevator

ling coal. It will also have direct rail facilities by construction of 100 feet of new siding to the mill. The building is 40x60 and the property includes enough additional land so that the Ass'n has plenty of room for the requirements of the future.

PLENTY GOING ON IN RADIO WORLD

A. F. B. F. Broadcasts National Program; Listen for
M. A. C.

Chicago, April 8.—American farmers' greatest farm meeting was held throughout the nation tonight when from 7:30 to 8:30 o'clock the American Farm Bureau Federation broadcasted from station KYW, Chicago, a Farm Bureau community meeting, estimated to have been heard by 200,000 Farm Bureau homes and community gatherings within a 500 mile radius of Chicago. Also by thousands of other farmer "listeners in" in other states. National Secretary John W. Coverdale presided over the program of short addresses and musical entertainment. The American Farm Bureau at 58 E. Washington St., Chicago, will appreciate postcards and comments from those who heard the program.

Coming Programs

The American Farm Bureau will broadcast from station KYW, Chicago, 536 meters, Tuesdays, at 8:20 Cent. Stand. Time, as follows:

April 15—"The Farmers' Taxes," by H. W. Moorhouse, director of research, American Farm Bureau Federation.

"A Home You Love to Live In," by K. J. T. Ekblaw, Portland Cement Association.

April 22—"The Farm Horse Situation," by Ellis McFarland, secretary, Percheron Society of America. Address by L. A. Rumsey, American Institute of Baking.

M. A. C. Spring Radio
Every Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock Cent. Stand. Time the Mich. Agr'l College station WKAR, 360 meters, will broadcast music, entertainment and one short address on timely subjects.

WEXFORD FARMER SAYS BUREAU SEEDS PAY

Cadillac, April 2.—Edward Brehm, manager of the local co-operative marketing association, says he made \$1,000 last year using alfalfa seed purchased through the Farm Bureau instead of just ordinary seed. He bases his contention on the fact that he was able to harvest a crop worth \$1,000 more than farmers who used common seed.—Article in GRAND RAPIDS PRESS of April 2, 1924.

SAVE \$10,000

Farm Bureau members of Red River Parish, Louisiana, have saved more than \$10,000 on fertilizer purchases through the Bureau purchasing department.

Operates a Branch
Marine City Elevator operates a branch elevator at New Baltimore and has a rapidly growing business. It intends to use its present headquarters at Marine City as a warehouse. At the rate of business increase shown during recent months the Marine City outfit expects to be handling a million dollar business before many moons have come and gone.

Last year in its June 1, 1923, edition, the Michigan Farm Bureau News said of the Marine City Co-op Elevator in an article showing the great work being done by the St. Clair County Farm Bureau along marketing, drainage, alfalfa, crop improvement, club work, poultry management and farm engineering lines:

"The Marine City Co-operative Elevator, which started business in July, 1922, was organized largely by the County Farm Bureau and is giving great service to members in southern St. Clair county. The Co-op has 275 members and up to May 1, 1923, has done a business of \$136,136.60 in marketing and buying supplies. Its business averages \$22,000 a month. It has bought an elevator at New Baltimore and thus serves the whole south end of the county."

The Men in Charge

L. Thomas, Sr., is the manager of this husky young co-op, which is now doing a business of about half a million dollars annually. John Volker of Marine City is president of the ass'n. He is also a member of the Executive Committee of the St. Clair County Farm Bureau.

The Marine City Elevator is a member of the Michigan Elevator Exchange, handles a lot of grain and some beans for its members, and puts it all through the Elevator Exchange. The ass'n also handles the full line of Farm Bureau seeds, Farm Bureau Milkmaid, poultry feeds, mill feeds and other commodities purchased for it by the Farm Bureau Purchasing department.

ALSIKE CLOVER LOOKS VERY GOOD

Is Lowest Priced and Most
Economical Legume
This Spring

Meet Mr. Alsike Clover, the cheapest and one of the best legumes on the market today, says the Farm Bureau Seed Dept. The price of alsike is much lower than any of the other clovers or the alfalfa.

"For anyone whose rotation will permit, this is a good time to start with alsike clover; alsike is decidedly a good proposition," said J. W. Nicholson, manager of the Farm Bureau Seed Department.

The alsike is very good this year. Furthermore, it is worth noting that alsike contains about three times as many seeds to the pound as red clover. That means that the same weight of alsike will sow about twice as much ground as a similar weight of red clover. Alsike is commonly sown 4 to 6 pounds to the acre, red clover 8 to 10 lbs. Alsike ranks high as a leguminous forage crop and of all the common clovers it is best adapted to a wide range of soils and moisture conditions. It is especially adapted to low, heavy land. The Farm Bureau is putting out an excellent brand of alsike this spring which members may secure at their local co-ops in the regular Farm Bureau Brand bushel, half-bushel and peck sacks.

E. E. COMPSON IS MICH. LIVE STOCK EXCH. MGR.

Detroit, March 28.—At a meeting of the new Board of Directors of the Michigan Live Stock Exchange, held here today, E. E. Compson of Lansing was re-engaged as manager of the Michigan Live Stock Exchange field work. Mr. Compson has been manager of the Michigan Live Stock Exchange since its organization six years ago.

The Exchange today is an organization of some 234 shipping ass'ns with its own co-operative commission house at Detroit stockyards, the Michigan Live Stock Exchange Commission Merchants, and is affiliated with Ohio and Indiana Live Stock Exchanges in the operation of the successful Producers Co-operative Commission Ass'n at Buffalo yards. The Detroit house averages more than 100 carloads of live stock weekly and the Producers at Buffalo often handle 200 or more cars weekly. Both have made good in getting the top of the market for their patrons. Both have paid their patrons patronage dividends, totalling \$7,000 and \$10,224, respectively. Both owe their being to the Michigan Live Stock Exchange.

FRED SMITH TELLS SERVICES GIVEN BY POTATO EXCHANGE

Assembles, Grades, Sells, and
Guarantees Returns For
Members

HAS PRO-RATED \$50,000

Finances Strong; Is Farmers'
Protection Against Low
Price Raids

BY H. L. BARNUM

The Michigan Potato Growers' Exchange is not only a big sales organization—finding markets, making sales and collecting the returns for potatoes sold by it; but it is a general service agency which the growers created when they federated the hundred or more local potato shipping associations a few years ago, according to Fred Smith of Elk Rapids, Vice-President of the organization and, at present, Acting Manager.

"For all sales made," says Mr. Smith, "the exchange deducts eight cents a hundred weight to cover cost of selling, educational and publicity work and insurance. Not all of this deduction is needed at all times, and the excess above actual expenses has amounted to \$100,000 in the five years of our operations. Half of this amount has been retained by the Exchange as necessary working capital and half has been rebated to the local associations annually in the form of patronage dividends."

Cadillac Stands for Quality
When asked to name some of the other services of the Exchange, Mr. Smith continued—

"In the first place," he said, "in line with our immediate purpose, we make the very best sales possible. Our sales manager is daily and hourly in contact with the leading potato markets of the whole country. Our two grades of potatoes have always been enough better than the stuff shipped by dealers so that the best buyers now come our way. In filling orders for particular customers, brokers in the large cities of the South and East always wire Cadillac for quotations. The generous number of inquiries which now come to the Exchange makes it possible to select our customers with unusual care."

"But aside from the sales service furnished by the Exchange many other services are rendered to our members and the local associations. Of course, we guarantee and make all collections on sales. We handle all cases of rejections, whatever the cause, and make suitable allowance, or divert the cars, according to the merits of each case. Small shippers, in case of rejections, are often unmercifully skinned by crooked distributors, but the losses in this respect by a strong organization like the Exchange are very small. We also enter and collect all railroad claims, handle all legal and legislative matters which concern our organization, carry an insurance fund to cover unavoidable losses and give our members the latest and best information regarding crops and markets."

"Besides all of these services," concludes Mr. Smith, "we furnish our locals with many necessary supplies, lend them money when they need it, and see that they are properly supplied with cars for shipping. The Exchange gives its members a dozen kinds of service which they would never get, and would not expect from the ordinary potato dealer."

Announce S. M. Powell As Ass't to Mr. Brody

April 8 the State Farm Bureau Board of Directors confirmed the appointment of Stanley M. Powell as Assistant Secretary of the State Farm Bureau. He will assist Mr. C. L. Brody, secretary, general manager and treasurer, with his work. Mr. Powell is known to the membership as assistant editor of the Farm Bureau News and special legislative correspondent for the Farm Bureau. In both positions of responsibility he has served well. He will continue to be interested in the News and Legislative dept's in connection with his new duties. Mr. Powell is an able speaker. Wherever he has talked on the Farm Bureau's part in legislation or on other Farm Bureau matters, he has shown such knowledge of conditions that in every instance return speaking dates have been sought. This arrangement will allow Sec'y Brody further opportunity for study and development of the great Farm Bureau Seed, Wool, Purchasing, Traffic, Produce Exchange and other business dept's.

More than 47,000 cars of eggs are annually transported by rail.

Sen. Connelly Tells Why Mich. Needs a Gasoline Tax

WILL INTEREST PATRONS OF THE PRODUCE EXCH.

Letter Gives Poultry Tips;
Facts About Egg Cases,
Veal Helps

Detroit, April 10.—Patrons and prospective member patrons of the Farm Bureau Produce Exchange at 2610 Riopelle Street, Detroit, will appreciate the answers to a number of shipping questions which appear in a letter sent recently to a shipping member by the Exchange. Excerpts from the letter follow:

"Would suggest that you ship your poultry alive, as dressed poultry sometimes arrives in bad condition at this time of the year and the market is not so strong for dressed poultry. We are specializing in live poultry and we will be able to give you the top of the market on any shipments you may give us."

About Eggs
"We will be only too glad to handle your eggs for you. In shipping eggs would suggest that you ship in 30 dozen cases. We do not return egg cases as they are included in the sale of the eggs, but we can secure you good second hand egg cases in lots of 50 and over for 30 cents each, delivered to your express station."

"In making shipments of veal to us, and to get the top market price, be sure they are dressed properly. Remove the heart and lungs and do not disturb the fat on the kidneys. Hang the veals up by the hind legs and wipe them out with a clean damp cloth and let them thoroughly cool before shipping. Would suggest putting a piece of heavy paper inside the veal as this will act as a blotter and absorb such moisture which may be in the veal."

The Farm Bureau Produce Exchange is at your service in the marketing of poultry, eggs and veal. Write to the Exchange at 2610 Riopelle Street, Detroit, for shipping tags and any special information you may need. It is the only farmer-owned, co-operative sales agency on the Detroit produce market. Farm Bureau members are finding it very satisfactory.

TOAD WORTH \$19 AS CUTWORM FOE

Besides He's Rough on Many
Kinds of Harmful
Insects

During May, June and July, the three months of greatest activity of toads, it is estimated that each toad will destroy 360 beneficial insects and 9,720 harmful ones. Although cutworms form but 16 per cent of a toad's diet, the value of his services in destroying cutworms alone equals \$19.44 per year.

This figure is obtained by allowing one cent for each cutworm eaten, since many gardeners offer their children a similar sum for each one destroyed.

Some idea of the toad's appetite for insects may be had from the fact that one was known to have eaten 34 grown celery caterpillars in three hours.

Spring Is Here; What About Home Plans for Summer?

It's Remarkable How Easily
Some Beautiful Results
May be Attained

BY MRS. EDITH M. WAGAR
Chairman, Farm Bureau Home and
Community Work

Spring time seems to me to be the best time of the year to take an inventory of our advantages from the viewpoint of appearance.

Every farm represents some investment, some not a very large sum while others run up into many thousands of dollars. If these sums were invested into city property, generally speaking, they would be made to show their greatest possible value by tidiness to the extreme.

During my younger days, I heard much about the "brown stone fronts" of the city but did not see the reason for it until I began to realize that those people knew it paid them well to keep up a good appearance. A "good front" was their greatest asset.

What About Ourselves?
And what kind of a frontage do we farm people boast of—is it in keeping with our investment? Have

Notice to Old Members

All old members who have not had opportunity to join up again in the second membership campaign may secure membership agreements and notes by writing the Michigan State Farm Bureau Organization Dept., Lansing. Keep in good standing and don't miss an issue of the Farm Bureau NEWS. Old membership subscriptions to the NEWS are expiring and the list is being confined to the renewals and new members. For information, write the Organization Dept.

RATES ON PARCEL POST IN DANGER

Move on Foot in Congress to
Boost Farmers' Mail
Costs Alarmingly

Among the measures now being advocated in Congress which should be watched with great interest by American farmers are several bills which raise the salary of postal employees and which propose to provide the necessary increase in funds by raising to a startling extent the rates on fourth class matter and on parcel post. In calling the attention of Farm Bureau members to this proposed legislation, Mr. Gray Silver, Washington Representative of the American Farm Bureau Federation says:

"Farmers, of course, are the class that use the parcel post most and they are also heavy users of the fourth class mail privilege. The fact that the parcel post rate is raised by the Kelly-Paige bills from five cents a pound for the first zone to 15 cents a pound and two cents more for each additional pound has just begun to be known in the country and wherever it is known the farmers are writing to their Congressmen protesting against any such proposal. The bill would add 3, 4, and 5 cents with each additional pound or fraction thereof for the 2nd, 3rd and 4th zones, respectively."

"In the case of fourth class matter mailed for local delivery, which, of course, is of immense interest to farmers, the bill proposes to charge 10 cents a pound or fraction thereof and one cent for each additional pound. The present rate varies from five to 10 cents per pound for weights ranging from one to 10 pounds. In regular fourth class matter, upon which is now paid one cent for each two ounces or fraction thereof for parcels weighing 8 ounces or less, it is now proposed to carry one cent an ounce for all matter weighing under nine ounces and a charge "by the pound" will be made for heavier articles."

Pres. Bradfute Will Represent U. S. at Rome

Chicago, April 10.—O. E. Bradfute, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, has accepted an invitation to represent the United States as a delegate to the International Institute of Agricultural Assembly in Rome, Italy, May 2 to 10.

Spring Is Here; What About Home Plans for Summer?

We an ideal that we are working to—or are we letting things go along in a haphazard way, thinking that perhaps SOMEDAY we'll slick up and improve the looks of the place? That someday our ship will come in and we will have money to spend for such things. Then we will have a terrace and imported shrubbery and sunken gardens and everything nice, but until then we will let things drift along as they are.

Well, let's drop those notions and see what we can do with what we have and begin now to make our place take on its proper front.

Let's straighten up the fence or gate—let's tack on the loose boards of the buildings. If we must make repairs, let's do it as neatly as possible. Then there's the rubbish that we can dispose of—we can burn what we can and bury the rest—we can remove the machinery from a conspicuous view and put it in its proper place.

We Never Could Understand It
Speaking of machinery reminds me of the many complaints I have heard the past year or two of the continued high prices of machinery, yet it is astonishing the great number (Continued on page three)

AUTOS REQUIRE IMPROVED ROADS

Champion of Popular Road
Bill Urges That Users
Help Pay

SEEKS PROPERTY RELIEF

Says Gasoline Tax Laws Are
Successful in 36 States
That Have Them

Sentiment in favor of a gasoline tax for Michigan appears to grow stronger as the weeks pass. Hostile forces which hoped to see interest and enthusiasm for a gas tax die down are doomed to disappointment. An issue like this is never settled until it is settled right.

The more that this proposition is discussed, the more arguments are found in its favor and the weaker becomes the stand of the opposition. Senator William M. Connelly of Spring Lake, who led the fight for the gas tax in the Senate during the last session, in a letter to the News gives a list of 21 convincing arguments in favor of a gas tax. He says:

The following arguments are offered to first justify an increase of tax on the motor vehicle, followed by arguments to prove the rightness of levying this increase through the medium of tax on gasoline.

The motor vehicle has created the necessity for the construction and maintenance of a costly system of state trunkline roads and is taxed very low in proportion to benefits derived.

Further improvements of highways will sustain the demand for motor vehicles.

Therefore: The motor vehicle should pay a large share of the cost of the thing so essential to its existence and economic usefulness.

21 Reasons for a Gas Tax
1. A tax on gasoline charges the motor vehicle for the use of the highways in proportion to the service the highway renders it.

2. A tax on gasoline is not to be an addition to general property tax; it is to be in lieu of any levy on general property for state highway purposes.

3. A tax on gasoline is easily and cheaply collected. It has been stated by the opposition that the collection of a gasoline tax would create an army of soft job holders in the employ of the State and could be collected only at an enormous cost. This is the old game of the obstructionist, to base a poisonous argument on a dishonest hypothesis. The State of Michigan does not have a large army of soft job holders in any department and is not going to have. The tax on gasoline will be remitted under sworn statements by the distributors who collect the tax from the retailers. The Secretary of State will handle the collections with probably two additional employees. The State of Indiana is collecting its gas tax at a cost of \$7,000 per year. Is Michigan less competent or efficient than her neighbor? No!

4. A tax on gasoline will not effect those using gasoline for purposes other than the operation of motor vehicles. A workable rebate provision has been written into the proposed bill that will exempt all other users of gasoline. This method is working quite satisfactorily in other states with practically no evasion of the law.

What Gas Tax Will Do
5. A two cents per gallon tax on gasoline will provide sufficient revenue to pay the interest on our \$50,000,000 of highway bonds, meet the annual requirements of a bond retirement of sinking fund and leave a balance sufficient to maintain our trunk line highways and amortize the large sum of revenue moneys due the counties.

6. A two cents per gallon tax on gasoline will not be burdensome in amount. The average consumption per year per vehicle will be near 400 gallons and not \$33 gallons as stated in some of the opposition's propaganda pamphlets.

7. A tax on gasoline will result in economy in the use of gasoline. It will tend to reduce waste of this useful fluid. Carburetor adjustments will be more carefully watched. A few less unnecessary trips will be taken and a whole year's tax can be saved.

Opposition is Clever
8. A tax on gasoline is heralded by the opposition as "The Poor Man's Burden, the Rich Man's Friend." The opposition happens to be composed of wealthy men, and one must look upon this catch phrase with suspicion. The poor man needs relief from general property tax, because his home is invariably over-assessed by comparison with property of the wealthy. It is (Continued on page two)

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THE STATE FARM BUREAU'S PROGRAM

TAXATION— Relief for sorely burdened farm property by enactment of:
(a) Two cent gasoline tax for highway funds.
(b) State Income Tax in place of State's general property levy.
(c) Law forbidding any more tax exempt securities.

TRANSPORTATION— Immediate application of Michigan Zone Rate decision to save farmer shipping in 69 counties \$500,000 annually.

MARKETING— Extension of sound co-operative marketing program now well under way in Michigan.

LEGISLATION— Congressional adoption of Ford's Muscle Shoals offer; opposition to sales tax; to subsidies of any kind to any industry.

LIKE DAVE CROCKETT, "WE'VE JUST BEGUN TO FIGHT"

We are glad to present to Farm Bureau members in this issue of the NEWS the 21 reasons given by Senator William M. Connelly as to why Michigan should adopt the gasoline tax system of raising revenue for highway purposes.

Michigan farmers rejoice to have so able a statesman as Senator Connelly championing a measure which means so much to them and which they believe to be so just and fair and desirable from every viewpoint. Farm Bureau members stand solidly behind a gas tax, believing that it is the only practical method of getting highway revenue from the 250,000 tourists here daily all summer; that it automatically takes into account both the weight of the car and the distance driven; that it would lessen the burden on real estate by lowering the general property tax and shifting a portion of the tax load directly onto the people who get the benefit from improved highways.

Michigan farmers are indignant over the way the gas tax bill was killed in the 1923 Legislature through executive veto, despite overwhelming support from almost every county in the state. However, they are exultant over the fact that it is acknowledged on every side that it was the influence of the organized farmers which forced the Warner gas tax bill through the Senate, despite determined administrative opposition.

For organized Michigan farmers this was one of their first great victories. It showed them their power. It assured the membership that their leaders wouldn't sell out. And so the farmers crave complete and final victory on this particular issue. To them it stands as a test of whether or not the will of the people shall rule in Michigan.

We realize that we have a big financial burden in the construction of the new roads which will be demanded, to maintain our present highways and to liquidate our present burden of highway indebtedness.

Over-taxed owners of Michigan real estate and forward looking and serious minded citizens generally are demanding that this shall not be done through increasing the already excessive general property taxes,—or through a system of bonding unborn generations. The bonding system not only is unfair, and unethical perhaps, but it has its practical objections as well, in that interest soon grows to amount to as much or more than the principal.

The Farm Bureau's legislative program favors "a pay-as-you-go" policy. Where bonds are issued for a public improvement it is felt that these bonds should mature and be paid in full during the life of the improvement for which they are issued. Nobody wants to pay for something after it is worn out; it certainly goes against the grain to pay for "a dead horse."

It seems as though we in Michigan have gone far enough in the matter of building roads on promises to pay. Already we have authorized the issuance of \$50,000,000 worth of highway bonds, \$38,000,000 worth of which actually have been issued. This money must be paid back—with interest. Besides that, the State owes the several counties of Michigan about \$5,000,000 in delinquent highway rewards. We've got to keep on building roads and paying for roads already built. Real estate will bear the big load unless we adopt some other system of raising the necessary revenue.

In view of the above situation and the high taxes on real estate, Governor Groesbeck in his message vetting the gas tax said that the Warner bill would have raised twice as much money as necessary!

It is estimated that a two cent gasoline tax in Michigan would raise about \$7,000,000 annually. At that rate it would require about 6 years to meet outstanding indebtedness, forgetting current road building and maintenance requirements. As it is we have nothing but promises to pay.

It is high time that Michigan should wake up and catch up with her neighbors in the matter of equitable and up-to-date highway finance. Of the 36 states who finance their state highway programs by means of gasoline taxes, not one has discarded the plan. Just recently Congress voted a gasoline tax for the District of Columbia to help keep up the highways there.

The two cents a gallon gasoline tax is coming in Michigan just as surely as night precedes the day. If the delay looks too long to suit us, we farmers may get busy with initiative petitions.

Sen. Connelly Gives Reasons for Gas Tax

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the poor man that is most earnest for his form of tax.

9. A tax on gasoline will be partially absorbed by the producers in fixing the price of gas. We are told, except in cases of price wars between producers, that the retail price of gasoline is determined to some extent by the demand. If the price is high it stifles demand, then reductions are in order.

Tourists Will Help

10. A tax on gasoline will collect something from the tourists who flock in myriads to our State each year to enjoy the natural advantages which may soon be reached in every county over well improved and well maintained trunk line roads. Many of these tourists come equipped with camping outfits and are well stocked with provisions and leave no contribution to reimburse us for the good roads they have enjoyed the use of.

11. A tax on gasoline is as near a mileage tax as it is practical to levy. It is said that a mileage tax would be a nearly ideal one.

12. A tax on gasoline will, even though small in amount, automatically penalize the speed demon, since the big car at 50 or 60 miles per hour pulls very heavy on the gas tank.

13. A tax on gasoline will enact a substantial increase in revenue from the trucks and busses that enjoy the profits accruing from their operation over the improved highways.

Shall Property Pay All?

14. A tax on gasoline has been objected to because it, together with the license fee, constitutes a dual tax on the motor vehicle. It is far more desirable to have a dual or triple tax that is fair and just, that the people want, than a burdensome single tax on general property that the people want abated.

15. A tax on gasoline for all practical purposes does take into consideration to an extent the weight and speed of the vehicle with its consequent destruction of the road. It does so in spite of the elaborate charts, diagrams and curves that have been worked out by the opposition to prove otherwise.

16. A tax on gasoline as against a high license fee or weight tax will be of advantage to the used car dealer. The high cost of license plates for a large and heavy used car would be quite an item in hindering the disposal of such a vehicle.

17. A tax on gasoline is a painless method of procuring more money for highways. It is spread over the year on an easy installment plan, it does

not hit like a tax payable the first of the year when the coal bill, Christmas presents, winter potatoes and general property tax has reduced the payer to the brink of bankruptcy.

Not Unjust to Cities

18. A tax on gasoline will not be an injustice to the city man any more than the present general property tax. The cities, because of the greater population, valuation and number of vehicles, must bear a correspondingly greater proportion of the cost of highways. More than ninety per cent of all traffic on the trunk line roads emanate from the cities. Whether we raise the money by general tax, license fees or gas tax, the cities must pay on about the same ratio.

19. A law taxing gasoline will be enacted, I predict, within two years through the initiative and referendum, if the opponents in the meantime succeed in killing such a measure in the next legislature. It is in the cards.

Will Not Hurt Industry

20. A tax on gasoline will not retard the demand for automobiles. The greatest twelve months' period in the history of the automobile business was when the price of gas was around its high average. No less authority than our Michigan Manufacturers and Financial Record, a publication which always champions the cause of our splendid motor car industry, recently published an article to the effect that, "The only thing that can seriously retard the demand for motor cars will be the lack of improved highways for them to operate on."

21. A tax on gasoline is objected to by our Detroit opponent (Col. Sidney Waldron of the Detroit Automobile Club) because of his theory that the general property should bear the entire cost of construction of highways and that the motor vehicle should bear only the cost of maintenance, based on the idea that real property is greatly enhanced by improved highways.

In Reply

General property will still bear the lion's share of highway cost, even though relieved somewhat by a tax on gasoline. Consult an average December tax receipt. It will show that 30 to 40 per cent of the total is for local highways. A gas tax would slightly relieve the State tax item, which item is only 10 per cent of the total tax bill. This surely proves that general property will still bear all if not more than its share of highway tax. Surely it cannot be claimed that real property is any more benefited or enhanced by highways than the motor vehicle.

Conclusion

I have no selfish end to attain in championing this cause. It is only

incidental to the big thing that I am interested in and that is to see Michigan placed on a sound income basis for a continuance of its highway construction, to the end that we may be the premier state in good roads, which is essential to our commercial, economic and social advancement.

WHAT OHIO THINKS OF OUR COMING IN

Columbus, Ohio, April 2.—"Joining of the Michigan Co-operative Wool Growers Marketing Ass'n's 1924 Farm Bureau wool with that of Ohio and Indiana makes the combined co-operative wool marketing system, with sales headquarters at Columbus, Ohio, the largest wool growers' sales agency in America," says the Ohio Farm Bureau in comment.

"Decision to join forces should bring better returns to the growers, due to less overhead and better sales opportunities through a larger volume handled," said the Ohio Farm Bureau in the announcement made to its 100,000 members.

Menominee Farm Loans

Menominee, April 8.—Menominee members interested in Federal Farm Loans should make application to their local secretaries now as the appraisers will be along soon. Secretaries of the three Menominee Farm Loan Ass'ns are H. E. Nadeau, Menominee; Walter Anderson, Carney; W. L. Nelson, Daggett.

D. L. Hagerman Penna. R. R. Agr'l Agt. is Dead

Michigan farmers along the entire west coast are grieved to learn of the death of D. L. Hagerman, agricultural agent of the Pennsylvania Railroad system in Michigan, at his home in Grand Rapids, March 28. Mr. Hagerman was 35 years old and had been in the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad as its agricultural agent for several years. One of his most interesting accomplishments was his development of the Pennsylvania R. R. demonstration farm on sand land at Howard City, Montcalm county, to what soon promised to be a paying basis, along methods that could be put into practice by any farmer, once Mr. Hagerman had worked them out. Following is a text of a resolution adopted by the Michigan State Farm Bureau Board of Directors, April 8, at Lansing, on the death of Mr. Hagerman:

Resolved, that we are deeply grieved at the taking away March 28, 1924, of our friend and co-worker, D. L. Hagerman of Grand Rapids, agricultural agent in Michigan for the Pennsylvania Railroad System.

Michigan farm organizations and thousands of Western Michigan farmers who knew him well, knew him for his work and appreciated the brighter future that his work assures Michigan agriculture, join in these thoughts about a friend whose sympathy and understanding were complete.

As the years went on D. L. Hagerman's deep and helpful interest in Michigan farmers and their organizations increased; his counsel was sought and carried out on numerous occasions. He gave unstintingly of his strength to open a path to a better and brighter future for Western Michigan farmers and their families; his work will go on and on. Michigan agriculture is grateful for having had D. L. Hagerman.

Be it further resolved, that this resolution be spread on the minutes and published in the Michigan Farm Bureau News as an expression of the appreciation of the Michigan State Farm Bureau and that a copy be sent to Mrs. Hagerman and the family with our sympathy.

Board Pays Respect To Sotham's Memory

The Farm Bureau movement in Michigan experienced a severe loss April 8, in the death of Mr. Henry Sotham of St. Clair. The Board of Directors of the Michigan State Farm Bureau who were holding their bi-monthly meeting on that day adopted the following resolution upon receipt of the sad news:

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Michigan State Farm Bureau have learned with profound regret of the death of Mr. Henry Sotham of St. Clair,

AND WHEREAS, Mr. Sotham was a real leader of agriculture in Michigan, a pioneer in Farm Bureau organization work in St. Clair county, a man noted for his public interest and his activities for the betterment of the live stock industry,

AND WHEREAS, both because of our respect for Mr. Sotham and because of his close relationship to our co-worker and fellow member, Earl C. McCarty, we feel a sense of immediate and personal loss in the untimely passing of this pillar of the progressive agriculture of this state,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we adopt this resolution expressive of our respect for our departed friend and fellow-farmer of our sorrow at the sorrowful event which has removed him from our midst and the field of his earthly labors, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in this hour of their bereavement we wish to extend our sincerest sympathy to the mourning family of the deceased and we order that this resolution be spread on the minutes of this meeting and published in the Michigan Farm Bureau News.

BABY CHICKS

Remarkable for SIZE and STRENGTH. Reasonably Priced. LEGHORN, ANCONAS, REDS, ROCKS, WYANDOTTES, MINORCAS, ORPINGTONS, SPANISH and BRAHMAS. TYRONE POULTRY FARM Fenton, Michigan

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from carefully selected two-year old hens, mated with pedigreed males from Michigan Agr'l College.

A. W. TORRANT Parma, Mich.

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10,000 Strong, Sturdy, Newton hatched chicks each week at the following low prices. Extra Selected—100, \$14; 500, \$65. Selected, 100, \$12; 500, \$55. Barred Rocks, 100, \$18; 500, \$85.

Shipped Postpaid, 100% live delivery guaranteed. Catalogue describing our stock and breeding farm sent free. Order direct from this ad or write for Catalogue. Send only 10¢ with order. TOWNE POULTRY FARM, Zeeland, Mich. Dept. "F", J. H. Geerlings, Prop.

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CONDITION: All our goods are thoroughly cured and seasoned. After being properly aged, they are re-ground. Will not cake or get hard. We use Florida pebble rock phosphate rather than ordinary Tennessee rock because Florida rock makes a mechanically perfect Acid Phosphate.

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FARM BUREAU SERVICE: Michigan, Ohio and Indiana Farm Bureaus have the output of a modernly equipped fertilizer plant. We offer members an attractive proposition on mixed goods, also 16 and 20 Pp. Acid Phosphate. Can ship at once. Order through your co-op now, or write us.

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We strongly recommend our Ontario Variegated Alfalfa as a good purchase and a satisfactory substitute for our too popular "Grimm-Common Mixture" and Michigan grown alfalfa seed,—both of which stocks have been exhausted.

The word "variegated" in the above name refers to the blossom characteristics, meaning "many colors of blossom"—a characteristic common to Grimm alfalfa. This seed is grown under conditions similar to Michigan and quite possibly contains some Grimm blood. We offer it at prices that make it an unusual value. Ask your Co-op Ass'n for Ontario Variegated Alfalfa, or write us

MICHIGAN STATE FARM BUREAU Seed Dep't Lansing, Mich.

Fruit Growers Must Consider Hardier Varieties to Make Peach Growing a Safer Industry

The Greening Nursery Co., Monroe, Michigan.

South Haven, Mich. February 2nd, 1924.

Gentlemen:

In response to your recent letter, I have visited the orchard of A. G. Spencer and made careful observations as to the comparative damage of peach buds of the Elberta and South Haven varieties, due to the winter freezing.

Will make the following report from Elberta trees set 1917 and South Haven from adjoining rows set 1918. A limb was taken from the south side of fine Elberta trees and one from the south side of the South Haven trees next to them and all fruit buds carefully examined with these results. Elbertas had 27 live buds and 174 dead ones with 13.4% of live buds. South Haven had 143 live buds and 135 dead buds with 52.3% of live buds.

Limbs cut from the original South Haven trees show 48% of live buds and a check tree of Elberta shows only 7.5% of live buds.

I am glad to make this report as it verifies past years' records and furnishes added proof for the hardiness of the South Haven peach. If there is no further loss these South Havens will have to be thinned this year.

Yours truly,
(Signed) ROY GIBSON.

Reports we are getting on a survey we are making of several surrounding States show that common varieties either are a total loss or nearly so in the great peach growing districts. In the Lake Erie peach belt in northern Ohio Elbertas and other common varieties are practically a total loss—South Havens 100% alive.

The South Haven Peach

The Hardest Of All Worth While Commercial Varieties can only be had from us. Then, too; their quality, size, color and time of ripening (approximately 18 days before Elberta) makes them the most desirable and most profitable of all peaches. Write us today for its history and prices.

Greening's Big Nurseries
Monroe, Michigan
Born 1850—Still Growing

WOOL GROWERS

Application for 1924 Wool Marketing Agreement

To Michigan Wool Growers Co-op M'k't'g Ass'n.
Michigan State Farm Bureau
LANSING, MICHIGAN.

Gentlemen:

Please send me Wool Marketing Agreement and Organization Agreement of Michigan Wool Growers Co-operative Marketing Ass'n for 1924. Also sacks for shipping wool at your direction.

I expect to have about.....lbs. of wool.

NAME

ADDRESSR. F. D.

Don't delay filling out and returning this application.

FARM BUREAU MAN ONCE WITH EDISON

Former Branch Co. Bureau
President Directed
Chemical Plant

Union City, April 9.—Ralph Arbogast, twice president of the Branch County Farm Bureau, formerly was associated with Thomas A. Edison as superintendent of one of the inventor's great chemical laboratories at Newark, N. J., and is a close friend of Mr. Edison. For six years Mr. Arbogast superintended the work of the chemical plant and was in continual touch with the inventor. Twelve years ago, however, his health caused him to abandon the laboratory for farming—and he had never been on a farm before. For three years he lost money, but today his 700 acre place is a leading dairy and poultry farm. Mr. Arbogast believes strongly in farm organization, works closely with the Michigan Agricultural College, and is vice-president of the Michigan Crop Improvement Association.

Along with farm organization, Mr. Arbogast believes in more business-like methods of farm management and less individual selfishness by farmers themselves. He believes in diversified farming and is not exclusively a dairyman. He raises grain, primarily for certified seed. He produces eggs with a pure-bred flock of White Leghorns. With all his highly technical training as a chemist, Mr. Arbogast says that farming is a most intricate business; that no other business requires so much in one man, and that the great need of the farming business today is more education.

SEED DEPT HAS TIP FOR ALFALFA PLANTERS

The stocks of Grimm alfalfa suitable for Farm Bureau Brand are rapidly disappearing. The Farm Bureau Seed dept advises those who intend to sow Grimm or our hardy Ontario Variegated Strain of alfalfa to cover their needs at once. Choice stocks of sweet clover are also being rapidly consumed.

SEED BEANS
We offer "1,200 to One" seed beans—hardy, big producers, early maturing, light pickers, splendid quality at \$3 bushel, f. o. b. Decker, bags free. Bargain. Order quick.
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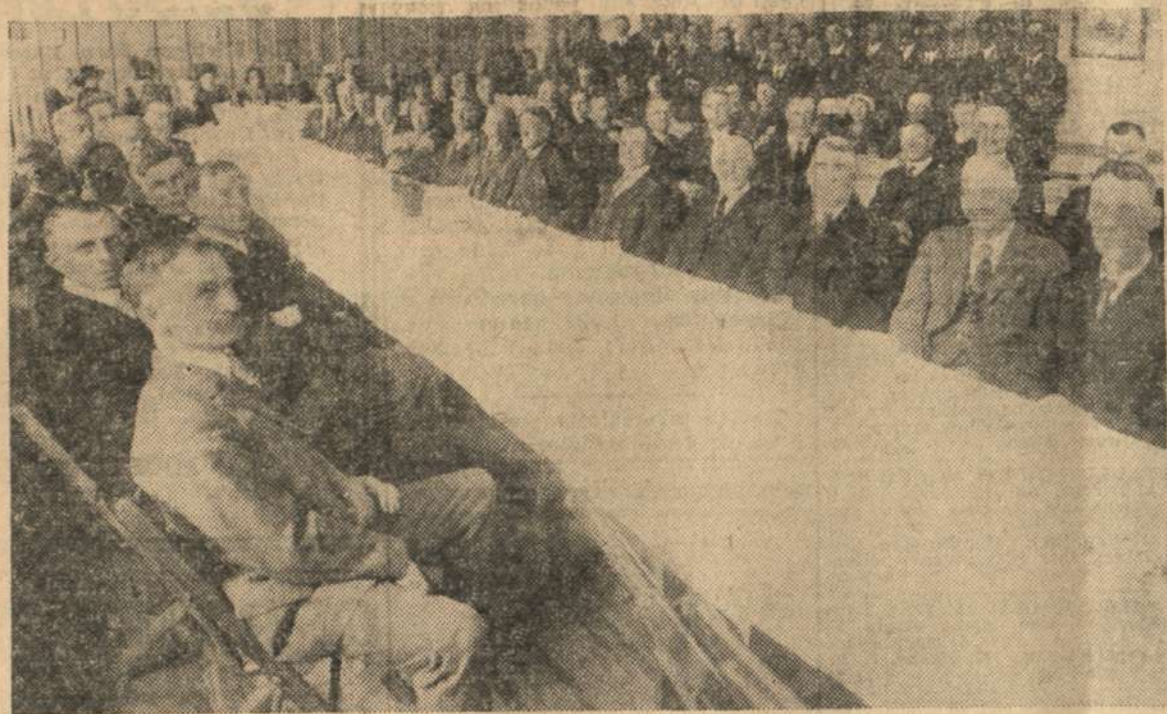
This is true of both the Michigan Live Stock Exchange Commission Merchants at Detroit Stockyards and the Producers Co-operative Commission Ass'n at East Buffalo. These houses serve co-operative live stock shippers of 234 ass'ns belonging to the Michigan Live Stock Exchange.

Today these co-op sales agencies handle more stock than any other firm on these markets and do it right along. They continue to grow; they are making good savings on the marketing cost and returning that savings to their shippers. They are giving superior sales service.

What's the answer? Can you ask for better, sounder recommendations for marketing your live stock? Your nearest Live Stock co-op can help you. If you have none, write

Mich. Livestock Exch.
at Detroit
Prod. Co-op. Com. Ass'n
at East Buffalo

Kalamazoo Membership Committee



Above are the Kalamazoo County Farm Bureau members who are now carrying on the organization's second membership campaign. Every one of them is a strong Farm Bureau booster and five or six of them are at

work in each township. Kalamazoo is the first county to put on its second membership campaign with all local workers, aided by the State Farm Bureau Organization dept. The Kalamazoo campaign is prob-

ably one of the best organized in the state to date. There are about 100 local workers, Cecil Clapp, county secretary, and H. I. Andre of the State Farm Bureau, are directing the work.

470 Members In 11 Counties Organizing Their Neighbors

Boosters Working Like Bees
And Are Adding Many
To Organization

Do you know that today and tomorrow and until their part of the second Farm Bureau membership campaign job is complete that 470 Farm Bureau members in 11 counties, working in pairs, are calling on their neighbors in their respective townships and are making Farm Bureau members of those neighbors?

That's what's doing in Michigan State and County Farm Bureau organization work today. What these 470 men, with minds of a single purpose, are doing is well worth reading. Every day they can get out, they're out. If the roads are in bad shape, they're out as quick as the roads are passable again. Some of the work is completing campaigns already begun, some of it is new membership campaigns.

How It Is Going

The Berrien workers have added more than 200 to its second membership campaign list of last August. There had been some still holding up the work. Other counties completing their campaigns and adding steadily to their memberships are Saginaw, Kent, Ionia, Branch, Monroe, Sanilac, Newaygo and St Joseph.

In Kalamazoo and Muskegon counties 130 members are putting on the second membership campaign as a wholly local proposition, with aid from the State Organization dept. They have been at it just a few days and reports are just coming in. Kalamazoo reports to date show that fully half the men called upon have become members. One of the first reports from Kalamazoo showed that two men in one quarter of a township signed 22 members in 26 calls.

All these men are out to build a powerful, permanent organization and they will do it. Other counties about ready to start their second membership campaigns with all-local workers are Grand Traverse, Antrim, Emmet, Calhoun and Gratiot. Counties whose Farm Bureau members are about to finish up their second membership campaigns are Oakland, Midland and Ottawa.

It's Powerful Medicine

Fifty to 100 local Farm Bureau members out boosting for their organization is powerful medicine. They take their work very seriously.

First they organize, sign up themselves for another three years and then they hold an all day Farm Bureau school. State Farm Bureau workers attend and there is an all day discussion of the work.

Fourteen counties are scheduled for second membership campaigns this summer, some with State Farm Bureau solicitors, others with local workers, aided by State men. Jackson county begins its campaign about May 5.

"Every Member Get a Member"

The Farm Bureau movement in Michigan will become strong in proportion as its members in the various counties get out in their own neighborhoods to boost their own organization. With in mind we will be very glad to receive from any Farm Bureau member names and addresses of those whom they think would renew their membership or would join if they have not already been members. We would then correspond with these people about it. Many memberships are being received as a result of inquiries from those wishing to join. If we adopted a slogan something like, "Every member get a member," and followed it out we would soon double our membership.

Spring Is Here, What About Summer Plans?

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ber of plows and cultivators that are seen standing in fields all over Michigan and the hay loaders and corn binders that are being sheltered under an apple tree in the doorway the year around.

One would sometimes think that farm equipment could be had at any 5 and 10 cent store if the care given it was any indication of cost.

Miracles are Simple

A friend of ours bought a run down farm a few years ago, much to the astonishment of his neighbors, but he had an eye to improvement; so he undertook to make a real home of the place. Everything that he did was attended with the thought of neatness; some of the buildings were altered somewhat, all were painted off and seeded, some fruit was put out; in a systematic way the fence corners were cleaned out, and shade trees planted until everyone began to admire that farm and point to it as one of the ideal country homes. Yet he did not spend any great amount of money to make the change—he only made the best of

what he had. Just recently health made it seem wise for him to sell and it was but a very short time before he sold for much more than the price he paid. His cash returns for his efforts were gratifying, besides he had the satisfaction of enjoying a pleasant home and the knowledge that he was no drawback to his community.

Nature's Decorations Inexpensive

There are many ways that nature has provided to assist us in making our premises more attractive. In the city every improvement requires money, but not so in the rural districts. There are no better shade trees than we can find in our own woods—the graceful elm or spreading maple would improve appearances in so many ways, the common woodbine or the bitter sweet could be used to cover fences or unsightly buildings. If a quick growing vine is desired there is nothing that can equal the common hop vine. There are the native ferns that can be moved from their home in the woods to the north side of the house and they give a decorative touch to the surroundings that money could not better. We have many beautiful clumps of wild flowers and shrubbery that grow along our highways and in waste places that should be trimmed and preserved. The wild locust tree or the elder bush or the Judas shrub are all beautiful in their way, while the wild aster and golden rod could fill many places that would otherwise be barren.

Michigan is fast becoming a tourist state during the summer months and will soon have a national reputation as is enjoyed by Florida or California during the winter. We have all heard of the beauties of both of these far away states but it is up to us to help bring out the beauties of our own state. We have heard of each county of these two states adopting a different shrub or flower to adorn their boulevards and traveled highways and how it pleased the eye of those traveling over them, helped make sales, and brought them back. These were improvements that required money and much attention and that is something we farm people of Michigan cannot afford in great amount. However, we have a natural soil that will grow our native flowers in a way that could not be criticized. Why could we not concentrate on one flower?

I want to present to you a thought that Mrs. Campbell of M. A. C. has expressed several times in my hearing. She knows we farm folks have but little money to spend to beautify our surroundings, yet she wonders if we could not all plant a package or two of hollyhock seed in some out of the way place where we and the passers-by could enjoy their rich colorings. They are perennials and

will require but little attention after once started. Just think what the results would be if every farm home had a clump of stately hollyhocks somewhere in sight! Michigan would be talked about in no homely way by thousands of visitors every summer, who heretofore had failed to see beauty on every farm they traveled past.

Home Pleasures Are Real

These suggestions may seem trivial when compared to the every day business of farming, but they all help to make home; and after all is said and done it is the pleasures we get out of our every day life that count.

A few years ago the good man of the house was helping set out some rose bushes and iris when the old-fashioned neighbor dropped in and remarked that we had better "plant a hill of corn."

There is beauty and satisfaction in a well cared for field of corn but it lowers the regard for farming when corn is used to ornament the doorway, and it brings to us the state of mind of the Western farm woman who saw nothing in life but to "raise more corn, to raise more hogs, to buy more land, to raise more corn, to raise more hogs, etc., etc."

To enjoy farming we must make it more than a business, we must let it be life in its best form.

Editor's Note—We would be glad to have letters from readers of this article on what they think about the ideas expressed.

Editor's Note—Not long ago a reader wrote to Mrs. Wagar, through the M. A. C., in regard to a special matter. She signed "Admirer," but forgot to enclose her mailing address. For publication of any article

in the NEWS it is necessary that we have the correspondent's name and address as a matter of good faith, although the article may be published over initials or a pen name. If the correspondent mentioned above will furnish Mrs. Wagar with her address, Mrs. Wagar will be glad to answer the letter. Mrs. Wagar's home address is Carleton, Mich.

Ottawa Bureau Opens Farmers Reading Room

Grand Haven, April 10.—Farmers with a little spare time in Grand Haven may spend it in a pleasant manner at the County Farm Bureau reading room at the court house. All current farm magazines, M. A. C., and U. S. Dept. of Agriculture bulletins and agricultural books are to be had. This office should be headquarters for Ottawa farmers visiting the county seat, says County Agr'l Agent Milham.

For Yield, Safety and Economy These Crop Mixtures



They are Farm Bureau Brand Seeds, natural crop mixtures, Michigan adapted and carry the Farm Bureau's protecting guarantee. Ask for them at your co-op.

No. 1B Alfalfa, contains about 1% sweet clover and sells for \$1.30 per bushel less than No. 1 Alfalfa.

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Sweet Clover 70%, Alfalfa 30%, sells for 25c less than F. B. Brand No. 1 Sweet Clover and \$5 per bushel under F. B. No. 1 Alfalfa.

50-50 Alfalfa, Sweet Clover Mixture, sells at \$3 per bushel under F. B. No. 1 Alfalfa and only 75c per bushel under F. B. No. 1 Sweet Clover.

Ask your co-op for these high value crop mixtures. We pack them in sealed, bushel, half-bushel and peck sacks. If you can't get them locally write,

MICHIGAN STATE FARM BUREAU
Seed Dep't. Lansing, Michigan

Michigan Lime & Fertilizer Company

(A Michigan Corporation)

The demand for lime products as fertilizers to "sweeten" the soil is absolutely necessary for the production of all important crops. This is especially true of lands which have been under cultivation for more than a limited number of years.

The United States and Michigan Departments of Agriculture are actively advocating the use of lime to overcome soil acidity. The Michigan Agricultural College is assisting the farmer to solve his problem of proper fertilization by preparing maps showing the lime requirements of each county.

The Michigan State Farm Bureau, one of the most progressive and efficient organizations of its kind in the country, is also keenly interested in obtaining for its members the best lime fertilizers in sufficient quantities and at the right price; and is negotiating for the exclusive sale of this product in Michigan.

Authorities state that Marl properly prepared is superior to the ordinary ground limestone. The product of the Michigan Lime & Fertilizer Company will be Marl properly dried and ground to a quality that will meet the requirements of the soil better than any similar fertilizer now on the market and at a lower cost.

Agricultural authorities have estimated that most cultivated land in Southern Michigan requires an application of from one to three tons per acre of this fertilizer, and that such application must be repeated with crop rotation at such intervals as to constantly maintain an adequate amount of lime in the soil. The demand for this product is therefore enormous.

The Michigan Lime & Fertilizer Company is the only corporation in the State producing commercial Marl fertilizer. The Company owns 158 acres of land in Spring Arbor township, Jackson County; 150 acres contain a deposit of Marl which has been thoroughly prospected. The results showed 25 feet of Marl, averaging 93% carbonate of lime. The deposit contains a sufficient amount of Marl to keep the plant running for 50 years on the basis of 500 tons per day, operating seven months of the year. It is planned to commence construction work on the plant within a few weeks.

With its plant situated near Jackson and directly on a railroad, it occupies an enviable position for distribution to all of Southern Michigan. It is the best location for saving on freight rates that could be found, and the Company is exceedingly fortunate that its Marl deposits are so strategically located.

MANAGEMENT

The success of any business is dependent on its management. The Michigan Lime & Fertilizer Company is fortunate in having as its President, N. S. Potter, Jr., of Ann Arbor, Mich. Mr. Potter is President of the Michigan Portland Cement Company and has had over twenty years' experience in handling and treating Marl.

Mr. Henry W. Berger of Jackson, Michigan, Vice-President and General Manager, is a chemical engineer with twenty years' experience in agricultural chemistry. He was at one time connected with the United States Department of Agriculture at Washington.

A limited amount of stock in the Company is being made available. Further information will be gladly furnished to those interested upon receipt of coupon below, without obligating them in any manner.

Brand, Gardner & Dresser,
410 Dwight Bldg.,
Jackson, Mich. Date.....

Gentlemen: You may send me further information on the Michigan Lime & Fertilizer Company.

NAME

R. F. D.

POSTOFFICE

Brand, Gardner & Dresser
410 Dwight Bldg.
Jackson, Michigan

Dress Up For Spring

There is no better spring tonic than a BRAND NEW OUTFIT—suit, top-coat, hat, shoes. And while we are on the subject we want to impress you with the fact that of all clothes there are none quite so **STYLISH, GOOD LOOKING, COMFORTABLE** and **SERVICEABLE** as ours, **TAILORED TO YOUR MEASURE**, in the model, fabric, color, pattern, most becoming to you personally.

We are featuring only the kind of clothing which gives long service and maintains its appearance to the last. At the same time they are priced as low as is consistent with their splendid quality, prices ranging from \$25.00 to \$45.00.

If it is not convenient for you to call and inspect the largest and best assortment of 100% Virgin Woolens that we have ever had, just drop us a postal card and we will gladly mail you samples of **MERCHANDISE OF MERIT FOR LESS**.

Michigan State Farm Bureau, Fabric Dept.
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SOLVAY Pulverized Limestone brings QUALITY crops that command highest prices. Makes sour soil sweet and productive. Write for the SOLVAY booklet—tells how to use lime economically and for greater profit—FREE on request. Address THE SOLVAY PROCESS CO., Detroit, Mich.



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General Manager Inspires
Confidence of All

HEAR OF TAX REFORMS

County Agent's Report Shows
Year of Varied Activity
and Real Results

Marshall, April 3. — Loyalty toward their organization, satisfaction about progress made to date and optimism regarding future prospects characterized the annual meeting of the Calhoun County Farm Bureau held here today. Election of officers and directors, the report of boys' and girls' club work leader, W. C. Boman, and of the county agricultural agent, B. B. Adams, a big Farm Bureau banquet at noon and an address by Clark L. Brody, secretary and general manager of the state organization, were outstanding features of the gathering.

Mr. Brody told of the various business and service departments of the State Farm Bureau and declared that through its various activities the Farm Bureau movement has established ideals in agriculture worth far more than it has ever cost. He pled with the members present for their continued personal interest and loyalty and voiced the sentiment that the Farm Bureau should be ever active "from the knees down."

Has Developed Leadership
Mr. Brody told his hearers that in the past one of the big problems of the State Farm Bureau had been to secure the right type of men to place in charge of the business departments, men who would have sufficient business ability and who still could get the co-operative vision and keep the interest of the membership at heart. He declared that now this difficulty had been overcome and competent and trustworthy men had been trained to fill the positions of responsibility.

After pointing out in detail the many services rendered by the various Farm Bureau departments, Mr. Brody discussed the present plan of membership campaigns and prophesied that when the entire state had been canvassed the Farm Bureau would have a membership of 50,000 gilt edge farmers, who would constitute the cream of Michigan's rural population.

Speaking of the value of the Michigan Farm Bureau News, Mr. Brody said, "Without such a paper agriculture would be in danger today. Your organization stands between you and exploitation. This paper can do things that no other paper can do for you."

Single Farmer Helpless
In traffic problems the individual farmer is helpless and can only get relief and help through a powerful organization, the speaker declared. He drew a prolonged applause when, referring to taxation, he said, "We're going to have that gas tax yet." Commenting on the fight of the Farm Bureau to secure the passage of the gas tax through the State Senate and to the many interesting developments which have resulted, Mr. Brody reminded the delegates that hostile politicians do not attack an organization that isn't in their way.

The county agent's report given by B. B. Adams showed a year of intense activity and splendid achievement. Among the activities of the past year were: boys' and girls' club work; ton litter of hogs contest; work with community clubs; Marshall business men's club and granges; luncheon of Farm Bureau directors and bankers of county; hog breeders' tour; cow testing association; furnishing alfalfa inoculation; educational work in favor of Grimm alfalfa; encouragement of use of certified seed; education regarding potato grading; poultry culling and establishment of demonstration farms in 13 townships; help in program of bovine T-B eradication; furnishing of farm loan information; work with county fair, etc.

Agent a Busy Man
The scope of Mr. Adams' activities is indicated by the above partial list of activities and by the fact that during the year he had 1,138 office calls made by 888 different men, he made 700 farm visits and spoke at 101 meetings with a combined attendance of 5,654 people.

Mr. Adams endorsed the work of the Farm Bureau in no uncertain terms as an organization that filled a real need and that holds its membership together with a bond of reason. He urged every member to feel a sense of his personal responsibility to the organization and be willing to fight for it as a labor union man would fight for his organization. An outstanding feature of Mr. Adams' report was that he brought out that he had not done a single thing toward increased production but had been active along the lines of improving the quality of the agricultural products, increasing the efficiency of the farms in his county and helping the farmers with their marketing problems.

Mr. Powell, legislative representative of the State Farm Bureau, was present and answered questions regarding the gas tax, the proposed state income tax constitutional amendment and the McNary-Haugen bill, now pending in Congress.

Milk from tuberculous cows, unless properly pasteurized, is infectious.

Help! Help!

Members, if you know of any fellow Farm Bureau members who should be receiving the Michigan Farm Bureau News and are not getting it, we will appreciate it very much if you will drop us a postcard, giving us their names and post-office address. We want every member to have the News. Should you learn of any papers being delayed through incorrect address, a word to us will fix things up. Thanking you for your co-operation, we are,

Cordially yours,
MICHIGAN FARM BUREAU
NEWS
Editorial Office, Lansing, Mich.

ALFALFA SEED SITUATION GIVEN

Those Wanting High Grade
Utah Seed Must
Get Busy

The Farm Bureau Seed Dept. cannot purchase further stocks of No. 1 Utah alfalfa in the producing sections. While we still have some supplies, the rush we are now having is rapidly reducing these stocks. We still have a good supply of No. 1B and No. 2 Utah alfalfa.

The No. 1B is equal in every way to No. 1, except that it contains about 1 per cent of sweet clover which volunteered in the crop. No. 2 Brand alfalfa is as free of sweet clover as the highest class No. 1, and the germination is as high but the color is not so good, due to the presence of some discolored seeds.

Our No. 1B Brand Utah alfalfa is now quoted at \$1.30 per bushel less than No. 1, a remarkable value. No. 2 Brand Utah alfalfa is quoted at \$2.50 per bushel discount from No. 1, a big saving and the seed will give crop results.

This is the Utah alfalfa seed situation. The Seed Dept. has fully described these and other Farm Bureau seeds timely at this time in its regular advertising sections of the News. Good seeds are none too plentiful and it is worth any member's while to read all this information, decide what he needs and go to his co-op and get it. If he has no co-op, he should write the State Farm Bureau Seed Dept. at once and order direct.

RADIO CARDS

Radio applause cards for acknowledging Farm Bureau programs broadcasted from Westinghouse Station KYW, Chicago, Tuesday nights at 8:20 may be obtained free by writing the Michigan Farm Bureau News.

Finds Milkmaid And Produce Exch. Helpful

West Olivet, Mich.
February 9, 1924.
Michigan State Farm Bureau
Lansing, Michigan.

Dear Sirs:
I am a user of Milkmaid and I think it the best on the market. I have tried other dairy feed, paying 15c more per hundred pounds. The cows lost on the milk and as soon as I used the Milkmaid the cows began to gain and produced more milk. I highly recommend Milkmaid in every way.

Respectfully yours,

Frank Fendit.
P. S.—We also have a good word for the Farm Bureau Produce Exchange. We shipped turkeys in 1922 and 1923 to Detroit. In 1922 we received 5c more than any other market. In 1923 we received 2c more than other markets paid.

Farm Organization Man In Wales; Is One Here

Manchester, April 10.—Robert O. Jones of Manchester, R-5, is a new member of the Washtenaw County Farm Bureau, but farm organization work and its value is not new to him. About 15 years ago in Wales he was a member of a farmers' organization there, somewhat similar in aims to the Farm Bureau of today.

One of the Farm Bureau services that impresses him the most is the work of the Seed Dept. in assuring members the highest class seeds of northern origin and guaranteeing them to their full value to be pure, genuine as to name and to be in every respect as represented.

Webb Has An Alfalfa Story Worth Telling

F. J. Webb, Van Buren County Farm Bureau member of Paw Paw, R-5, says that his first experience with Farm Bureau Brand alfalfa seed is still worth telling about. He visited State headquarters at Lansing the other day and said that the ten acres of Farm Bureau alfalfa that he planted three years ago beats anything that he has ever seen. He put it into a well fitted seed bed. The next summer he had three good heavy cuttings, running about two tons to the acre. Last year he had another three cuttings and says that he could have had a fourth, but pastured instead. The stand came up thick and even and has remained so ever since. Mr. Webb got his seed through the Van Buren County Farm Bureau.

WHO'S GOING TO PLANT ALL THIS IMPORTED SEED?

Millions of Pounds Come In;
Insist Upon Domestic
Grown Stock

Imports of red clover and alfalfa continue to come into this country. Government reports of March 17th show imports from July 1, 1923, to March 15, 1924, as follows:

Red clover 21,251,000 lbs.
Alfalfa 10,608,000 lbs.

From March 1, 1924 to March 15, 1924—

Red clover 4,074,900 lbs.
Mostly from France, England, Chile and Italy.

Alfalfa 529,600 lbs., mostly from France, Argentina and South Africa.

Play safe—use Farm Bureau Brand known origin seeds. You get them at your co-op in sealed, trademarked bushel, half-bushel and peck sacks, just as they left the State Farm Bureau Seed Dept. warehouse. The Seed Dept. knows exactly where each lot of seed came from and guarantees its domestic northern origin, its genuineness, its purity and germination to be fully as represented. When you're sure you're right, then you can go ahead.

Imported seed, generally has a very poor record in this climate, especially for winter killing and for being susceptible to diseases that American grown stocks have been bred to resist. Just now the Michigan Agricultural College is taking some importing seed companies to task for giving out partially complete and misleading advertising on the merits of imported seeds.

MARILLA AND COPEMISH SHIP'G ASS'NS DO WELL

Manistee, March 27.—The recently organized Marilla and Copemish Live Stock Shipping Ass'n, members of the Michigan Live Stock Exchange are doing very well for their shippers, according to a letter to the News from W. F. Danville, manager. He writes:

"Our volume of business has been far beyond our expectations at the time we organized and our successes have been very much worth while."

"One of our best services was on a shipment of sheep and lambs. A grower who shipped in this car who had some of the best lambs in the car had an offer of \$7.00 per cwt. for his lot. When he got his return he had \$11.00 per cwt. for all but two light lambs which brought him \$8.00 per cwt."

"The sheep growing industry in Manistee county is limited to very small flocks, but nothing will do more to stimulate an interest than co-operative marketing of the surplus lambs."

"Each animal sold on the open market through our co-operative exchanges is sold on its merit. The shipper who has the best stock, whether it be cattle, sheep, hogs or veal calves or a coop of chickens, gets the best price. Each grade sold is weighed and reported separately."

"This alone is a great thing for the live stock industry in that it offers the growers an opportunity to learn the various grades and the relative difference in the price of the various grades. It produces an interest in producing better stock, which was never done under the old system."

"The writer loaded and shipped 13 cars for the above mentioned associations from August 1st to Dec. 1, 1923. The result of which gives each of the associations a long list of well satisfied shippers."

Before the Marilla Copemish Live Stock Ass'n was formed the growers marketed their surplus sheep, lambs and other stock in small lots and had to take the small lot price. The Marilla-Copemish Ass'n shipped the first straight carload of sheep and lambs ever shipped out of Manistee county and followed that with 12 other carloads of stock, an example of the possibilities of co-operative effort.

IT PAYS

"B-E-C-A-U-S-E"
It's Cheaper

100 Pounds of
DETROIT

"Star Brand"
Digester Tankage

Costs \$3.00
and Equals

500 lbs. Corn—\$7.00
In Protein

The Flesh Builder
Finish Your Hogs

2 Months Sooner
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Write for FREE Booklet

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BUSINESS NEWS

3c a word per insertion for 3 or more insertions; 5c a word for each of 2 insertions; 4c a word for one insertion. Count each word, abbreviation and figure, including words in signature, as words. Cash must accompany order. Mich. Farm Bureau News.

HELP WANTED

WANTED—EXPERIENCED SINGLE man for farm work. State wages. Mrs. C. Mason, Avoca, Mich. 4-11-24

LIVE STOCK

REGISTERED HEREFORDS FOR sale. Cows with calves, also heifers and young bulls at farmers' prices. Ralph Calhoun, Bronson, Mich. 5-23-24

POULTRY

CHICKS—BARRER ROCKS, WHITE Rocks from transported, bred-to-lay heavy laying stock. The breeding back of a chick is what makes or loses you money. Can handle a few more chick orders. J. V. Sheep, Owosso, Mich. 4-24-24

WHITTAKER'S RHODE ISLAND RED Chicks and eggs for hatching. Both combs. Michigan's Greatest Color and Egg Strain. Bred from fourteen generations of winter layers. Catalog free. Interlakes Farm, Box B, Lawrence, Mich. 4-10-24

FOR SALE, RHODE ISLAND RED Chicks from a good laying strain at \$15.00 per hundred. Safe delivery guaranteed, by parcel post. H. Koons, R. F. D. No. 1, Homer, Mich. 4-24-24

GET OUR REDUCED PRICES ON White Leghorn chicks from our own flock. C. E. Lay Egg Farm, Francis M. Kent, R. 4, Muskegon, Mich. 5-23-24

HATCHING EGGS, MARTINS REGAL, Dorcas Strain White Wyandottes, 4150 per setting of 15 eggs. Mrs. C. W. Small, R. R. 2, Box 180, Lawrence, Mich. 4-24-24

EGGS FOR HATCHING, ARISTOCRAT Barred Rocks, Gold-back Mammoth Bronze Turkeys. Best standard stock, selected, reasonable prices. Also fine bred Toms, cheap. Dawson's Farm, Muskegon, Mich. 4-24-24

SEEDS

CERTIFIED WORTHY OATS, Certified Michigan corn, G. P. Phillips, Tionee, Bellevue, Mich. 4-23-24

IMPROVED ROBERT BEANS \$3 per bu., screened, Fritz Manley, Fairgrove, Mich. 4-25-24

FOR SALE—Pure Lake Champlain Melon Seed, \$3 per lb. H. G. Randall, Eau Claire, Mich., R. F. D. 2. 4-11-24

FOR SALE—GOOD MANCHU SOYBEANS \$2.25 bushel. R. Mittersbaugh, Coldwater, Mich., R. 3. 4-11-24

PLANTS

STRAWBERRY PLANTS, EVER-bearing 25, Dunlaps 25; Raspberry 25, Asparagus 25. High quality plants, \$2.00 each. \$1.25 Postage. Write now for catalog. Write now, Free Catalog. C. D. THAYER, BUREAU OF PLANTS, MICH. Member, Michigan State Farm Bureau. 4-24-24

HORSE RADISH SETS, FOR SALE, \$1.25 per 100 delivered Second zone. Reduction on large orders. A crop that matures first season. Trade Sales Co., 1609 Collingwood Ave., Toledo, Ohio. 4-11-24

MISCELLANEOUS

SILVER FOXES FOR SALE, PROVEN breeders and 1924 pups at bargain prices. Quality guaranteed. Address McComb Silver Fox Ranch, Remus, Mich., R. 2. 4-24-24

Home For Sale

FOR SALE—Comfortable modern nine room home and bath at Allegan, thriving county seat of same county. Population 4,000, fine schools. This home has large living room with fireplace, dining room, kitchen, den, bedroom and 3-piece bath downstairs, all hardwood floors, and oak finish. Four large bedrooms upstairs. Large, dry, well-lighted cement basement; good furnace. Steel roof. Large garage with stabling for two cows or team. City electric light, gas and water. Cement sidewalks. Corner lot. Stands on acre of ground, part in gardens. Street lights, fire hydrant nearby, low insurance. Five minutes to center of town. A real home at a bargain. Write, 160 Cora Street, Allegan, Mich.

BREEDERS' DIRECTORY HEREFORDS

Young Cows with calves by side consisting of blood from America's foremost Hereford breeders that enable them to produce Hereford Beef Plan to pay for themselves within a year to 18 months. Includes prize winners at the largest shows at practical prices. Herd headed by Straight Edge 1189788, one of two sons of Perfect Fairfax out of a daughter of the Famous Disturber. T. F. Beatham & Sons (Herefords since 1839) St. Clair, Mich.

IT PAYS TO BUY PURE BRED SHEEP OF PARSONS THE SHEPHERD. I sell and ship ewes and yearlings of all breeds, purebred and mixed. All ages. Write Earl C. McCarty, Bad Axe, Huron County.

Every dairyman and Milkmaid, Feeder should have this new book.

Better Dairy Farming

By Savage & Maynard of Cornell. An all around dairy farmers' book. Full of helps. For your copy send \$1.25 to Mich. State Farm Bureau Purchasing Dept., Lansing, Mich. Postage Prepaid.

Certified Robust Bean Seed for Sale

Germination tests place your order now as this is the time to change your seed when it is cheap. \$4.50 per bushel now, compared to \$7.50 last year. Registered Hereford Cattle, Vermont granite. All ages. Write Earl C. McCarty, Bad Axe, Huron County.

For Memorial Day At Special Prices

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We are making special prices on all monuments and markers for early spring erection or before Memorial Day. Beautiful, everlasting Vermont granite. Be sure to get illustrations of our work and our prices before making a decision. For this information, write today to R. W. CARR GRANITE COMPANY 107 South Ave., Battle Creek, Mich.

Est. 30 Per Cent Beans Still With Farmers

According to the Michigan Elevator Exchange there were 2,480 cars of Michigan beans on hand April 1, 1924. President Nowlin of the Michigan Bean Jobbers' Association said in Detroit, February 7, that the 1923 Michigan crop was 8,214 forty thousand pound cars. Between October 1 and March 1, 1924 there actually were shipped 5,234 cars and, estimating the March shipments at an additional 500 cars, the balance stands April 1 at 2,480 cars, about 30% of the crop.

Monthly shipments have been as follows: Oct., 1,037 cars; Nov., 1313; Dec., 947; Jan., 915; Feb., 877.

Bovine tuberculosis costs U. S. farmers 40 million yearly.



"Our Butter Has A Wonderful Flavor"

"We have fed Milkmaid to 6 cows all winter and we have made from 30 to 35 lbs. of butter a week. Never before have we had such lovely butter. My customers always speak of the lovely flavor. We certainly have never had our cows do so well on any feed, both in amount of milk given and the flavor of the butter."

MR. AND MRS. PAUL BLACKIE, Marine City, Michigan.

Mr. and Mrs. Blackie are members of the St. Clair County Farm Bureau. Their letter is one of a great many that members have written to the Farm Bureau about their satisfaction with Michigan Milkmaid, our 24% protein, public formula dairy ration. The ingredients are listed on the tag, pound for pound, as shown in the list below. Shipped in 100 lb. sacks, with full feeding directions. The best concentrate for mixing with home grown grains and roughage.

MICHIGAN MILKMAKER
24% Protein; 45% Carbohydrates;
5% Fat; 9% Fibre (Max.)

MICHIGAN MILKMAKER
ANALYSIS

Protein (minimum)24%
Fat (minimum)5%
Carbohydrates (minimum).....45%
Fibre (maximum)9%

INGREDIENT FORMULA

500 lbs. Cottonseed Meal—43%
260 lbs. O. P. Linseed Oil Meal
200 lbs. Corn Distillers' Grains
200 lbs. Standard Wheat Bran
160 lbs. Yellow Hominy
100 lbs. Ground Oats
100 lbs. Standard Wheat Middlings
100 lbs. Cane Molasses
100 lbs. Peanut Meal—40%
20 lbs. Salt
20 lbs. Calcium Carbonate

2,000 lbs. of honest feed.

206 co-op ass'ns handle Milkmaid, always fresh, palatable—no filler. Where you can get Milkmaid you can also get Farm Bureau public formula poultry feeds, mill feeds, cottonseed and oil meal, fertilizer, etc. Write us for free Milkmaid booklet.

Michigan State Farm Bureau
Purchasing Dept., Lansing, Mich.

This F. B. Alfalfa at \$2.50 Less Is a Good Buy

The Michigan Farm Bureau Seed Dept. usually doesn't advise the use of anything except Farm Bureau Brand No. 1 or No. 1-B Alfalfa, but there was an unusual condition in the Utah alfalfa seed producing regions this year which permits us to offer a Farm Bureau Brand No. 2 Utah Alfalfa that is a money saver. An early frost in Utah caught a lot of the seed before full maturity and discolored a portion of the crop. After cleaning out the light immature seed there was still left some heavy, strong germinating but discolored seeds among the bright ones, which gives a dull appearance to the lot.

With the rapid depletion of our No. 1 stocks we believe you will find our Farm Bureau Brand No. 2 preferable to unknown origin seed of fancier appearance.

Under Farm Bureau Brand No. 2 Utah grown alfalfa we are offering only good germinating seed and at \$2.50 per bushel discount under Farm Bureau No. 1 Brand Utah.

If interested, ask your Co-op or Michigan Farm Bureau Brand No. 2 Utah Alfalfa. If you have no co-op, write us.

MICHIGAN STATE FARM BUREAU
Seed Dept., Lansing, Mich.

CERTIFIED RURAL CHICKS



From thoroughbred stock that has been consistently bred for High Flock Average, thoroughly culled by experts, and then certified by the Michigan Baby Chick Association. Ask for our large free illustrated catalog showing pictures of our birds, breeding establishments, etc. It also tells you what rigid tests our birds were put to before certification.

Scores of Farm Bureau members were highly pleased with our chick last year and we are receiving letters almost daily reporting the gratifying results and the high egg production experienced with our stock during the past winter.

You take no chances. We guarantee 100% live arrival of strong healthy chicks and pay all charges to your door. START NOW with our noted, tested, and tried strain. It will mean many extra dollars to you next winter.

We can book your order for shipment on any Monday during April or May at the following prices:

English S. C. White Leghorns mated to the famous Hollywood males whose dams had records of 250 to 280 eggs in—
English S. C. White Leghorns, Rural Mated.....\$15.00 per 100 chicks, one year.....\$13.00

S. C. Brown Leghorns.....\$14.00 per 100
S. C. Mottled Anconas.....15.00 per 100
Barred Rocks.....18.00 per 100
Mixed Broiler Chicks.....8.00 per 100

DISCOUNT: 1/2c per chick in 500 lots, 1c per chick in 100 lots. You need to enclose only 1/2c with the order and can pay the balance 10 days before shipping date. Forward your order to

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Market Your Poultry to a Better Advantage!

If you want to get the highest market prices for your live poultry—

Ship to Detroit to the Michigan Farm Bureau Produce Exchange. Detroit is one of the largest live poultry consuming centers. The trade demands Michigan poultry and it is willing to pay the price for it. Ship now and get some of the highest prices of the year.

Large numbers of fat hens will be needed for the Jewish holidays at Easter time. We need large shipments of capons and broilers.

If you are a shipper of poultry and want reliable service and the best prices, this is the place to get them.

We specialize in live poultry and also handle large quantities of eggs and dressed veal.

Write us for shipping tags.

If you want higher and quicker returns, bill your next and succeeding shipments to

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Raise More Chicks---Get More Eggs the Year Around

With the Farm Bureau's Public Formula Poultry Feeds

Every Farm Bureau member who likes to make a good thing of his poultry will find what he has been looking for in the Farm Bureau's public formula poultry feeds. They are Michigan Chick Feed, Michigan Buttermilk Chick Mash, Michigan Buttermilk Egg Mash. Every ingredient is listed on the tag, pound for pound.

These feeding formulas were prepared by Prof. E. C. Foreman of the Michigan Agricultural College Poultry Dept., Michigan's leading authority on poultry feeding, management and egg production. Thousands of farmers know him for his work.

Start your chicks with Michigan Chick Feed. In a few days they will be ready for Michigan Buttermilk Chick Mash.

For egg production feed your hens what's in the egg. Michigan Buttermilk Egg Mash has these ingredients in the correct proportions. No combination of grains alone is a complete egg forming feed. Hens need protein to produce the "whites." Experiments show that 100 lbs. of ordinary grain rations produce 224 yolks and only 154 whites, the limiting factor. Michigan Buttermilk Egg Mash is 20% protein, the kinds the hen needs to keep up egg production.

MICH. CHICK FEED	MICH. BUTTERMILK CHICK MASH	MICH. BUTTERMILK EGG MASH
E. C. Foreman's Formula	E. C. Foreman's Formula	E. C. Foreman's Formula
Protein 11%—Fiber 3%, Fat 3%	Protein 19%—Fiber 7% Fat 4%	Protein 21%—Fiber 7%, Fat 4 1/2%
Cracked Wheat.....28 lbs.	Wheat Bran.....25 lbs.	Corn Meal.....20 lbs.
Cracked Corn.....42 "	White Middlings.....12 "	Wheat Bran.....20 "
Steel Cut Oats.....28 "	Corn Meal.....15 "	Oat Flour.....20 "
Granulated Bone.....2 "	Oat Flour.....20 "	White Middlings.....20 "
	Meat Meal.....10 "	Meat Meal.....18 "
	Powdered Buttermilk.....5 "	Salt.....1 "
	Gluten Feed.....5 "	Calcium Carbonate.....1 "
	O. P. Oil Meal.....5 "	
	Calcium Carbonate.....2 "	
	Salt.....1 "	
100 lbs.	100 lbs.	100 lbs.