# Farm Bureau's 1956 Goal is 70,000 Families

## What MFB Did at 36th Convention

The 36th annual meeting of the Michigan Farm Bureau at Michigan State University Nov. 10-11 brought together 660 voting delegates from 64 County Farm Bureaus. They represented the membership of 65,830 farm families.

This is a summary of what the convention did:

1—The delegates heard and approved the annual report of J. F. Yaeger, executive secretary, treasurer and general manager, and the annual report of C. L. Brody, executive vice-president in charge of public affairs. Mr. Yaeger's report is presented on page 1.

2-The convention made recommendations to the American Farm Bureau convention at Chicago in December on the national farm program. The MFB resolutions included full support for flexible price supports and firm opposition to a restoration of rigid 90% of parity price supports and direct production payments.

3—The Michigan Farm Bureau made recommendations for sales and export programs to dispose of farm surpluses. It supported consideration on a temporary basis of the proposed land rental and soil fertility bank programs as methods for bringing farm production more nearly in line with consumption. The national farm policy resolutions are published on page 3 of this edi-

4—The delegates adopted resolutions of policy and program on highways, schools, taxation and many other matters of interest within the state. See page 5 for the resolutions on state affairs.

5-Seven directors of a board of 15 were elected for two year terms, as follows:

District 1-In this district Max K. Hood of Paw Paw. Ban Buren county, was elected in a close contest with the veteran Russell Hazel of Richland, Kalamazoo county.

District 3-Allen F. Rush of Lake Orion, Oakland county, will represent this district. He succeeds Herman Howeisen of Clinton, Washtenaw county. Mr. Howeisen retired.

District 5-Dale Dunckel of Williamston, Ingham county, was elected to succeed Marten Garn of Charlotte, Eaton county, long a member of the board.

District 7-Thomas Hahn of Rodney, Mecosta county, was re-elected.

District 9-Ren A. DeRuiter of McBain, Missaukee county, was re-elected.

Director-at-large: Walter W. Wightman, of Fennville, Allegan county, was re-elected.

Women of Farm Bureau-Mrs. Carlton Ball of Albion. Calhoun county, was re-elected.

The board of directors will organize by electing a president and vice-president at their next regular meeting. The present officers are: President, Ward G. Hodge, of Snover, Sanilac county; vice-president, Blaque Knirk of Quincy, Branch county.

The board re-engaged J. F. Yaeger as executive secretary, treasurer, and general manager. C. L. Brody was re-engaged as executive vice-president in charge of pub-

## AFBF 37th Annual Meeting Dec. 11-15

Michigan will be represented by about 175 persons at the 37th annual meeting of the American Farm Bureau Federation at Chicago, December 11 - 15.

The most important business of the convention will be the consideration and adoption of resolutions of Farm Bureau policy on national and international issues.

This meeting is the climax of Bureaus. months of study, discussion and debate by the Community, County and State Farm Bureaus. The resolutions adopted on national will be national policy for the entire Farm Bureau organization. This year the AFBF convention will elect a president, a vicepresident, and several members to the board of directors.

Those attending from Michigan for the various meetings and conferences will include: Michigan Farm Bureau board of directors, MFB company and division heads, member service staff eleven top ranking agents from the insurance companies, and many leaders from County Farm

Voting delegates from Michigan are these members of the state board of directors: Ward G. Hodge, Robert E. Smith, Gleason farm policy and other matters Halliwill, Albert A. Brindley, and Albert Shellenbarger.

Convention headquarters will be at the Sherman hotel. General sessions will be at the Civic Opera House. Conferences and other meetings will be at the Sherman and Morrison hotels.

Registration starts at the Sherman Sunday. Several meetings will be held for women, young people, and insurance groups.

Monday, Dec. 12, these pre-(Continued on page 2.)



ness as a window exhibit in one larity of this exhibit at the Green- play by the buyers. of the well-known restaurants in field restaurant encourages more

This display from the State Fair been sold, with no further use of earn such award, and they will dairy products exhibit; Charles

of this work next year. The Fair shared by D. L. Murray, dairy Briggs Dairy Products Sales or- this month. In past years the dairy products will furnish blue ribbons for the extension specialist at MSU and ganization of Detroit.

# as a Year of Growth

J. F. YAEGER

Executive Secretary of the Michigan Farm Bureau

Annual report to the 36th annual meeting of the board of delegates of the Michigan Farm Bureau at Michigan State University, November 10-11, 1955.

The Package of the Michigan Farm Bureau continues to grow in all dimensions:

The membership of the Michigan Farm Bureau hit a new high this past year when 65,830 farm families in this state joined hands "to do together what none can do alone."

Farm supply volume of Farm Bureau Services, Inc., totaled \$21,500,000 to top last year's by nearly a million dollars. This is testimony to the confidence Michigan farmers have in the Farm Bureau Services, Inc., program of guaranteed quality

Growth of Farm Bureau insurances continues to be spectacular. Fifty-five thousand automobile insurance policies mark a new high in this service to Farm Bureau members only.

Four thousand fire insurance policies protect \$45,000,000 worth of farm property. The fire insurance program is just over one year old.

The Farm Bureau Life Insurance Company, starting four years ago, has written 22,000 policies providing life insurance benefits of \$54,000,000. The 1960 goal is set at \$100,000,000.

Farmers Petroleum Cooperative, Inc., the fourth "service to members" subsidiary of the Michigan Farm Bureau, reached a new high with \$4,716,802 volume during the past fiscal year.

This company now owns or has a substantial interest in 182 operating oil wells located in central Michigan and southern Illinois. Two wells were drilled in 1955 on our lease in the Headquarters field in Roscommon county, Michigan. Both wells are excellent producers. We are continuing drilling operations in this field.

This program of securing crude petroleum so as to assure Michigan farmers a known source for quality oil, gasoline and fuel oil will continue during the years ahead. The goal is to own or control a sufficient amount of crude oil which, when refined, will meet 75% of our distribution require-

Policy making in the Farm Bureau was carried on in 1474 Comnunity Farm Bureau meetings in 65 counties. This means that for every week day of each month there was an average of 69 groups meeting to discuss vital farm An average of 25,000 to 30,000 members attend each

More than 10,000 voluntary leaders serve as members of County Farm Bureau Boards, as community officers and as voluntary membership workers. Organization activities began this year in the Upper Peninsula in Delta and Menominee counties.

The Women of Farm Bureau have organized committees in every Farm Bureau county. Projects in which the Women of Farm Bureau participated in the past year included: "Pennies for convention meetings will be held: Friendship," an American Country Women of the World project in

which the Michigan Farm Bureau women collected over \$1100, being. Life Insurance Company has been farm 'people working together one of the highest groups in the organized it has paid over United States; nurse recruitment \$113,000 in death claims; \$46,000 program collecting over \$300; Sis- dividends to stockholders, and to secure additional benefits. ter Kenny program with a collec- \$170,000 in dividends to policytion of over \$600; and a collection of over \$1200 for the Japanese

The Junior Farm Bureau memreported in August. New Junior modern office buildings, bringing Farm Bureaus were organized in together for the first time in the Branch and Cheboygan counties. history of the Farm Bureau all

camp at Clear Lake; an annual cafeteria at the Ionia County Fair; a fruit juice stand at the has been much improved. Michigan State Fair; and responsi-

in Farm Bureau Services, Inc., the and are protected by \$4,000,000 of

Steel, twine, and creosoted poles sales were up. Paint and asphalt roofing sales showed a decline, These are the primary commod-



J. F. YAEGER

Services, Inc. They account for \$12,542,969 of the total wholesale

increased from \$1,500,000 to field. nearly \$6,000,000 with total volume increasing from \$9,000,000 to \$21,638,000 and total assets from \$1,800,000 to \$8,678,000.

Farm Bureau insurance "service-to-member only" programs improved services, a good return on investment, with a general dividend program to an ever in- process. creasing number of policyholders.

Total assets for the Farm Bu-Bureau Mutual Insurance Company, organized in 1948, and \$310,000 in the Farm Bureau Life Insurance Company organized in

To date 55,000 automobile policies are held by Farm Bureau expansion lies ahead. Accomplishmembers. In the four years the ments to date are the result of Posen

A major accomplishment of the two insurance companies this past year was the erection of a new ership campaign, closing June 15, office building just out of the city 1955, resulted in an enrollment of of Lansing on Highway US-16. 1,232 members, with another 576 The building is one of the most State activities during the year employees and activities in the ncluded a leadership training Lansing area. As a result efficiency of operation and improved services to Farm Bureau people

A special feature of the Life researcher. bility for the "milk bar" at the Company is the introduction of Michigan State Fair which was a low cost group insurance to Farm project of the American Dairy Bureau members in nine counties. ers and insecticides where freez- lan, Hubbardston. Four thousand members have ing temperatures won't hit them A review of the year's activities taken advantage of this benefit this winter.

first of the subsidiaries of Farm life insurance. The Farm Bureau Bureau to be organized, shows Life Insurance Company has also that fertilizer sales increased 46%. provided group life insurance for Feed held its own. Seed sales Farm Bureau employees totaling showed a dollar volume increase \$1,122,000. Ninety percent of all of this opportunity.

The total number of employees of the various Farm Companies, exclusive of insurance agents, is ities handled by Farm Bureau ties throughout the State. 722. They work in 34 communi-

> Farmers Petroleum Cooperative, its service companies. Inc., is the direct bulk-plant to farm delivery service started last year as a pilot operation. Savings possible through this selfmand that is rapidly developing the program on a state-wide basis

are being delivered to farmers by transport truck direct from refinery, terminals, and warehouses.

The legislative program of the Michigan Farm Bureau is unique in that Michigan is the only state that has a department devoting itself to national legislation as well as to state legislation. Contacts are maintained in Washington with not only members of Congress, but with Cabinet officials and, in fact, with advisors to the President himself. Statedecade shows farmer investment AFBF officers and staff that point

A tabulation of the accomplishments at the state level in 1955 show that 32 bills favored by the Michigan Farm Bureau were passed by both branches of the legislature. Twenty-four measures have resulted in broad benefits, opposed by the Michigan Farm Bureau were defeated at some stage during

on, representing farmers through reau Mutual and Farm Bureau organized effort, presenting the Life Insurance Companies are in rural point of view, not only to excess of \$6,000,000. This is a state and national law making growth from \$236,000 in the Farm bodies, but to leaders of other economic groups as well.

> As was stated in the beginning, growth and service during the nie. last year has been good. Opportunity for additional services and Pullman. through organized effort.

Continued cooperation is bound

## MILK IN SCHOOLS

More than 90 per cent of Michigan's school children are now. drinking milk under the special federal program.

### BULK MILK TANK If you're thinking of buying a

bulk milk tank, be sure to consider one that will take care of future herd expansion.

WINTER EGGS

It pays to keep eggs in a storage cooler even in the winter months. says Larry Dawson, MSU poultry

Store liquid chemical weed kill-

## **Drive for 11,830** New Members

Who is Not Now a Member to Join And Share in the Benefits EINAR E. UNGREN

Workers Want to Invite Every Farmer

Five thousand Farm Bureau Roll Call workers will carry the invitation to Farm Bureau membership to farmers the week of December 5 to 12.

The state goal is 70,000 family memberships.

Roll Call workers will devote themselves to securing 11,830 new members. They want to invite every farmer not now a member of Farm Bureau to join the organization and to share in the benefits.

All present Farm Bureau members have received no tices of 1956 dues by mail. More than 11,000 were was given new life and effective- their promotion value. The popus accompany the products for dis- Stone, secretary-manager of the paid in the first week. We urge every member to co Credit for this promotion is gan, and Gordon Briggs of the operate by mailing his dues to the County Secretary

> Roll Call managers, area men, and captains from more than 1,000 townships in 64 counties were to attend the Farm Bureau Jamboree day at Lansing's new Civic Audi torium December 2 to launch the Roll Call.

County Farm Bureau kick-off meetings for Roll Call vorkers are scheduled for December 5.

Why be a member of Farm Bureau?

To join hands with 70,000 farm families in Michigan over that of a year ago totaling employees have taken advantage and 1,600,000 farm families in Farm Bureau in the nation "to do together what none can do alone."

The benefits are many.

This edition carries on page I the annual report of Mr. J. F. Yaeger, executive secretary, on the services A new development of the in 1955 to members by the Michigan Farm Bureau and

More than 42,000 farm families have Blue Cross hospital-surgical-medical insurance on the group plan serve program has created a de- through their Community Farm Bureaus. Of great importance in the national issues of the day

where service through local pe- is what Congress will do about national farm policy in 1956. The Farm Bureau is spokesman for 1,600,000 ducts farm families who have shaped its policy.

We present the Michigan Farm Bureau resolutions on national farm policy, national and international affairs (see page 3). We present the resolutions on state affairs (see page 5). The resolutions were adopted at the 36th annual meeting Nov. 10-11.

These are part of the Farm Bureau program which is the call to membership for 1956.

The success of any program in Farm Bureau is dependent upon the Farm Bureau organization in the counties A comparison over the last ments have been made by the and the states. We need a strong majority of farm famin Farm Bureau Services has to Michigan as a leader in this ilies. Such an organization has power in Congress and elsewhere. Invite your neighbors to join Farm Bureau.

> Why do people join Farm Bureau? Because of information on the Farm Bureau program—and a personal invitation to join. Most members explain why they joined by saying that someone invited them to join.

Our best wishes and sincere appreciation go to the the legislative Roll Call managers, area men, township captains and team workers in 64 County Farm Bureaus. They are And so Farm Bureau marches the builders of the world's largest and most influential farm organization.

> Following is the list of County Farm Bureaus, their 1956 membership goals, and the Roll Call managers: Alcona-Goal 382, Roll Call Eaton - 1586, Darrell Bacon Manager, Ronald Lombard, Glen- Mulliken.

Allegan-2289, Russel Latchaw, Alpena-609, Harvey Hanson,

Antrim - 510, Duncan Crawford, Ellsworth Arenac-471, Ernest Kraushaar,

Barry-1308, Farrell S. Jenkns, Bellevue Bay-1606, Herb Schmidt, Bay Benzie - 241, Collins Reed,

Beulah. Berrien - 2519, Ed Hass, Berrien Springs. Branch-1745, Peter Knight, Sherwood. Calhoun - 1613, Carl Heisler,

Albion. Cass - 1046, Chester Ball, Do-

Charlevoix-410, Louis Jones, Boyne City. Cheboygan-310, Jack Savella,

Cheboygan. Mrs. Edith Raymond, Clare. Clinton - 1648, Robert McMil-

Delta-100, Wesley Hawley, Es-

Tawas City. Blanchard, Jackson-1254, Mrs. Fred Day Clark Lake. Kalamazoo-1271, Carleton Horsfall, Scotts

Emmet - 337, George Wanna

Genesee—1593, Arthur Forbush

Gladwin-438, Mrs. Gretta Ber-

Gratiot-1585, Raymond J

Hillsdale - 1654, Ken Wirick

Huron - 2129, Irvin Romzek

Ingham - 1254, Mrs. Dorothy

Ionia - 1377, Lester Covert

Iosco-259, Thomas P. Netkie

maker, Petoskey

ry, Gladwin.

Welsh, Elwell

Surato, Mason

Ruth.

Kalkaska Kent-1770, Otto Fischer and Elton Smith, Caledonia, R 1.

Kalkaska-128, Foster McCool

Lapeer - 1696, Mrs. Horace Davis, Lapeer. Lenawee-1804, Marian Good-

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PURPOSE OF FARM

BUREAU

The purpose of this Associa-on shall be the advancement our members' interests edu-

legislatively,

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the answer is.

d DECIDE

Michigan Farm Bureau

DISTRICT DIRECTORS DISTRICT DIRECTORS

1—Max K. Hood.....Paw Paw, R-1

2—Blaque Knirk.......Quincy, R-1

3—Allen F. Rush.....Lake Orion, R-1

4—A. Shellenbarger...L. Odessa, R-1

5—Dale Dunckel ....Williamston, R-1

6—Ward G. Hodge .....Snover, R-1

7—Thomas Hahn.......Rodney, R-1

8—Kenneth Johnson...Freeland, R-2

9—Ren A. DeRuiter....McBain, R-1

10—A. A. Brindley...W. Branch, R-3

DIRECTORS AT LARGE ason E. Halliwill......Gladwin, R-4 ert E. Smith......Fowlerville, R-2 ter Wightman.....Fennville, R-1

Representing WOMEN OF FARM BUREAU Mrs. Cariton Ball.....Albion, R-1

Representing
JUNIOR FARM BUREAU
Paul Leipprandt



# Bureaus

Coordinator of Community Farm Bureau for MFB

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munity Farm Bureau group is doing with your discussion?

We have had the opportunity the past several weeks to meet with quite a number of Community group leaders. We find this situation

"Why aren't the discussion topics more interesting?

already in agreement as to what about it.

"How do you get people to

Everyone who has ever had a the position sometime where at the present time 1,487 groups conversation with a friend or some legislation is enacted that in the State. neighbor has been discussing.

Think back today and remember how many times you have discussed something with some-

Can't we apply this principle very easily to our Community group discussion period? One of the biggest fallacies all other liberties."

about discussion is that there needs to be an argument, or two distinct sides to the question.

This is not so!

Very satisfying and educational discussion can be held by ex-

ploring the subject. Yes, we all agree, but why? Many times we have definite ideas about the right and wrong of certain issues, but we haven't explored the issues well enough to be able to defend our position

in a showdown. It is not good enough to just have a position; we must know why and be able to defend it.

Many of the discussion topics attend. fall in the category of education-

Life Agents

Made News

In November

All roads led to East Lansing

on November 8 when Farm Bu-

reau Insurance Companies held its

meeting for agents and their wives

and county insurance committee

Five chartered buses, starting

from Petoskey, Alpena, Bad Axe,

Benton Harbor, and Adrian, pro-

vided transportation for the trip

to East Lansing and the return in

Charter Policy. Highlight of the

day's activities was the announce-

ment of the re-opening of Farm Bureau Charter Life to charter

policyholders and members of

reau Insurance Companies.

Charter Life presentation.

organized in 1951.

Soul."

the evening of the same day.

members and their wives.

# Community Farm

Dear Community Farm Bureau Members: "To discuss is to sift or examine by presenting considerations pro and con," according to Webster's dictionary. Is this what your Com-

"We can't get an argument because we either don't know enough

discuss when they don't want cuse."

we don't like; it won't help Discussion is a basic element of much to say "we didn't know."

> Farm Bureau gives you through Community Farm Bureaus. The your Community Group discus- secretary alone cannot get this sion topics to become better in- award for your group; it takes formed about the programs and cooperation and participation on issues that concern farmers. Mac- the part of all the officers and aulay said, "The liberty of dis- members of your Community cussion is the great safeguard of group to make yours not only a

> munity Group Roster Committee Bureau groups be worthy of a should be functioning. This Com- Gold or Silver Star award this mittee has the responsibility of year. getting on the group roster all those who are considered members of your Community group. In small groups this is not a hard munity Group, Mrs. Mae Echjob, but in large groups it neces- mair, Secretary. sitates considerable work.

One of the important things is to be sure and get all of the 19-20-year-olds who are considered a part of the group on the roster. Most of the counties will be having Roster Committee meeting in December. If you are on the Roster Committee be sure and

al topics. In these cases it might are being organized. We wish to Schuyler, Secretary. be well to use questions or have | welcome all of these new groups | Oakland county, West Farmthe members participate in find- into the Farm Bureau family. ington Community Group, Mrs. ing out what they know about Since the first of September, 31 Helen Williams, Secretary. new groups have been organized. Saginaw county, Pioneer Com-It is not a very good excuse Delta county is leading with the munity Group, Mrs. Alex Kazak, plants at Saginaw & Kalamazoo. cperations for FBS. to say, we didn't discuss the topic organization of 7 groups, and Secretary.

about the topic or everyone is because we didn't know enough | VanBuren is second with 4. Congratulations to those responsible The Court will tell you that in Delta and Van Buren. Only 28 "ignorance of the law is no ex- groups have failed to send in setup sheets for new officers. This We as farm people may be in is a very good record. We have

> We are very happy again to be able to award some Silver and Take the opportunity that Gold Star awards to outstanding successful, but an outstanding Now is the time that your Com- group. May all Community Farm

### Gold Star

Midland county, Hope Com-

Washtenaw county, Superior Community Group, Mrs. Emory Mulholland, Secretary.

## Silver Star

Calhoun county, Duck Lake Community Group, Mrs. Dorothy Heisler, Secretary.

New Community Farm Bureaus Community Group, Mrs. Forrest in 1940 at the farm supply store came superintendent there, and



their immediate families. The NILE L. VERMILLION, manager of the Farm Bureau Life announcement was made by N. L. Insurance Company, presents the Pace Setter Trophy to Robert Vermillion, manager of Farm Bu- Lucal, agency manager for Ingham county. Mr. Lucal wrote more than \$250,000 of life insurance during the Grand Sweepstakes Ivan Allison, assistant sales sales contest Sept. 26 through November 8. manager, made the complete

He was followed on the program Wilbur Lohr, agency manager for the annual meeting and will by Sam Rhymer, former general Monroe county, was presented report. agent in Ottawa county. He with a trophy in honor of his top spoke on "Selling Charter Life." performance in the 1954 October

Sam, now retired, was a top pro- Life Campaign. ducer of charter life when the More than 260 agents, insurance this fall and winter. During the Farm Bureau Life Company was committee members, and wives big membership week they plan on attended this highly successful building the membership around meeting. Joseph LoBosco of Ontario.

### talk on life insurance. The title Farm Bureau in of his speech was "Body and Upper Peninsula WESLEY S. HAWLEY

An excellent talk on "Marketing" was presented by Professor Earl McIntyre of the M.S.U.

meeting also marked the close of ning their activities. The second to organize the county before the "1955 Grand Sweepstakes," meeting of the board will be held Jan. 1, 1956. The committee is Farm Bureau Life's annual Octo- this week at President Ford's meeting this week. Menominee

Journalism Department.

Canada, gave an inspirational

win the "Pace Setter" trophy, and Mrs. Vernon Wick attended Delta now has eleven Com-

munity Farm Bureaus and expects to organize two or three more these new groups to the desired size. The desire seems to be to have groups of about ten families as the proper size for home meet-

Menominee county is making The new Delta County Farm real progress. The advisory com-Bureau board is now in the mittee expects to have fifteen new process of getting themselves groups organized by December 15. Sweepstakes. The statewide properly organized to start plan- They now have 12. They want

GUTTER PLOW Barn Cleaner. 5-

MAPLE SYRUP PRODUCERS

Farm Bureau Life's annual October campaign.

Robert Lucal, agency manager for Ingham county, set a tremendous pace with \$258,125 of life insurance during the contest to this week at President Ford's home. The county agreement will be adopted, committee chairmen will be selected and a report of the Michigan Farm Bureau Annual meeting will be given. Mr.

meeting this week. Menominee will put on a new member campaign during the big week and build up around the new groups to about ten member families.

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The sights and sounds of Christmas are the poet's frequent theme They typify that season most uniquely, it would seem. The birthday of the Christ Child calls to mind the sound of bells, While the sight of laughing children of a happy season tells. But, just now I want to emphasize another simple sense; I sing the smells of Christmas, all its happy homely scents.

Remember how the parlor smelled, that bore the Glorious Tree? The tang of balsam needles still means Christmas time to me. Remember how the candle smoke pervaded all the place Like incense of the blessed day for all the human race. Remember how the organges that swelled your stocking out Bore scents of far off sunnier lands, for boys to dream about.

Remember how the pantry shelves were redolent with spice. The pantry, strictly out of bounds for boys, but oh so nice. The perfume of the walnut cake, the pies so brown and rich Caused the youthful mouth to water, made the youthful nostrils

The berry tarts might not be touched, but gee their elfin smell Wrung avid swallows from my throat, as I remember well.

The kitchen was a scented dream on that momentous day Where Mother and the senior aunts held undisputed sway. As Mother dealt the sagey bird an unctuous libation My senses lapped the odor up. A glorious sensation. While over all, and cloying sweet, the Christmas pudding steam Still permeates, as way back then, the fabric of my dream.

Oh, Christmas is a time to live close to the heart of youth. For Jesus came, a little Child, to bring the light of truth. Still to the young in heart His Word seems evermore addressed To bring to happy people, joy, and to the weary, rest. Then ring again the carillon and peal the holy bells And dream of lovely olden times, and sights, and sounds, and

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

## FB Services Promotes



Farmers here are enthused Farm Bureau.

ADOLPH ECKLUND of Lan-, JOHN SEXSON of Lansing sing became manager of the new was promoted November 1 to be Division of Engineering and Con- manager of the Plant Food Manstruction November 1. It will ufacturing Division to succeed plan and construct plant, ware- Adolph Feklund. Mr. Sexson was Howell. house and other facilities for first employed by Farm Bureau Farm Bureau Services. Mr. Eck- Services in 1946 at the fertilizer Kalamazoo county, Double C.K. lund was first employed by FBS plant at Saginaw. In 1952 he beat Traverse City. In 1946 he be- in 1954 was named acting mancame superintendent of the fert- ager of the Plant Food Division ilizer plant at Saginaw, and in during Mr. Ecklund's illness. Both 1952 manager of the Plant Food appointments were announced by Manufacturing Division with Keith A. Tanner, manager of

counties want to take advantage about the Farm Bureau and are of the Farm Bureau Institute in responding well to the invitation January and have some committee to join in the new Community chairmen present for that training Farm Bureaus. We can all look to build the kind of programs that members will be satisfied with. forward to real growth and progress in the Upper Peninsula in

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west city limits. Phone IV-70893.

(12-1t-23p)

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gutter models. Low cost. Easily installed. Write us for free literature,
stating items. Milk coolers, cow stalls,
parlors, pens, feed cart, wash tanks,
water heater, ventilation, automatic
poultry feeders, hog feeders. OttawaHitch, Box 321, Holland, Michigan.

(12-2t-47b)

FOR ORDERS placed in December for KING evaporators a cash discount is granted. Plan now for your 1956 syrup season. Take advantage of this saving. Also, order now needed smoke stack and grates for replacement. Be sure. Be ready for 1958. Write now to Sugar Bush Supplies Company, P. O. Box 1107, Lansing 4, Michigan. (12-tf-52b)

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U.S. CERTIFIED, pullorum clean Leghorn Chicks. With present favorable feed-egg ratio early hatched chicks will be most profitable. During each of the past four years, 70 per cent or more of our trapped birds were approved under U.S.R.O.P. Few breeders have a better record. During each of the past four years, the average blood spot record by candling on all of our eggs marketed at a federal egg grading station were less than one half of one per cent. Strains with low blood spot records are important when producing quality eggs. For literature and prices write Hamilton Poultry Farms, Hamilton, Michigan. Phone Hamilton 2171. (10-3t-100b)

FOR SALE—Executive-type solid oak roll-top desk. Excellent condition. 38 inches wide by 66 inches long. A bargain at \$35. Your delivery. See it at Sugar Bush Supplies Company of fice, 4109 West Saginaw Street, Lansing. (12-tf-30b)

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## HIRAM and Secretaries of Co. Farm Bur Co. Farm Bureaus

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## Garden Seed Dep't Program for 1956

The Farm Bureau Services garden seed department says that in early 1956 it will pack and deliver Farm Bureau garden seeds to more than 100 Farm Bureau and cooperative dealers.

The seeds have been contracted with the most reliable growers of vegetable and flower seeds in the nation. One of its western growers will supply a carload of seeds. Many smaller shipments Kent-Mrs. Arvil Heilman, 204 will be received from growers

The department had a big growth in the sales of bulk and packet vegetable and flower seeds in 1955 from its Lansing and Grand Rapids warehouses. More Farm Bureau seed dealers are Stevens, 214 N. Walnut St., taking on the vegetable and flower seeds line.

## Services Elects **Garn President**

Marten Garn of Charlotte was re-elected president of Farm Bu- Directors re-elected: Mr. Garn, Mecosta-Mrs. Margaret Fitz- reau Services, Inc., at the 26th Mr. Parsons, Peter H. DeWeerd, annual meeting at Michigan State Ward G. Hodge, Blaque Knirk, Midland - Mrs. Roy Varner, University Nov. 29. Ivan Par- Albert Shellenbarger, Elton R. sons of Grand Blanc was re-elected vice-president. Kenneth summary of FBS report, see an-O. Johnson of Freeland is a new nual report of J. F. Yaeger, exec-

### Farm Bureau's 1956 Goal

(Continued from Page 1) lock, Jr. and Clyde Vollmer, Man-Livingston - 1214, Ed Holmes,

Howell. Macomb-1294, Anthony Rapes, Washington.

Manistee-334, Charles Brown, Dnekama.

Mason-710, James Fitch, Ludngton. Mecosta - 896, Harold McCal-

um, Evart. Midland - 678, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Clarke, Coleman.

Missaukee-491, Charley Boven, McBain. Monroe - 1482, Wilbur Smith,

Montcalm - 1267, Lee Frisbie, Sidney. Montmorency-193, Beaman

Smith, Atlanta. Muskegon - 576, Alice Allen, Bailey. Newaygo - 804, Lafe Waters

and Koos Karnematt, Fremont. N. W. Mich .- 1123, George Mc-Mannus, Traverse City. Oakland - 1237, Seeley Tins-

nan, Fenton. Oceana - 819, George Flemming, Shelby. Ogemaw - 417, Don Winslow, West Branch.

Osceola-733, Jesse T. Smith, Evart. Otsego - 163, Gene Flemming, Gaylord.

Ottawa-1697, D. H. S. Rymer,

Spring Lake. Presque Isle-498, Ervin Flemming, Hawks. Saginaw-2380, Walter Frahm,

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Wayne - 747, Walter Scott,

Romulus. Wexford - 352, Frances (Ed) Manor, Mesick.

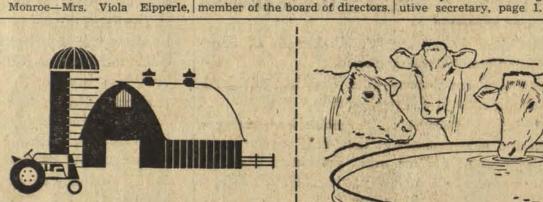
### **AFBF Annual** At Chicago (Continued from Page 1)

annual meeting of American Farm Bureau Women; commodity conferences for dairy, poultry, livestock, field crops, fruit and vegetables industries. Other conferences are: Land and water use; organization; insurance, young

General sessions open Tuesday morning with the annual report of Secretary Roger Fleming and the annual address by President Charles B. Shuman. John A. Hannah, president of Michigan State University, is one

speak to the convention Wednesday as it moves toward its work

of the national leaders who will



## FARM **FACTS**

from MICHIGAN BELL



## How to remove candle wax

To remove spilled candle wax from your best tablecloth, scrape off as much as you can with a dull knife. Then, put the stained spot between two white blotters, cleaning tissue, or paper towels, and press with a warm iron. Use fresh materials when the first ones become soiled with the melted wax. If some wax remains, Michigan State University experts suggest sponging out the rest with carbon tetrachloride or other grease solvent.



More water means more milk

If you turn your cows outside in winter, give

them a water tank heater for Christmas.

Michigan State University dairymen point out that high-producing cows will give 4 per cent more milk if they have free access to a con-

stant supply of fresh water. That's in contrast to just watering them twice a day. And,

the dairymen say, cows will drink more if the

Planning to drive over to see some friends to pass Holiday greetings? To make sure they're home, call them first. Or perhaps there's some special gift you'd like to pick up in town. Your telephone can help you locate it before you drive in. During the Christmas rush - and year round - your telephone can do so much to make things easier. That's one reason your telephone is worth a lot more than it costs.

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# MFB Recommendations on Nat'l Farm Program

## Our Stand on U.S. & World Affairs

The Situation. Political expediency and unwise paternalistic government farm programs have carried our economy far toward a nationalized agriculture. The development of policies that will reverse this trend and eventually restore the freedom of the farmer is the objective of the Michigan Farm Bureau.

Subsidized agricultural production of basic and other crops has stimulated the growing of great surpluses and largely defeated the efforts of farmers to adjust their operations to peacetime market conditions. These surpluses in government storage for which there is no adequate market have had a depressing effect on farm price

Farm income has not kept pace with rising farm expenses. Billions of dollars of government funds by Congressional enactment have been poured into agriculture since 1947 in the form of rigid 90% of parity price supports and in other attendant expenses. Yet, net farm income has continued to decline.

The abundant prosperity of non-farm industries, stimulated by easy credit policies combined with ultra-liberal labor-management wage agreements, have been reflected in mounting costs of farm equipment, supplies and other expenses. The inability of the farmer under prevailing economic conditions and relationships to pass his increased costs on to the purchasers of his products, as is done in other industries, has precipitated a cost-price squeeze on agriculture.

The situation is further complicated by the continued trend toward larger farms, necessitated by the increased capital investment required per farm unit in modern commercial farm management. This is resulting in growing confusion, unhappiness and discontent on the part of many operators of small or marginal farms. It is becoming increasingly impractical for small or marginal and that all wheat producers farmers to compete with larger capitalized farm enter-

lems does not lie in selling our

votes for greater handouts from

schemes of politicians, dema-

gogues and subversives designed

to confuse and mislead farm peo

We cannot afford to continue to

follow the course that has led to

our present unprecedented diffi-

culties if we would remain free.

ilture must be faced Inevita

balance with consumption must

fore, this Board of Delegates

pledges the full power and facili-

to the accomplishment of the

effective sales and export pro-

ing volume of quality products;

for the production of higher

quality products by varying

price supports in accordance

with grade of commodity pro-

(4) The judicious contribution

of excess commodities to relieve

hunger, distress and human

without neutralizing commercial

(5) Reduce ocean transporta-

nations including "Iron Curtain"

(7) We strongly commend the

through such programs as the

one of the most effective means

(8) We are strongly opposed to

further development of extensive

Federal irrigation and reclama-

ing production to demand;

trade opportunities;

Surpluses:

products:

duced;

The stark realities of restoring

ple in this critical situation.

We deplore the deceptive

the federal treasury.

Constructive efforts to bring The solution of our grave probagricultural production in line with demand and free the farmer from bureaucratic dictation are being seriously baffled by the demagoguery of politicians, leftist agitators and subversives. Candidates for office in 1956 are capitalizing on prejudice and misunderstanding. They are more prolific than ever before in their promises to promote policies for handing out increased amounts of taxpayer's dollars to buy the

This complex combination of a market-place economy in agrigricultural surpluses, cost-price squeeze, declining net farm in- readjustments that will permit come, revolutionary changes in and encourage farm production size of farm unit and farm pro- to be brought into reasonable duction methods, deceptive political expediency of politicians, the be allowed to take place. Theresocialistic schemes of leftist groups and government planners, and the undermining influences of subversive, communist doctrines constitute a precarious dilfollowing projects:

Unsound bureaucratic programs have been years in creating our present predicament. Working out of it will be difficult and will require time. There is no quick and easy solution. However, we still have the opportunity to choose in which direction. we shall point the policies of the Michigan Farm Bureau.

There is no enduring, worthwhile future for the American farmer and his family in indefinitely continuing to grow commodities for government storage instead of for satisfying human

Government - subsidized farm programs inseparably involve federal dictation and regimenta-



MAIL DUES to your County Farm Bureau Secretary. See page ernment purchasing of unsup- acreage involved.

in waste or spoilage of food.

Price Supports. Retention of flexible price supports based upon a modern parity formula in place of the 1910-14 basis. The Michigan Farm Bureau is unalterably opposed to the restoration of rigid 90% parity price supports and direct production

Land Rental and Soil Fertility Bank. Consider removing land Under the present unsatisfactory ture. conditions, it might be less costly and more constructive to use federal funds to store fertility in the soil rather than to finance excess commodities in government storage. A soil fertility bank might be warranted as a temporary stopgap. It could be drawn upon in case of national emer-

Diverted Acres, Cross Compli ance and Exemption From Penalties. Provide incentives for cross compliance to prevent acres diverted from supported crops from growing surpluses of unsupported commodities.

Enact legislation to exempt from marketing quotas farms on which wheat is grown only for food, feed or seed, so long as all such wheat is used on such farm or farms under the same operation, and that such legislation be substituted for the present law providing for the 15-acre and 200oushel wheat marketing quota exemptions, provided that the operator of such farm or farms shall not be eligible to participate in any price support program affected by marketing quotas be eligible to vote thereon.

Small, Part-Time, and Margintion of the farmer's operations. al Farmers. Support constructive programs for meeting the probems of small, part-time, and marginal farmers. We endorse in principle the program of the USDA assisting low-income

This is comprised of a combination of readjustments, including off-the-farm income, a judicious expansion of Farmers Home Administration loans, provision for economic education, and research projects concerning modern rural community development.

aggressively register Farm Bu- labor. reau influence in support of incultural education, extension and compliance be amended to pronarrow the spread between producer and consumer and to disties of the Michigan Farm Bureau products and lower production

Elimination of Burdensome for Producers and Handlers of self-employed farmers. We urge other than basic crops. A recent that Social Security for self-em-(1) A more intensive and decision by the Federal Trade ployed farmers be converted gram for the disposal of surplus Commission has held that pro- from a compulsory to a volunducers and handlers of other than | tary basis. (2) Stimulate export and dombasic crops are capable of violatestic trade by upgrading the ing the price-fixing law by partiquality of farm commodities by cipating in illegal agreements in measures that assure maintenance restraint of trade, whether their of quality standards essential to announced opening prices are the merchandising of an increas-(3) Provide greater incentives

We believe that a program should be developed which will permit the producers and handlers of other than basic crops to exchange information under clearly illegitimate objectives of governmental supervision with labor organizations. respect to supplies, demands and Industry-wide bargaining has market conditions, and with the degenerated into a practical objective of preventing unwar- monopoly of the products manumisery where it can be done ranted fluctuations in prices and factured in certain areas. This

Cooperative Marketing. The Michigan Farm Bureau will contion costs on agricultural exports tinue to support and protect by amending the Mutual Security Act (P.L. 480) to eliminate the farmers' cooperative marketing organizations, Farm cooperatives 50-50 "Cargo Preference Clause"; (The Export-Import Bank re- are essential agencies in improvquires that 50 per cent of com- ing the quality of agricultural modities financed be shipped in products, lowering the spread U.S. cargo vessels. Rates on ship- from producer to consumer, and ments in U.S. ships are much protecting the bargaining power higher than in foreign bottoms.) of farm producers. (6) Sale of farm produce to all

We deplore the efforts of entrenched interests to secure encountries, particularly where actment of punitive taxation strategic materials are received in measures designed to destroy farm cooperatives. Patronage refunds are the property of the advertising of farm products patron and are not legitimately taxable to the cooperative. The American Dairy Association, as service of farm cooperatives is an essential factor in the disposal of reducing surpluses and adjust- of agricultural surpluses.

Acreage Allotments and Marketing Quotas. Because all growers of a commodity under a martion projects while farm surpluses keting quota are concerned, we are reducing the farmer's income. urge that all producers of the crop be permitted to vote on Government Purchasing. Gov- marketing quotas regardless of

article headed County Farm case of temporary extreme sea-Bureau Secretaries. case of temporary extreme sea-bushels instead of on acres, tributes to non-democratic prac-sonal market gluts to stabilize Acreage allotments have not tices of unions and aids control

invoked only as an emergency increase yields per acre. We, abuses of power; measure of last resort and with therefore, urge that allotments be due regard for its effect on the made definite by change from an next season's production. Such acreage to a bushel basis. Wheat purchasing programs to be allotments should not be based promptly discontinued when the on recent production history reaches a minimum alone. Size of farm should also be stabilized level. Provided, no taken into consideration, as the purchases shall be made for acreage permitted should be in stockpiling or that would result proportion to the total tillable acreage of the farm.

County ASC Committees. The Michigan Farm Bureau expresses its support of the present system of electing county ASC committees. We consider it a responsibility of the Farm Bureau membership to participate fully in electing a high type of personnel to these important committees. Every farmer should vote in these elections. The county committee is responsible for the policies and from production of surplus crops administration of matters of n a government rental basis, greatest importance to agricul-

We commend the change whereby the county committees are functioning as policy making and policy-directing bodies rather than each serving as an employee of the county office.

We commend the appointment of full-time county office managers to carry out the program established by the county com-

Farm Credit. The Federal Farm Credit System as now constituted provides a reasonably adequate source of credit for established farm enterprises and cooper-

stration is providing capital and

The Michigan Farm Bureau urges that a thorough study be to determine compliance. made of the credit needs of enterprising small producers and creased capital needed to operate larger, mechanized farm units is rendering it increasingly difficult for them to get established. The adaptation of present farm credit services to enable this class of operators to get started is highly important to the rural

Social Security. The Michigan Farm Bureau asks for the repeal of the requirements of the Social Security Act of 1954 as pertaining to farm labor. Present regu- CROP distribution. lations are highly impractical and burdensome for the farmer. As the law stands, the farmer is required to make deductions and keep records on all employees who earn \$100 per year. Compliance with this is highly im-

The Michigan Farm Bureau age people to help themselves. creased appropriationss for agri- urges that the requirement for greatly expanded research, to vide a three-months period of consecutive employment before the farmer is required to keep cover new uses for agricultural records and make deductions for Social Security purposes.

Second, the Michigan Farm Bureau urges repeal of compulsory Restraint of Trade Exemption Social Security requirements for

Farm Bureau condemns monopo- work with families in other listic practices regardless of countries. It helps us to realize whether business, labor or agri- we are neighbors, working cotechnically prices or anticipated culture, or a combination of them operatively for world peace. constitutes the offender.

Recent court decisions in effect grant practical immunity to We commend the efforts of our labor unions from prosecution for nation to free American citizens, monopolistic practices involving held against their will in com-

preatice voids the constitutional powers of Congress to regulate interstate commerce and empowers interested business groups to shift our society from a competitive to a monopolistic economy. National Administration to provide legislation to remove this evil of industry-wide bargaining

Labor Legislation. The Michigan Farm Bureau endorses amendments to the Taft-Hartley Act as follows:

Strengthen the secondary boy cott provisions by specifically providing damage and injunction remedies to injured persons against individual members as well as unions;

Provide for secret strike ballots at the request of either party at any elections conducted by representatives of the Labor Medi ation Board:

Curtail compulsory unionization as exemplified by the union shop and the closed shop;

Denial of the right to work without joining an organization is a violation of basic freedom. 2 for the address. It is given in ported excess products only in We favor basing allotments on Compulsory unionization con-

prices and prevent decline to dis- served to limit production on of unions by communists and ships, thus facilitating midwest koning President of Idea Saves

Strengthen the anti-featherbedding provisions of the Act; Minimize Government involvement in settlement of disputes by

prohibiting seizure of struck plants by the President; Further genuine collective bargainings at local level by prohibiting industrywide and areawide bargaining;

Transfer jurisdiction over unfair labor practices to federal courts by denying such jurisdiction to the national Labor Relaions Board.

Commendation of Secretary Benson. We wish to reaffirm our resolution of last year commending Secretary of Agriculture Benson on his sound approach to the

fuel used off the highways. We Federal Tax on motor vehicle fuel, believing that this is a tent of textiles. field which should be reserved to the states. However, as long as this levy is retained we feel that the fuel used for off the highway purposes should be sold basis. Certainly there is no justification for raising highway funds through a tax on tractor fuel, the modern farmer's principal source of power.

Atoms for peace. We support efforts to secure an agreement for an effective plan for inter-The Farmers Home Admin- national control and use of atomic energy for peaceful purposes operating financial assistance to We urge the President and Confarmers whose assets are not gress to continue to work for a sufficient to qualify them for satisfactory political, economic, loans from Federal Land Banks and social relationship between or Production Credit Associa- all nations leading toward universal disarmament with adequate safeguards and inspections District

Christian rural overseas proyoung farmers. The greatly in- gram. Through the Christian Rural Overseas Program, thousands of hungry people are being given food and aid. While it is sometimes difficult for our government to even give food to nations with hungry people, CROP, through its direct and personal method of distribution, can relieve hunger and build friendships. We support the principles of this program. We also urge that restrictions be removed so that wheat may be included in

Foreign aid. We believe that a sufficient length of time and economic recovery by most nations receiving aid has enabled them to take care of themselves financially. Therefore, we be Agricultural Education, Exten- practical, particularly for the lieve that all economic aid from employer of foreign and transient the United States should be applied in ways that will encour-

Farm trainee program. Much progress has been made toward a better world understanding by the various foreign exchange programs sponsored by both government agencies and private organizations. We wish to commend the American Farm Bureau Federation and the Michigan Farm Bureau for its Farm Trainee Program, and we recommend its further expansion, both in number of young men and women welcomed to farms in the United States, and in the number of our Monopolies. The Michigan young people sent to live and

> Freeing U. S. captive citizens. munistic countries, and urge that the utmost effort possible be continued to release citizens still remaining in custody of those na-

Great Lakes - St. Lawrence Seaway. Inasmuch as the St. Lawrence Seaway project, authorized by Congress, terminates with Lake Erie, we urge its completion. This requires deepening the channel through the Great We call upon Congress and the Lakes and drivers connecting them, so that all Great Lakes ports can receive ocean-going

PURE CRUSHED



Railroad car reflectors. All unlighted railroad cars, whether moving or standing still, constitute a menace to motorists at grade crossings. We urge national legislation requiring all railroad cas to be equipped with reflectors on each side,

Textile labeling. The Farm Bureau led the successful fight to secure the "Truth in Fabrics" legislation, which protects purchasers of woolen cloth and garments against fraud and deception. However, this does not apply

to other textile materials, such as cotton, linen, and the synthetic fibers. Consumers are frequently misled, and fibre producers deprived of their markets by dishonest advertising of fabric composition.

We recommend that there be protect both the producer and fase advertising of the fiber con-

Federal wheat grading. We recommend that the Federal grading law on wheat be changed to AFBF Points reflect quality standards and on a tax exempt or tax refund of foreign material and off-grade Trouble With and other kernels, in order that we may be competitive with other countries in both the domestic and foreign markets. foreign markets.

> Improvement in sugar act. Since 1948, almost all of the growth of the U.S. sugar market has gone to Cuban producers. We support legislation now before Congress to give domestic producers a larger share of this growth in sugar consumption within our own country.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE Michigan Farm Bureau

1-Waldo E. Dick, Chairman, Lawrence.

2-J. Willis Hoffman, Hudson. 3-Allen F. Rush, Lake Orion. 4-John Henry Albers, Hamil-

5-Edmund F. Miller, Jr., Lansing. 6-Henderson Graham, Caro. 7-Guy Freeborn, Hart.

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M.F.B. Women. Thomas E. Hahn, Rodney, At

Herman F. Howeisen, Clinton At Large.

When a man agrees to argue a question he can often be per- something, not something about suaded.

## Petroleum Co-op

re-elected president and Kenneth O. Johnson of Freeland was re-elected vice-president of Farmers Petroleum Cooperative at the 6th annual meeting at Michigan State University Nov. 30. Walter Wightman of Fennville and Ren A. DeRuiter of McBain were Company put a new automobile elected to the board. Directors endorsement procedure into effect re-elected: Mr. Koning, Mr. John- November 1. son, Ward G. Hodge, Blaque Knirk, William Bartz, Fred King, William Hasenbank III. For summary of FPC annual report, see annual report of J. F. Yaeger, executive secretary, page 1.

Women of MFB Re-Elect Mrs. Ball

Mrs. Carlton Ball of Albion was re-elected chairman of the Women's Committees of the Federal tax on motor vehicle textile labeling requirements, to Michigan Farm Bureau at their annual meeting at Michigan State have consistently opposed the consumer against misbranding and University Nov. 9. Mrs. Ernest Heim of Traverse City was elected vice-chairman.

Urging higher standards for J.S. wheat, American Farm Bureau officials told members of a U.S. Department of Agriculture conference on wheat grades that his would improve our opportunity to compete for foreign "A proper grading system

hould encourage the production and marketing of high quality products and the maintenance of quality as good products move hrough the channels of trade,' aid AFBF representatives.

"Present grades not only permit, but encourage the adulteration of good quality wheat with cheaper wheat and other undesirable material" Farm Bureau pointed out. "Such adulteration works against producers of good quality grain, increases handling and shipping costs, and means either higher prices or lower uality to consumers.

Michigan Farm Bureau recomnended last month, that AFBF J.S. wheat grading laws.

ADDY WAS THERE

A dairy herd improvement association organized at Fremont, Mich., 50 years ago, was the foundation of all DHIA work in Russell E. Hazel, Richland, At the U. S., Robert H. Addy of Farm Bureau Services was tester there in 1914.

> The man who succeeds is the one who knows everything about REE FOLDER

# FB Members

In announcing the new procedure, Mary Metzger, assistant nanager for Casualty Insurance, said the change will save time and expense and at the same time provide policyholders with more efficient service.

The agent will no longer compute premium and collect money any is necessary in the desired change. He simply makes out a orief transfer application and mails it directly to the home

The home office then computes the additional premium, if any, and makes the necessary changes for putting the endorsement into The endorsement and premium

billing are then mailed directly to the policyholder rather than to the agent for delivery to the policy-holder as handled under the old Under the new procedure the gent will relay the policyholder's

request for change in policy to the home office-and the home office takes over from there. This new procedure saves time by establishing direct contact between the policyholder and the

company when adding endorse-

nents to existing auto policies. It saves money. An important esult of the procedure's efficiency is the elimination of the \$2.00 transfer fee which was charged under the old method. The savings in time and expense makes it possible to eliminate this

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# Proof of the Pudding

Last month we told Farm Bureau members about the excellent line of Farm Bureau dairy feeds that carry your trademark, "Farm Bureau." At our October feed meetings we

showed colored slides of a herd of 21 cows that averaged 515 lbs. of butter fat for the last 3 years. One member of the herd has an 8-year average of 14,400 lbs. of milk and 724 lbs. of fat.

All D.H.I.A. records Farm Bureau feeds helped the breeding and good management perform very profitably.

## News About Poultry Feeds

Farm Bureau Mermashes (18% or 20%) made from your M.V.P. concentrate probably do a better job of getting eggs than any mashes in the state. Also hatchability records are made on your Mermash Super Breeder and Layer Mash 20%. All over the state we find flocks hitting a fast pace-from 70 to 85% production-and healthy

Your regular Poultry Supplement 34% was tested in a competitive caged layer contest in Indiana. It produced more eggs at a lower cost than any competitive mash (some widely advertised ones, too). This is a high energy mash especially fitted for our winter months.

## Hi N-R-G

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# Activities of Women of Michigan Farm Bureau

District 1

Mrs. Byron Eley, Chairman Constantine, R-1

was held October 25 at the Meth- or Luther Danes at Paw Paw. odist Church in Centerville, St. cookies before the meeting.

Mrs. Norman Harvey of Cass free blood program. county was chairman of the registration. Mrs. James Burns, Joseph, 10 other guests were pre-

jects and activities, such as the this talk and film very much. Nursing Project, Sister Kenny, ference, Aging Conference, Civil Defense, and many others. She

Dr. Donald C. Coohon, public health veterinarian in the Michigan Department of Health spoke on tuberculosis and some of the other diseases that affect animals. Dr. Coohon spoke on the proper cooking of pork to kill certain

Films shown by Mrs. Carlton Ball were taken on the farms and in the homes of our Michigan friends. These to be sent to London, England, to the Associated Country Women of the World.

Cass County. The Farm Bureau Women's Committee met November 1st at the home of Mrs. Norman Harvey. The election of Mrs. Florence Broserman as secretary to replace Mrs. Benedict followed the business meeting. It was unaminiously voted that each member to bring 50c to the Christmas meeting to buy something for the county infirmary.

coming year.

Harold Sparks, our County Agricultural Agent, gave a talk on dairy consumption. The hostesses served buttermilk bread and cottage cheese salad to tie in with this talk on dairying. - Mrs. Norman Harvey, County Chair-

Van Buren County. A co-operative dinner was enjoyed by the over Michigan and are arranged Farm Bureau Women's Commit- in story form to be sent to the tee at the home of Mrs. George Byers on November 1st. Mrs. Country Women of the World. James Burns, county chairman presided at the meeting. Plans for the state annual meeting were made and tickets sold.

Mrs. Carl Buskirk asked everyone to announce in their meetings that those living in Van Buren county do not have to pay for

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blood they receive in transfus-ions as Van Buren has a free Blood Program. If there are any The fall meeting of District 1, questions, just call Mrs. Buskirk

If Van Buren people are think-Joseph county welcomed the ing of taking a trip, get in touch guests and served coffee and with Mrs. Buskirk and get a letter stating they are residents of Van Buren county which has a

Sergeant Smith of the State county chairman of VanBuren Police, gave a short talk on accicounty received the gavel in be- dents. He said many older drivers half of her county for having the cause accidents by not giving largest attendance present. There proper signals when they turn or were 12 from Berrien; 25 from stop. The State Police goal for Cass; 29 from Kalamazoo; 39 this year is 200 more men on the from Van Buren; and 35 from St. | force to help enforce the speed law vehicle inspection.

Films are available through Mrs. Carlton Ball, state chair- the State Police for group meetman, spoke to the women and ings, write Duane Smith, care told of the part Farm Bureau Police Post, Paw Paw, if you Women are taking in many pro- want this service. The group liked

Safety Commission, Cancer, Blood Bank, Rural Health Con-Legion Hall, The Farm Bureau Roll call dinner will be Novem-Women's Committee has been asked to put up lunch boxes for greatly stressed the importance the Grape Co-operative meeting of our school problems, and suggested that each one study the new school laws.

the Grape Co-operative includes on January 6th at the Paw Paw High School. — Mrs. James Burns, county chairman.

### District 2

Mrs. Leta Sanford, Chairman Allen

The fall meeting of Farm Bur-October 11 at Hillsdale High Rapids area. School Auditorium. There were Branch, Calhoun, Lenawee, Jackson and Hillsdale.

women present who had never arrangements. attended a district meeting. The group was awarded a zipper brief

The morning program consisted of reports from each county chairman and talks by Mrs. Ruth Ball, State Chairman; Charles Munford, regional representative; Mrs. Marjorie Karker, coodinator of Farm Bureau Women.

Calhoun county took charge of a Mrs. Earl Shearer, Mrs. Harry very impressive installation cere-Swartz and Mrs. Wilbur Griner mony giving the duties for the are to meet with the council to next two years to the following: make out the programs for the Chairman, Mrs. Leta Sanford, Hillsdale county; vice-chairman, Mrs. Spencer reported on the Mrs. George Crisenberry, Jacksupper at the Geneva School son county; secretary and trea-which netted \$130 for the county surer, Mrs. Blaque Knirk, Branch boy, Hassan Dehghan, who spent county.

> Dr. Donald Coohon from the Michigan Health Department, explained in detail various diseases of animals and how they affect humans. Karen Wallace and Myrlene Spalding of Hillsdale entertained with two vocal duets. Mrs. Ruth Ball showed slides of Michigan farm life. These pictures have been taken by farm women all London office of Associated This office in turn loans the pictures to groups and meetings in foreign countries, thus showing in a small way "Life in Michi-

another very successful countywide bake goods sale. This sale is held in the four larger towns in the county. Each woman is notified of the location of the sale in each town. She contributes to the most convenient place. This was the second time this type of sale has been held and netted the ladies about \$250.

The apron and bake sale at the County Fair booth added \$150 to the treasury. A good share of the money goes towards repairing and furnishing the County Farm Bureau office. Hillsdale Farm Bureau Women also contribute to the state projects.

Four women acted as a Reception committeee at our county annual meeting. The county's delegation of 14 women was sent to Lansing to the state annual

At the last county meeting at Church's Corners the ladies voted to have a team of at least two women in each township to work on Roll call.

At this meeting Roger Coman, a student from Hillsdale College, showed colored slides of his trip in Sweden. He was the good will the county.

### District 4 Mrs. Robert Weisgerber, Chmn. Ionia, R-2

One of our most interesting Kent County Farm Bureau women as our hosts.

beautiful, well landscaped, new located and designed to fill the needs of a rural community.

Any township considering building would be wise to visit the building and also to hear the story of how it came to be built. The women enjoyed the coffee hour from 9:30 to 10:20. About

150 sat down to dinner. One of the nice features of this our year last November by hav-



Photo-Ionia Daily Sentinel Standard

worth a few hours' time.

own fair state.)

We felt that we had seen quite

a number of "Old World" pictures

that we would like to see some

pictures of our own country.

One of our own members pre-

Our annual auction was held

ack of funds being appropriated spoke to our group. He had been

MRS. ROBERT WEISGERBER, chairman of District 4, views an exhibit of fruits and meats discussed at the District 4 ruralurban women's conference by Miss Virginia Helt (right), Michigan of plenty, fall fruit and vegeeau Women of District 2 was held State University marketing and information agent for the Grand tables, leaves and mums, adorned

Bureau board.

Mrs. J. Edward Brown, chair-Lenawee county had the most Kent county, was in charge of country.

Mrs. Cornelius Mahr, vicechairman of District 4, presided at the morning session. Our state chairman, Mrs. Carlton Ball, spoke in the morning on the many affiliations we have over the state with other organizations. She suggested more interest and action on such matters as the school situation, retarded children, legal rights for women, social security, Christian Rural Overseas Program, our senior citizens, rural zoning, and other important topics, well worth our consideration in this new year.

One of the delightful numbers ome time at the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rodgers of Caledonia. His description of his home life

especially of a Persian marriage tioned in Vienna in the armed vere very entertaining. Dr. Donald Coohon, public of doing quite a bit of traveling health veterinarian with Michi- and taking pictures. We felt we gan Dep't of Health, gave some had all spent a very pleasant afvery interesting facts concerning ternoon. nimal diseases transmittable to started to decline in 1933, due to ber of Commerce in Flint, also

and farming experiences and

y the legislature.

A.C.W.W. slides. Ionia Farm Bureau Women interesting word - picture and under leadership of Mrs. Elvan showed us many slides on Ger-Rasmussen, County chairman, Hillsdale county women had and Mrs. Harold Funk, vice chairman, sponsored a rural-urban conference in late September. and so thoroughly enjoyed them Sixty Farm Bureau women and their city friends attended.

During the morning session a panel discussion was held, with sented her pictures of their trip various health and welfare in the western states. groups in the county participating. Groups represented were: Cancer Society, whose treasurer, Mrs. Louise Black, gave us information as to where the "loan closet" is located, who and where to call for help for home patients. The health chairman of the County Federation of Woman's

Clubs, Mrs. Robert McPherson, told of the mobile TB chest x-ray. The Community Chest was represented by Attorney Flint Watt who explained the affiliated organizations. The Red Cross executive secretary, Mrs. Fred Galleghar, spoke about many

ways Red Cross serves the Com-

munity and nation. The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis was represented by Mrs. R. G. Van Dusen. A question and answer period followed the talks. Mrs. Robert Weisgerber moderated the panel. -Ray De Witt, regional repreambassador who was sent last sentative of Michigan Farm summer by the various clubs in Bureau, spoke briefly on the scope, activities and services of the organization and stressed the fact that we have a voluntary

membership. Our policies are

developed by the membership in

their own community groups. A most enjoyable part of the meetings of the year was held at afternoon was Virginia Helt's talk the Dutton township hall with and demonstration. Miss Helt is our marketing and consumer information agent in the Grand Dutton township hall is a very Rapids area. This service is a part of the co-operative Extension community center. It is ideally Service of Michigan State University. Miss Helt used a display of fruits, vegetables, and meat to illustrate her talk.

## District 5

Mrs. Harold Nye, Chairman Olivet R-2

Genesee county. We started meeting was the presence of a ing as our guest speaker Kirsti

aged in Okemos; then went to the home of one of our former committee women who had moved to Williamston and had our potluck luncheon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth

October was the month we had set aside to learn how to write news items. Mr. Childs of the Flint Journal spent an informal hour talking to us and answering our questions.

We have had such a busy year, but a very happy and profitable one. We still meet in the various homes of our members, across the county. We now have 31 groups so we do not know how much longer we will be able to do this.-Mrs. Bernice Brown, Retiring County Chairman.

### District 9

Mrs. Ernest Heim, Chairman Traverse City, R-4

Wexford county Farm Bureau Women's Committee had its econd rural-urban conference

The meeting was held in the church parlors of the First Methodist church, starting with a dessert tea. Harvest scene, with horn the candlelit table.

Pumpkins and fall flowers and 150 women from the counties of number of the Kent County Farm | Hirvcusals. She holds a position leaves were placed throughout equivalent to our 4 - H Club the rooms. Fancy cookies, ice leader in Finland. She showed cream, tea, coffee and milk were man of Farm Bureau Women in pictures of farm life in her served. Retiring chairman and vice chairman, Mrs. Chas. Gott-In December we went to the hard and Mrs. Floyd Whaley, International Institute in Flint poured from the silver service.

and were served a Hungarian The panel included Mrs. Gregdinner; a French war bride talkory Moore, a professional man's ed to us. Just to see the Institute, wife; Mrs. Lyle Smith, a businesswhich has been decorated by man's wife; Mrs. Fred Bilkey, girls from different countries fixed income group, as her husand to have Miss Elloise Tanner, band is a government worker; director, talk about it, is well and Mrs. Clarence Springberg, a factory worker's wife.

Further programs of the year Mrs. Marjorie Karker of Lanncluded a talk on Farm Bureau sing was moderator. She said in policies by Ray DeWitt; Mrs. summarizing the panel discussion Marian Kottke on Consumer-In- that this type of meeting is a formation; and a Michigan Quiz, valuable addition to the obserprepared and executed by the vance of Farm-City week. Last program committee. (Try the year, the rural women told their latter, sometime. It kinda puts story of life on farms. This year people on their toes to find how the urban women presented their little they know of facts on our

There were many common problems, such as; investments of We entertained our husbands time and money in equipment n February and had as our proand knowledge, and the need of Farm Bureau Members and gram a Travelogue presented by much care and thought to stretch James Labb who has been stathe take-home or net earnings to provide families with a good livservices. He had the opportunity

The discussion concluded with the thought that mutual under- their effect on human beings. standing of each other's problems will help each group toward hetman. He said Bovine TB control bassador from the Junior Chamter relations and aid in solving the problems.

Farm Bureau Women of Wexford county plan to visit the Dow in Germany during World War Everyone greatly enjoyed the II and wished to go back to see convalescent home instead of the county, was installed as new post-war Germany. He gave an annual Christmas party. A gift chairman for the district, A will be given each patient, and group gift was presented to Mrs. Christmas trimming for each Alden Mathews, of Ogemaw room. Ice cream will be served. Christmas carols will be sung. Christmas cards and a gift will be sent to the Mooney convalescent home at Cadillac.-Marge

## District 10-E

Mrs. Vernon Kingsbury, Alpena, R-1

in August on one of those "Oh, so hot" days. This is the way we raise our State project fall meeting at Hawks Township | county library. Mrs. Lee LaForge money, and we did very well in hall October 24, in Presque Isle is the new chairman for Alcona.

## spite of the heat. This was also the day we had Tsuru Nakatani with us, so we really had a full Barbra Foster Heads In September we toured the Junior Farm Bureau



MISS BARBRA FOSTER of Berrien county was elected state president of Michigan Junior Farm Bureau at the annual meeting, October 29. Miss Foster has been very active in JFB activities at the county, district, state and national levels.

Other officers elected at JFB convention are Douglas Haskill of Lapeer county-1st vice-president; Leo Murphy, Ionia county

120 ladies attended from six counties, Alpena, Montmorency, Iosco, Ogemaw, Alcona and Presque Isle. Mrs. Otto Mendrick, of Presque Isle wore a corsage, presented to her by our district man. Mr. Don Kilpatrick, for having the largest percentage of attend-

ance present from her county. A

gift was presented to Alpena

county for having the largest number of women present who meeting before. Presque Isle ladies were very gracious hostesses by having coffee an hour before the meeting

Mrs. Marjorie Karker spoke on Terminology of Farm Bureau Women. Mrs. Karker also substituted for Mrs. C. Ball who was unable to attend, and gave Mrs. Ball's report on Farm Bureau's affiliation with other organiza-

Mr. Don Kilpatrick, regional representative of District 10E, told of the relationship between regional men. Dr. Donald C. Coohon, public

A sixty piece girls glee club

Slides were shown of farm life

in Michigan. Mrs. Vern Kingsbury of Alpena county, in appreciation of a job well done the past two years as chairman of District 10E.

Alcona county women's committee have been working very hard on a rural library project in their county. They have pur-chased a bookmobile.

A donation of \$50 was given to the "Mickey Campbell Foundation." These ladies also plan on District 10E women held their purchasing furniture for their

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tary-treasurer; Margaret Linebaugh, Ionia county-camp chairman, and Marie Engelhardt of Huron county is state historian.

200 delegates, other JFB members and guests attended the JFB convention in the Music Auditorium at M.S.U.

The program included State Committees' yearly reports, the election of officers and the Talk Meet contest. Norma Kimball of Cass county won the contest, and will receive an expense free trip to Chicago where she will represent Michigan in the National Farm Bureau Young People's contest held in conjunction with the AFBF convention. Another feature was a Talent

Find contest. Betty Wittke of Lapeer county received top honors in this field. Betty will also receive an expense free trip to AFBF convention where she will represent Michigan Junior Farm Bureau in the National Talent

Junior Farm Bureau convention indicated that the delegates were concerned about member--2nd vice-president; Lois ship. They were also concerned

> Presque Isle county women headed by Mrs. Otto Mendrick are planning various money raising projects. Recently at their meeting they had Mrs. Caroline Schroak, home demonstration agent for Presque Isle, as guest. Mrs. Schroak told of the various phases of her work. These ladies are also very active in keeping Jr. Farm Bureau in their county.

Ogemaw county women under the chairmanship of Mrs. H. had never attended a district Lickfeldt are busy having bake sales to replenish their treasury. A bus was chartered by the women to attend the state annual convention in Lansing.

Montmorency county ladies had their county treasurer, Mr. McMurphy, to one of their meetings. He told the ladies about the duties of his office. These ladies are also very busy wrapping cancer bandages. Mrs. Analee Carey is the new chairman for Montmorency.

Alpena county women are spreading Christmas cheer this month. Twelve boxes were packed for the State Mental hospital at Traverse City. These ladies health veterinarian in the State have adopted two polio patients Department of Health, spoke on and these two girls are always various diseases in animals and remembered on special days, especially at Christmas time. Recently Mr. Robert Cordano and Mr. Russel Hendrick from the Social Welfare were guests.

A \$10 donation was given to the "loan fund" at Traverse City State Hospital.

Alpena ladies have an attendnce contest with the board of directors every year. Winners are guests to a "Bean and Steak" dinner. Rumors are that the women of Alpena are eating the beans this year. Mrs. Emeil Kreuger is chairman of Alpena

## **OUTLOOK FOR 1956**

The average Michigan farmer can look forward to having about the same gross and net income in 1956 as he did this year, say MSU farm economists.

with limiting state activity to fewer well-chosen projects and

The highlight of the Convention activities came at the evening Banquet held in the M.S.U. Union Building. Warren Newperry, Director of AFBF Young Member Activities, spoke on 'Coming of Age." He said Michigan Junior Farm Bureau has been a going organization for 20 years. We have set a pattern for many other States who are newer in Farm Bureau Young People's activities. Warren stressed the point that there are 70,000 young farm people on the farm here in Michigan. With the membership less than 1500, we have a long ways to go in doing a more adequate job on membership.

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# Farm Bureau's Resolutions on State Affairs

## They Outline the Program of Work

We present the full text of the resolutions on state affairs adopted at the 36th annual meeting of the Michigan Farm Bureau at East Lansing, Nov. 10-11, 1955. These resolutions are Farm Bureau policy and program.

Resolutions were adopted also on national and international affairs. These become recommendations to the American Farm Bureau resolutions committee and to the voting delegates representing Michigan at the to file a certificate of ownership national convention to be held at Chicago December periodically, and pay a registra-11-15. They are printed on page 3.

The resolutions approved by the voting delegates at the AFBF convention become the Michigan Farm Bureau's policy on national and international matters.

It is expected that the text of the national resolutions will be printed in the January edition of the Nation's Agriculture.

Another section of the Michigan resolutions is "Our steps to enact necessary legisla-Farm Bureau." It will be published in this paper Jan- tion.

Present day agriculture has be-

lems in the field of production,

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### MFB RESOLUTIONS ON STATE AFFAIRS

FOREWORD The Farm Bureau has grown

steadily in membership and influence. In Michigan there are lights the path of progress. How-65,830 farm families in the lead- ever, it would be impossible for ing agricultural counties. They banded together in 1,474 very much basic or applied re-Community Farm Bureaus and 63 search. That must be done, in County Farm Bureaus to form a the case of agriculture, by a large stalwart part of the 1,609,461 public institution, such as Michfamily members of the American Farm Bureau in every state of the Union and Puerto Rico.

The following resolutions represent the deliberate judgment and conclusions reached as the result of thousands of discussion meetings held by our 1,474 Community Groups. They represent the efforts of the Resolutions Committees of 63 County Farm Bureaus, and the discussions and actions taken at the annual meetings of the County Farm Bureaus.

At those annual meetings 874 Agents, Home Demonstration resolutions were adopted and Agents, and Extension Specialsent to state headquarters. There ists. These activities have abunthey were carefully considered dantly proved their worth and by the MFB Resolutions Commit- deserve continued growth and tee in forming the policy recommendations submitted to the 36th annual session of the MFB board of delegates.

### RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED ON STATE AFFAIRS

Local government and assessment. We are concerned with the growing centralization of Still ent local government in township, county, and state affairs. We believe that the assessment

of property is a proper function of local government and that any action reducing this responsibility of local officers weakens the unit of government closest to the

We urge assessing officers to continue to strive for realistic and equitable valuations. We also request that the State Tax Commission complete the longawaited Assessor's Manual at the earliest date.

Apportionment of Legislature. In 1952, Michigan Farm Bureau was a leader in the campaign which defeated a proposal to hand control of both houses of the Michigan Legislature to the voting majorities in 4 of Michin the Legislature, with the present. House apportioned on population and the Senate on area and popu-

Patterned after our federal system, this plan is now giving progress toward the badly need-Michigan's citizens effective re- ed recodification of Michigan's presentative government.

We will vigorously oppose any amendment to our constitution which would, through reapportionment, place the control of islature. Michigan's Legislature in the hands of a few counties.

Agricultural representation on various state boards, commissions affect farmers.

We are dismayed that in recent Conservation Commission, the

We urge that in future appoint- farm equipment. ments, adequate recognition be given to the farm segment of our

M.S.U.—Its programs and services. We are proud of the century of service rendered to Michigan farm families and other citizens by Michigan State University, the pioneer land grant instiand dissatisfaction.

Mineral rights. The widespread custom of reserving or selling portions of the mineral rights appertaining to descriptions of property results in costly confusion of titles and the loss of potential

ights to the owner of the sur-

We recommend that the owner of separated rights be required tion fee. Such rights on which the registration and fee become delinquent should be first made available to the owner of the

Sex deviate clinic. We favor a parole clinic for Michigan, where persons released from mental hospitals, or having police records as sex deviates, would be compelled to report at stated intervals, and that Legislature take

come increasingly complicated as necessary to provide an ade- parties at interest. and is beset with manifold prob- quate defense force during the current period of world tensions. We continue our opposition to universal military training as being unnecessary and undesirable from many standpoints.

As to the time for service for the men who are inducted into the armed forces, we favor the calling of the younger men who have less family and business involvements and responsibilities.

We urge that the selective service legislation and regulations expanded program of research, be revised to accomplish these particularly in the fields of markobjectives.

> Motorists' financial responsibility. We should have protection against injury or damage which might be inflicted by uninsured motorists. We believe that before a person obtains license plates for his car or truck, he should have to show proof of financial responsibility for public liability to the extent of \$25,000 or insurance in that amount or the Legislature should enact a law along the line of the New "unsatisfied judgment fund" to afford such protection.

panded utilization of Michigan code of principles covering the streets. farm products. This has provided most important aspects of highcomprise the program:

Michigan Week. Michigan 1. We favor the continuous principal sum. Week is encouraging Michigan people to learn more about our and prudent development of our state, its accomplishments and its highway, road and street systems way Construction Fund, estabpotentials. Its greatest value is to keep abreast of the growth of lished by the Michigan Legislaautomotive transportation. High- ture at its 1955 regular session, We believe that County Farm way construction and road im- the portion returned to the Coun-Bureaus and Community Farm provement programs at all levels ty Road Commissions is woefully Bureau Groups can render a ser- should be based upon traffic inadequate. We ask that the disvice to their communities and to needs, scientifically ascertained, tribution formula be revised the state by actively participating Priority of construction and im- so that equitable consideration Sale of mortgage records. We system or any other reasonable county primary roads, county lofavor legislation prohibiting the system encompassing safety, sercopying for sale of Register of vice and structural condition of Deeds' records, such as chattel highways, roads and streets.

2. We favor frequent and Period of sales tax liability. We clearly stated highway reports to urge that the period for sales the public. Public and legislaigan's 83 counties. At the same tax liability of a dealer be limited tive understanding of highway time we successfully promoted a to 3 years prior to the current expenditures at all levels of govplan for balanced representation year, rather than 6 years as at ernment is a necessary requisite state. We urge that our present Codification of drainage laws. ports graphically portraying the the provisions of the uniform ve-The Michigan Legislature in its construction and improvement hicle code. last regular session made further programs of the state highway department, the several county road commissions, and the cities drainage laws. We ask that this project be carried through to completion and a suitable draincontribution to such enlighten-

safety on the highways by plac- highway law to remedy this de-Farm equipment titling. It is ing proper emphasis on safety plorable situation. being proposed by some farm education, law enforcement, and equipment dealers that certain of highway engineering. The recboards, commissions and commit- the larger farm tools should be ord shows that the man behind tees. We believe that common justice demands that agriculture should have representation on the should have representation of the should have purchasers determine a fair value is the most fertile field for effec- building units would not be deand committees whose rulings for used equipment, facilitate search and recommendations profoundly curing repairs and assist in obwarding results may be expected use a pickup truck equipped with from a more intensive program of farm commercial plates in lieu of We have no objection to the safety education, driver educa- a passenger car. appointments to the White House placing of serial numbers on farm tion, driver responsibility and We urge that the law be Conference on Education, tax and tools and would support legisla- law enforcement. At the same amended to clarify the right of a water study committees and the tion making it a criminal offense time, every practical engineering farm family to use a vehicle with to mutilate or remove such num- technique should be utilized in Farm Commercial plates in the Governor has not seen fit to bers. We are opposed to a pro- highway building to eliminate place of a passenger car. This name agricultural representatives. gram of titling and registering those accidents due to physical- should not permit hauling for hire not human-factors.

> Agricultural migratory labor. 4. We favor greater reciproc-We reaffirm our resolution rela- ity between the states-through tive to agricultural migratory compatible highway regulations labor, adopted at our 1954 con- and tax laws. Continuous study the severance tax. At present all vention. We emphasize that in should be given to ways and of the revenue from the severthe hiring of such workers, the means of averting barriers to the ance tax which is imposed on the type of work, conditions of em- free flow of motor vehicles removal of petroleum products ployment, and compensation among the several states, with from the ground is retained by should be made very clear and special attention being given to the State of Michigan. The haul-

states.

5. We favor the periodic objective study of both the adminstration and financing of our highways, roads and streets. Such studies among other things should We believe that legislation highways should be distributed should be developed which will according to the benefits remaintain current records of own- ceived from highways. Attention ership of such rights, obtain should also be given to the advissome revenue and tend to return ability of establishing by legislawnership of such separated tive action of a special revolving fund for state highway right-ofway acquisition as has been done in California. That state's rightof-way purchase method is reported to have thoroughly justified its existence and has been of great importance in the speedup of the California highway pro-

limited or controlled access highways. Controlled-access or denied-access roads are a matter of concern to the highway builder, the highway user and those who serve the motoring public. The Selective service. We approve problem is one that deserves imthe principle of selective service mediate impartial study by all

> 7. Traditionally, we are op-Federal automotive excises and we believe that the field of excise taxes on motor fuels should be the prerogative of the state and the state alone. So long, however, as the Federal government, over our vigorous protests (and until repeal), continues to impose automotive excise taxes. we urge that an amount at least equal to the entire proceeds from all such taxes be applied to Federal-aid highways.

Highways and highway finance. We approve the statement relative to highways and highway finance adopted by the Board of Directors of the Michigan Farm Bureau, on January 26, 1955. We commend the Directors on their timely and forthright action. We were the first major state-wide organization to take a stand against the half-billion dollar proposed bond issue which then was regarded as virtually sure of passage. We were very influential in its defeat.

Highways should be built and Highway development and maintained through funds raised We especially commend the 2- highway safety. This program by the motorists who are the year-old program of research and for highway development and principal beneficiaries of better education, to encourage the ex- highway safety is a seven-point and more adequate roads and

We reemphasize the soundness great benefits to producers, re- way betterment and of highway of a "pay-as-you-go" program tailers and handlers of Michigan- safety. Together, the principles for highway construction and grown food and holds promise of of this program represent a posi- maintenance. The public always vices tive seven-point platform for fu- secures the most value for its power in county, state, and fed- to all Michigan citizens. It is a ture highway development and money when improvements are eral government, and recommend statesmanlike pioneer effort highway use. For sound public made out of current revenue inthat we keep a strong, independ- which is attracting favorable na- policies which encourage the stead of on a borrowing basis. tional attention. It deserves our maximum ownership and use of We are opposed to mortgaging wholehearted and cooperative motor vehicles, we endorse the the future to "build tomorrow's following seven principles which roads today." The interest on how heavy, is adequate punishsuch a bond issue would amount to approximately one-third of the

We feel that of the new Highprovement should be determined would be given to all types of by either a sufficiency rating roads, including state trunk lines, cal roads and municipal streets.

Uniform traffic laws. To safeguard lives and property, it is highly important that our motor vehicle laws be uniform with those of other states. This is especially urgent because of our to wise expenditure of highway motor vehicle code be revised and funds. Annual easy-to-read re- brought substantially in line with

Codification of highway laws. Michigan's present statutes relaand villages would be a decided tive to state and county roads and streets are conflicting and confusment and should be encouraged. ing and contain many overlapping and obsolete sections. We 3. We favor the promotion of favor enactment of a codified

Farm commercial licenses. The

or use of the truck for a business activity not connected with farm operation.

Distribution of revenue from

highway use taxes among the | in drilling oil wells and the trans- | laws of most states require traffic | tricts, to be elected on a non- | courses to be financed by an porting of the crude oil cause ex- to stop both ways when ap- partisan basis for staggered terms additional fee on each driver's highways.

> For this reason we believe that a fair portion of the revenue from the county from which it originates to be used by the County Road Commission for maintenance of its county highway sys-

County road commissioners. We recommend that the law be changed to have County Road Commissioners appointed or elected for 3 year terms instead of 6 year terms, as at present.

Roadside merchandising. Selling produce or merchandise on or along public highways, either by growers or peddlers, frequently gives rise to serious traffic prob-6. We favor the objective lems and increases the risk of acstudy (with adequate representa- cidents. We urge enactment of tion of highway users) of the pol- legislation requiring that all such icies which should govern the transactions and the parking indesign, regulation and operation cident thereto be kept off the of business zones along or within right of way or be located where approved by an appropriate enforcement agency.

Rubbish and "litterbugs." Michigan has adequate laws making it a crime to strew rubbish on either public or private property. Farm Bureau members, and especially Farm Bureau women. played a leading part in securing enactment of this commendable posed to the continuance of the legislation. Now what is needed is more general public understanding and better enforcement of these laws.

We congratulate the Michigan United Conservation Clubs on their "Litterbug" campaign. was clever, constructive and ef-

Much farm equipment now travels on rubber. Broken glass and rubbish in the fields near parks and highways are a mancaused hazard. This is only one of many reasons for full compliance and enforcement of the statutes outlawing dumping and strewing junk and rubbish.

It has been suggested that gas stations would be performing a public service if they would proyide receptacles in which tourists and other motorists might deposit such material which they wished

Center line marking. We commend highway officials who have placed a white center line on blacktop highways. Without such marking even a careful motorist may find himself taking his half out of the center of the road when traveling the road at night or at other times of poor

We urge that all blacktop roads be marked with a white center line, and yellow lines indicating no passing where applicable.

Punishment of drunk drivers. passengers, other motorists and pedestrians. No fine, no matter ment for such an offense. We urge that it be made man-

datory that the sentencing judge impose a severe jail sentence on any person convicted of driving while drunk and that his or her license to drive be revoked for a with the offense.

our present law so that oncoming ed such a plan. vehicles, as well as those approaching from the rear, would be compelled to stop before passing any school bus, which is standing to load or unload passengers, and remain stopped until the school bus proceeds or until driver of such bus signals other traffic to proceed. This provision should not apply to approaching

Local interest in schools. The sacredness of local control of education should be kept in mind in any laws and regulations relative to school finances or adof the American tradition. We should emphasize the community concept of education with maximum local control and participa-

vehicles on highways carrying

four or more lanes of traffic.

With increasing state-aid, there may come more state control and less interest in school affairs by citizens. We urge our members to take a helpful part in any area studies of school matters, to attend school meetings, to vote at school elections, and to be willing to serve on school boards.

Teacher recruitment. Michigan is still lacking large numbers of teachers each year, and that situation will continue for quite some years due to increased school population. We recommend that Farm Bureau members do all in their power to recruit high school seniors to consider teaching as a profession. County normals and junior

colleges close to home are a good starting point for obtaining degrees in education when oftentimes prospective teachers could not afford to go directly to 4 year colleges. Therefore we endorse continued support of these

Enlarged state board of education and appointment of superintendent of public instruction. Our schools should be kept free from politics! Throughout the state our local school superintendents are selected and controlled by popularly chosen school boards who in turn are elected on a non-partisan ballot. It would not occur to us to subject candidates for the office of school superintendent to a popularity contest by placing their names on a political ballot.

in Michigan who is chosen at a A drunk driver constitutes a public election is the State Supfrightful menace to himself, his erintendent of Public Instruction. The only Board of Education in Michigan, dealing with elementary and secondary education, which is partisan in character and elected on a partisan basis, is the State Board of Education.

We renew our support for an enlarged State Board of Education, among whose duties would be the selection and supervision period properly commensurate of the Superintendent of Public Instruction. We recommend that the Board consist of 8 members School buses and traffic. The from specified geographical dis-

cessive wear and tear on county proaching a school bus which is of 8 years each. Such a proposal pading or unloading pupils. Since was first advocated in Michigan Michigan is a leading tourist 59 years ago and has been fre- that the issuing of drivers' listate, it is important that our quently proposed during the inthis source should be returned to traffic laws be uniform with the tervening years. It has been vig- cers. majority of the other states. We orously supported by many edutherefore reaffirm our 1954 res- cational and citizens' groups. At olution which favored amending 3 annual conventions we endors-It is recognized that this pro-

posal would involve an amendment to sections 2 and 6 of Article XI of the Michigan Constitu-

recognize that in many communities the need for additional school facilities is so great that general property can no longer bear the tax burden. A wide variation exists in the bonded indebtedness of school districts throughout the state.

Some way must be found to spread the cost of erecting these facilities more uniformly among ministration. This is a vital part | the taxpayers of the state according to their ability to pay. We believe the state should provide additional aid to districts having modity Committee of each County a bonded indebtness requiring a or more mills and suggest an in- try to promote this program. crease in the intangible tax as a possible source of revenue.

Drivers' training in high schools. Inasmuch as a large able, perverting and degrading majority of our highway accidents are caused by drivers communities and state and naunder 21, and insurance rates for tional organizations could well all high school students; such

license, or some other suitable censes be retained by local offi-

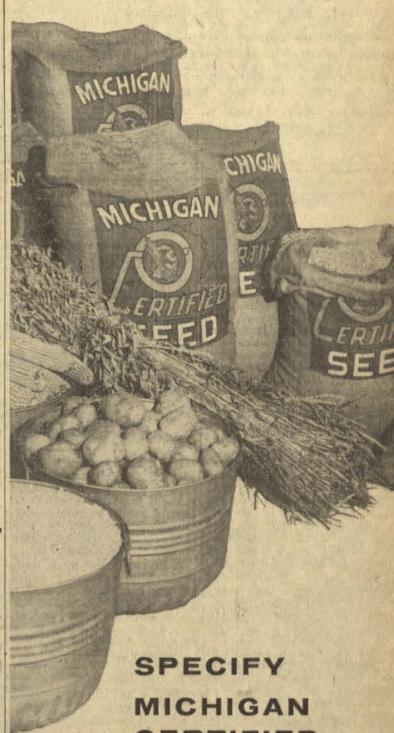
School bus drivers. School bus drivers have the same moral and legal responsibilities as teachers. We recommend that all drivers of school buses be required to pass a physical examination; to have a chauffeur's license; and to be not more than 65 years of age. We urge that all school boards Financing school facilities, We have their drivers enroll in the Bus Driver Training Courses, carried on by the various state colleges and universities.

School milk program. We recommend that all schools encourage their students to drink more milk. This might be accomplished by taking part in the Federal Milk Program, and by installing milk dispensers and vending machines wherever this

We urge that the Dairy Com-Farm Bureau should investigate ax levy for debt retirement of 10 the situation in each school, and

Comic books and magazines. Every effort should be made to discourage the sale of undesircomic books and magazines. Local teen-age drivers are at a pre- join forces in campaigns to clean mium, we recommend that driver up newsstands and to protect our training courses be required of youth especially, from publica-all high school students; such (Continued on Page 6)

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# Agriculture is Everybody's Political Football

## Community Farm Bureau Discussion Topic for December

Background Material for Program in December by our 1475 Community Farm Bureau Discussion Groups

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Switch. When a halfback finds himself being hemmed in on an open field runback of a punt, he often reverses his field. Well, the Governor's extra session of the Legislature surely hemmed us in on the December topic. It was to have considered whether Michigan should have a highway speed limit law. The Legislature acted-and we got it-for better or for worse.

Your writer returned from assigned meetings in faraway places to discover that it was necessary to "call another play" of some sort. So he wrote to your State Discussion Topic Committee. They said-in the emergency, "pass"-to another topic. That topic is to consider the challenge that farmers face in preserving their voice in America's program for agriculture.

The Political Trick Play. How carefully are you studying your newspapers, magazines and broadcast reports these days? If you are getting a varied diet of news reports, it should be clear that everybody is booting the farm program around with the idea of getting a political advantage for himself. And, in Congress, it does not seem to matter to what party the "booters" may

Sound sense would dictate a farm program for America that means a prosperous future for farmers with a full and varied production based on efficient practices. It should mean a well-fed nation. But people seem to lose sight of these values in a smoke-cloud of political "isms" that are being stirred up. Trick plays are coming out of the political huddles that leave the whole audience dizzy-headed with confusion.

Political monopolies of any sort have always been sources of trouble for any nation. They always work for special privileges for the few. Farm Bureau delegate resolutions have warned against the dangers of any monopoly by any group-whether it be business, labor, or agriculture itself.

Watch newspaper and radio re- The idea given you is that it will more than it would any other tee that the farmer will enjoy lies have had the same complexion, whatever their nature.

Newscasts will reveal to you, they will avoid the label.

try has been gaining speed. And taxes in costs, too. case of the wheat marketing acreage quotas someday. quotas-but only a small whiff.

conquer, is the scheme.

the confusion created over the voice in controlling agricultural without adequate study, but we necessary appearance at the subideas of parity and PARITY OF policy.

INCOME for the farmer. Some But a prominent Congressman delay.

tee of the House-in the interest industry. of the farmer's cause."

What was his plea? Price. A high, rigid parity price. He did 1951 the labor unions called for not mean a high parity NET IN- a price roll-back on beef. Cheap

There's a big difference between them.

those farm organizations that the system that produced it. cherish a sound prosperity for A socialist state is a welfare the farm of the future, and a state. A people on welfare are a freedom for the farm family to dependent people. A dependent control its own enterprise.

careless attitude on the part of cept the control of authority. And farm people. The right to farm they must still pay the check for as a free landholder hangs in the the program. balance, and a sound income, too. Strength in a strong and united farm Bureau is going to be im-

Will business and industry speak for farmers? fight for the farmer's cause? Not likely-at least, not very vigor-What about labor? Will grind its own axe, from all pre- tained in this folder.

tation of a prominent labor leader er and higher wages are debefore the Agriculture Commit- manded in the farm equipment

> This puts farmer's costs up. And we should remember that in food will never help the farmer's

Power-hungry political groups In actual fact the outcome of this become a heavy burden to intoday merely seek to use the whole political episode in our dividual property owners. farmer as a stepping stone to American history is to determine that political power. The only the direction in which we must answer is a strongly-unified voice turn in our American way of life. for the farm people themselves. We can easily destroy our high Bonds must be tightened between standard of living by destroying

people are not free. If they ac-It is no time for a weak nor cept the handouts they must ac-

> in American living. There is no need to be a mere "straw in the wind" of politics. Who shall

> > Questions

A special discussionaire folder it work in the true interest of is being sent to the Discussion the farmer? It is more apt to Leaders. The questions are con-

We favor return of the manage-

Farmer - sportman relations.

Organized sportsmen, represent-

ed by the Michigan United Con-

servation Clubs and its affiliates,

and organized farmers through

Grange and Farm Bureau are

working together to improve

farmer-sportsman relations. Now

in its third year, this joint pro-

gram has been an effective step

in improving rural-urban under-

First" campaign and recommend

the continuation of joint efforts

to further improve the relation-

ships between farmers and hunt-

Gun-safety training. Gun-safe-

ty training is proving effective

service in this field. Farm Bureau

members can encourage the in-

school systems and in 4-H group

If practicable means can be

Road hunting. We are at pres-

The car-cruising road-hunter

is usually a game law violator,

a trespasser and a safety hazard. We favor legislation to require a

gun carried in a car to be encased

Sunday hunting. The present

checkerboard pattern of counties

open and closed to Sunday hunt-

ing is confusing and makes en-

forcement difficult. Each closed

county increases the demand for

the closing of additional counties.

Farmers and sportsmen in con-

ferences in the areas most affect-

ed agreed that uniformity is

needed on a regional basis. It is

The problems which have

of good sportsmanship and viola-

we urge each landowner to use the

We urge continued efforts by

Small game season. Continued

reports indicate that the differ-

ent opening dates of the small

We believe that further study

San Juan rabbits. The Euro-

This rabbit, sometimes known

ent very conscious of highway

angles should be considered.

or locked in the trunk.

ment of the deer herd to the Con-

servation Commission.

Resolutions on State Affairs

tions which would warp and ability to reproduce. oison their minds, cheapen the nost sacred things in life, and debauch their moral standards.

We urge parents to give attenion to the lists of desirable comic books and magazines which are printed from time to time in varous publications, such as the annual summary of recommendations published in "Parents

We also suggest that the pubishers of comic books and magazines might well follow the example of the motion picture industry, and select and empower their own censor to police their

hear much shouting by some We protest the present package Nationally it appears that we folks for a 100% of parity price booking arrangement, which are moving to a labor monopoly. support program on basic crops. support program on basic crops. forces local newsstand dealers to ers. accept the bad along with the good publications in this field. We commend those local dealers who

> Soil conservation and soil con- clusion of such training in local servation districts. Responsibilof land rests on all citizens, urban devised, we would favor a gunas well as rural. The well-being handling test before a hunting

The annual increase in our population places a definite retion must be aware of the need it is well to remember that in a Now, what if the government for intelligent use and conservation of our lands.

The 74 Soil Conservation Disare efficiently operated by elect-

We recommend that the Legislature increase the appropria-

Water management and water

for industry and for irrigation as well as for domestic use to supply tions of the law. Recognizing this, must carry out studies without sequent hearing and trial.

folks constantly talk as though declared this past summer that | We urge that a Water Policy farmers and sportsmen to find a they are the same thing. You "No farm leader in the past 20 Committee be appointed by the satisfactory answer which will governor and/or the Legislature. give the most hunting pleasure This committee should include consistent with respect for prirepresentation of all affected vate property. interests and should be provided with an appropriation to enable it to work effectively.

> Reports by well drillers. With game season for Zone 2 and Zone the great increase in the drilling 3 have created excessive gun of large capacity water wells and pressure and the unlawful taking the need for more information of game, particularly pheasants. on our underground water reserves, we recommend that well should be given to the possibility drillers be required to maintain of either opening the entire lowa log of soil and rock formations er peninsula at one time or to a and file the information with the redefinition of zone lines. appropriate state agency.

> Management of the deer herd, pean wild rabbit has caused We believe that good manage- great damage to fields, crops, ment of our deer herd involves orchards and buildings in Austrastudy and a knowledge of food, lia and other areas where it has habitat and population. The herd been introduced. size should be kept at such levels as will minimize crop damage, as the San Juan rabbit, is adverprevent starvation and permit the tised and offered for sale in outnarvesting of as large a crop of door magazines and a few known

We will support education, legislation and enforcement designed to keep this animal from becoming established in our state.

Removal of diseased elm trees. Present Dutch Elm control methods require removal and disposition of infected trees at the own-The farmer must go it alone, er's expense. This expense may

> We recommend that the State share in the expense of removal above a nominal figure.

Apple commission appointments. In making appointments to the Michigan Apple Commission, the Governor has failed to qualified organizations representing the apple producers of the the provisions of the law providing for such recommendations | munity Farm Bureau Groups. the Governor has failed to name men who can best serve the industry they represent.

We ask that the Senate withhold confirmation of those appointees to the various commissions having to do with agriculture or horticulture, unless these men have the support of qualified and acknowledged agricultural organizations within the state or within the area of the state they will serve.

Research on grass and legumes. butterfat. Grass and legumes for the production of hay and pasture are basic for our livestock industry and the maintenance of soil fer- importance to farmers that distility. We favor additional resity for the development of new crops, varieties, improved practices, and propagation of grass on a matching basis. It is neces-

necessary in many lines of busiaccurate account of livestock because total receipts at markets are not required to be reported to Michigan farms. the State Department of Agriculture. In order for the people of

years has surpassed the presen- vious and present evidence. High- shipments have been made into sons, we recommend that live- tary conditions. stock auctions be required to make monthly reports of receipts by species to the Department of Agriculture.

> Livestock loss prevention. The economic loss to Michigan farmers, livestock dealers, marketing agencies, and meat processors, through bruised, crippled, and dead livestock, is enormous. These injuries and casualties, which occur during the marketing process, are largely unnecessary, and could be eliminated or greatly reduced by using better judgment and proper methods of handling.

We ask the Michigan Farm Bureau Livestock Commodity Committee and the Agricultural name men recommended by the Extension Service to cooperate in a program of education to reduce such losses. We suggest that this state. We believe that by ignoring general problem might be used as a discussion topic for Com-

> Promotion of use of dairy products. We are proud of the selfhelp promotional program carried out by dairy farmers through the American Dairy Association. We are glad to note that government storage stocks of dairy products have been sharply reduced.

> We urge every dairyman to support the A.D.A. through the year-around monthly set-asides of 2 cents per hundred pounds of milk or 1/2 cent per pound of

Bang's disease and tuberculosis control. It is of great economic eases, such as Bang's and T. B., search at Michigan State Univer- be eradicated from our herds. The Congress has made an appropriation to be available to the states sary that the Michigan Legislature make adequate funds avail-Records of livestock sales. able for this purpose. We urge Records of sales are valuable and our State Legislature to take immediate action to support the ness. At the present time no State Department of Agriculture's request for an adequate state marketed in Michigan is available appropriation to carry out the radication of Bang's and T.B. on

the state to know the number of sors. We recommend that all for months. He recovered and in livestock marketed, the size of commercial poultry processing the early fall came to Lansing to the Elevator Exchange. He had the industry, to evaluate its im- plants be licensed at a small fee visit the Michigan Farm Bureau We endorse the "Ask the Farmer | portance and for many other rea- and be inspected to insure sani- in its new office building. Short- | board several years ago.

hundredweight. There is a wide variation in the number of pounds per bushel for various kinds of grain. When grain is bought or sold by the bushel the weight has to be converted into bushels and that amount, probably involving a fraction, has to be multiplied by the price per bushel. It would be much simpler for those engaged in such transactions if the sale were made by the hundredweight rather than by the bushel. This would also assist D.H.I.A. testers and those desiring to decide which grain represents the best buy at any prevailing schedule of prices.

Buying and selling grain by

Ingredients in feeds. We favor retaining the law which requires stating the content of minor ingredients in feeds by listing these ngredients and their percentage on the analysis tag.

Coloring poison seed grain. Most seed grain is now treated with toxic material. This could be poisonous to humans and livestock even when a little is blended in a carload. There are fortyseven carloads of wheat which have been placed under seizure and which are in storage at the Michigan Elevator Exchange Plant, at Ottawa Lake.

We favor legislation to require staining of all grain which is treated with poisionous material so that its presence could be

Waldo Phillips Helped Start Farm Bureau

Waldo E. Phillips, 72, one of the founders of the Michigan Farm Bureau, and leader in Farm Bureau and farm cooperatives for 35 years, died at a Benton Harbor hospital Novem-

Mr. Phillips was injured seriously in an automobile accident Inspection of poultry proces- last April and was hospitalized

ly thereafter he was taken ill. He is survived by Mrs. Phillips.

The 36th annual convention of the Farm Bureau was saddened by Mr. Phillips' death. He was one of those who organized the Michigan State Farm Bureau at



WALDO E. PHILLIPS

East Lansing February 4, 1919. Waldo was president in 1923-24 and again in 1935. He served as a director for 20 years, longer than any other person.

Mr. Phillips helped organize the Michigan Elevator Exchange in 1920, first as the grain marketing department of the Farm Bureau. When it was incorporated separately in 1921, Mr. Phillips was elected a director and served continuously. He was president

in 1922-24 and again from 1948. Mr. Phillips was also chairman of the Michigan Ass'n of Farmer

Waldo Phillips was born on a farm near Decatur. His father died when he was 11. The young man was graduated from Decatur high school and attended the University of Michigan for a

He returned to the farm in 1902 to work for an uncle and was married December 9, 1903 to Miss Edith Osborne of Decatur. They began farming on their own in 1904 on a farm which was to be their home for 51 years. Waldo retired from farming a few years ago, but continued his work with

## Insurance is important in successful farming



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The Gaskills are protected by Farm Bureau farm liability, fire and windstorm, automobile and life insurance.

"Farmers need the protection of a complete insurance program," commented Mr. Gaskill. "And in Farm Bureau insurance we have protection against all farm hazards. It's just sound business to provide protection and security through our own Farm Bureau Insurance Companies.'



Lloyd Gaskill and his son, Robert, are seen with a few of their prize Holsteins. For the past five years they have had a herd butterfat average of over 500 lbs. Robert and his wife, Betty, and their two children, Kathie, 6, and Karen, 5, live on the farm that Robert bought at 18 with receipts from 4-H Club work.

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## Discussion Topics

These were chosen by your State Discussion Topic Committee from the results of the questionnaire returned by the Community Farm Bureaus.

and the Farmer. Feb. The Serious Political Attacks on Farm-

ers Cooperatives.

Jan. Industry's Guaranteed Annual Wage

Be sure to read your discussion article in the Michigan Farm News. Attend your Community Farm Bureau

ports these days. The merger of solve the farmer's income problarge labor unions can have but lem. Will it? Let's analyze it. one objective-to gain advantages | When we talk about income, voluntarily refuse to display and in accident prevention. High for themselves regardless of the we have to get down to NET In- sell the magazines which they schools and 4-H clubs render a effect on others in the economy. come. What is net income? Will feel are detrimental. This point condemns labor no 100% of parity on price guaran-

maintain a good standard of liv- ity for the use and improvement too, that there are leaders of powerful groups in America seek- income is made up of three our soil. ing to turn our whole national things: (1) The price you get.

fabric to Socialism. Sometimes (2) The number bushels, pounds they admit it—but more often or units you sell at that price. sponsibility on agriculture and safety needs and believe all (3) We must then subtract the the Nation to safeguard our needcosts of producing the things we ed future food production facilit-The trend toward socialist prin- sell before we arrive at net in- ies. Farm owners and farm rentciples and practices in our coun- come. We may have to include ers as well as our urban popula-

socialist state the farmer may sets a good price, but limits the hold the deed to his land-but amount of the crops that you can what he is allowed to do with grow or sell? Will this good gov- tricts now organized in Michigan that land, and how much he is ernment price make up the difpermitted to earn, is set by gov- ference created by your cut-back ed farmers serving without salary ernment authority. We have had in saleable products? We could and are effective units of soil a small whiff of this trend in the easily get bushel rather than saving activity.

Don't forget the third item-Modern news broadcasts and Costs. With a mounting expense tion for the Soil Conservation articles are clouded with ideas for farm equipment and supplies, Districts. This new aid would be loaded with confusion for the a soaring demand for higher min- divided among the districts, on a farmer and the public. That is imum wages for farm labor, and matching basis, to provide a partpart of the game for those who with taxes skyrocketing to pay time paid assistant to the elected wer would be politically acceptant to the ever-growing parade of control of many a political for the ever-growing parade of control of many a political probable that no legislative answer would be politically acceptant. control of many a nation has government subsidies and agenof national confusion and tur- will your net income balance rights. Tremendous increases are brought about Sunday closing been seized in the midst of a state cies to administer them-where moil. Confuse, divide and then sheet come out? You answer taking place in the use of water demands are very largely abuses that one.

How to Hide the Ball. Trick The Farmer's Voice. Farmers Michigan's fast growing populaplays call for deception. You can know how these things work tion. This increased use makes provisions of the Horton Trespass have to do a good job of hiding, and affect their pocketbooks. necessary planned water manage- Act. This will require a willing-Farm Bureau delegates have in- ment and legislation establishing ness to carry through on prosecu-One of the best examples relat- sisted in their resolutions that rights to the use of water. Water tion of violations through the ing to the whole farm issue is the farmer should have the No. 1 legislation should not be enacted signing of a complaint and the