# 30 COUNTY FARM BUREAUS OUT TO BUILD UP MEMBERSHIPS

# **FARMER HAS THE MEANS TO MAKE** THINGS BETTER

Join With Others, Map Out Program and Work It Out

### THAT IS ORGANIZATION

What Others Have Done Well And Are Doing, We Can Do

by WILLIAM T. BARBRE

ng. We have problems social, educational, religious, and economic Our problems are oppressive and de pressive, and in some cases extermi-

For sixty years this condition has onfronted farmers and an almost continual effort has been made to hange the situation, but to little The complicated life of today has made the problems more complicated and difficult of solution, but nevertheless important. When we say that farming depends upon the solution, it likewise means that all America relies upon the solution.

There is One Answer There cannot be a single dissentng voice when the statement is made that the only way to solution is by organization. For the past sixty ears, repeatedly, efforts have been nade to better conditions and the only ones at all effective have been



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The Grange was the first organizaon of national scope at all effective.

ngs have been turned over to repre- and team workers trophies. entatives of the Farm Bureau to

to be done and done effectively.

ent had its inception. Since the orld War it has grown rapidly. uring the brief period of existence, has gained a recognition from state nd national legislative bodies and xecutives never before accorded the arming craft.

It was founded with the idea of rving the whole craft, regardless membership. When the rank and e discovered that the non-member as receiving the same benefits as e members a great many fled the ld. The national and state organations held to the ideal and today e selling the Farm Bureau on that

The only effective method of meetg the farmer's problems is organition and the organization which is already proved its worth is the arm Bureau. We are coming to rmers as a class asking them to and themselves together for servicce the whole profession. The Farm ureau is a service organization. he farmers are the Farm Bureau. herefore, the one and only appeal to join hands, stand shoulder to noulder to serve your craft first, and

condly help yourself, ould save his life shall lose it and ice at Michigan State College. (Continued on page two)

# **Seed Staining Hearing Opens at Washington**

Italian Red Clover Seed And ed to declare the seed unfit and subject to being stained red on being brought into the country. Others May Be Stained Red as Unfit

Washington, May 27—Hearings ness of the Italian, South African and are being held at the U. S. Depart-Asiatic seeds will be offered by the ment of Agriculture to determine American Farm Bureau, Michigan whether or not Italian red clover State Farm Bureau and co-operative seed and alfalfa seed imported from and private seed interests who recog-South Africa and Russian Turkestan nize the importance of adapted seeds (Asia) shall be stained red as unadapted to our climate, in accordance fit, ten per cent of all such shipments with the Gooding-Ketcham seed would be stained red. All imported staining act, which is effective May red clover and alfalfa seeds are to be

problems. We have problems of be held on all suspected seed before which will be assigned to the various production, of grading, of market- the Sec'y of Agriculture is empower- exporting countries

> To The Reader Many Farm Bureau members are sending the Farm Bureau News to some of their friends, paying the subscription to this office. We believe those folks will enjoy the pa-

per.

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# **WORKER SCHOOLS**

30 Counties Make Membership Contests Out of Campaign

Powerful team schools are being held by volunteer workers in the 30 county Farm Bureau membership campaign. Despite the rush of work. big turnouts are reported at every county gathering and those unable to come, meet later in local group meet-

The campaign workers county agree on just what they are going to do and how they are going to do it. heels.

Farm Bureau silver cups to the two counties in each campaign division nor fail to recognize the work which signing the most members. To the ing. Jackson county had 100 at its he Patrons of Husbandry have done 12 counties carrying on their memfor them. Neither should they look point as having served out its useulness. Perhaps this is no place for is awarding two cups, one to the county securing the largest member-In this very movement the Grange will be competed for by the 18 counerves an important purpose. The ties that put on the membership efoors of her halls have been flung fort the second week in June. Nearly it impossible to come on the day set, of the most conservative members of de open and even her regular meet- all counties are offering township

p and continued for a time and in shown there promises a very good dreds of Farm Bureau members are sociated Press: ery case, no doubt, have helped a membership in that county. Ber- turning out to promote the interests ttle. But the problems were in- rien's team school was attended by of their organization. reasing and the burden was becom- 135 workers despite the extreme ig more weighty. Something need- pressure visited on farmers in that county by the first splendid day in In 1912 the Farm Bureau move- several and spraying and corn plant- YOUR COUNTY TEAM SCHOOL!

stained hereafter. The Department We have material and spiritual By terms of the act, hearings must has not announced yet the colors HAUGEN FARM BILL

Farmers' interests are being represented at the hearing by the ex-

perts from the U.S. Dep't of Agri-

culture. Testimony as to the unfit-

Should these seeds be declared un-

# **KILLED IN HOUSE: LOOK TO SENATE**

Political Jockeying Wipes Out Other Bills Without A Vote

Washington, May 27-The Haugen Farm Relief bill, the only one that farmers were interested in and therefore bitterly opposed by the east, failed of adoption in the House last Saturday by a vote of 212 to 167. All Michigan members are reported to have voted against the Haugen bill, xcept Woodruff, James and Scott. Parliamentary jockeying of the Farm relief legislation at the time that the Haugen bill was being killed got the House into such a position that neither the Tincher nor Aswell relief bills may be considered. The DAWES, CUMMINS relief bills may be considered. The Haugen supporters charged that this was the result of a conspiracy t

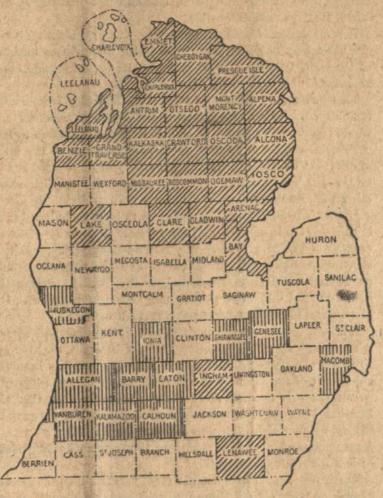
The only chance for any kind of farm relief legislation now lies with the Senate, which has a House bill providing for a federal division of ings with those who attended the Senate agr'l committee has attached as an amendment the corn belt farm relief bill proposed by the Des team school is the final step of prep- Moines conference. Should the aration in their membership organization work. Workers from all ate, the House would have to agree thereto or the two bodies work out a compromise agreement.

smother all farm relief legislation

Following the defeat of the Haugen The enthusiasm is strong at these bill in the House, Sam H. Thompson, meetings. Counties are challenging president of the American Farm Bu counties; townships are challenging reau Federation issued a statement townships and two men teams are out saying in part: 'The fight on farm reto show each other a clean pair of lief has just begun. The Farm Bureau proposes to continue the fight in Every county is after the two State the Senate with all possible vigor."

> school and will be getting the inderful meeting at Raisinville Grange

# 30 Counties in Campaign



The 30 white counties shown on this map are those in the Farm Bureau colunteer membership workers' campaign during the next two weeks. This campaign represents the greatest simultaneous organization effective ever made by farmers in Michigan or elsewhere. Upwards of 6,000 Farm Bureau member workers will take part. It means an organized Michigan agriculture. The vertical shading represents the 11 counties in the 1923 membership campaign. The diagonal shading, counties to take on th type of campaign later

# **ENDORSE SURPLUS**

Coolidge on Farm Relief

lief legislation in the House, the dea is not dead; in fact, it is perriding new sensations daily.

through surplus control and cover the losses by an equalization fee on by tariff duties. production. His views were presented to the Senate in an address by Senator Watson of Indiana. The split between Vice-Pres. Dawes and

they telephone their township chair- the Senate, one of the authors of the

TEAM WORKERS, ATTEND the senate. "The president sees it subsidy idea, Senator Cummins said our COUNTY TEAM SCHOOL!

mits it. There may be-indeed ther is-wide difference of opinion wit respect to the measures which ough to be employed, but all thinking me and women agree upon one thing "That the government should d omething to arrest the decline arm prices and farm values." Turning first to the criticism

those who describe that measure as one for government price fixing. He ment. asserted that this was a mere Washington, May 27.—Despite catch word which had led to a the defeat of the Haugen farm re-

With the exportable surplus rehaps stronger than ever and is pro-Wednesday, Vice-President Dawes endorsed the proposed legislation to traise prices on farm products a variation of manufactured articles

As to the objection that the corn Pres. Coolidge on farm relief rocked in the country in which the govern-Pres. Coolidge on farm relief rocked
Washington, Administration circles
let it be known that they were vastlv displeased.

The Michigan State Farm Bureau
board over agriculture "do not is seeking to have the New York Cenrefund on the incoming local rate and prophesying, but nevertheless I county securing the largest memberhave group meetings also. Ottawa is no place for the county securing the largest memberhave group meetings also. Ottawa for the corn belt relief bill, which respect to the county enhave group meetings also. Ottawa for the corn belt relief bill, which respect to the corn belt relief bill. Ish to venture the prophecy that the range has not reached its zenith in ower and influence.

In this very movement the Grange

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all counties are offering township they telephone their township chairdiscount is any even her regular meetdiscount is any even her "That agriculture needs the aid which the government alone can give is agreed upon everywhere and by eyery person," Senator Cummins told the senate "The president senate to shy away from the senate "The president senate to shy away from the cattle off in Michigan for grazing an early date. This rate has been and fattening on the abundance of known to be worth about \$25 per carload to shippers in some instance ed from the producers.

Refusing to shy away from the

(Continued on page 4)

# THOUSANDS OF MEMBERS VOLUNTEER TO CARRY BUREAU PROGRAM TO THEIR **NEIGHBORS AND INVITE THEIR SUPPORT**

Large Attendance at Farm Bureau Meetings Shows Strong Interest in Organization; Farmers Must Keep Up With World And Solve Own Problems

During the next two weeks several thousand Michigan Farm Bureau members in 30 counties, satisfied that their organization is improving farm life conditions and opportunities in many ways, are going to call on thousands of their neighbors to interest them in the movement.

This is in the nature of a crusade. These men and women are volunteers. They are leaving their work and giving their time and the use of their cars in the interests of a better agriculture. They receive no pay whatever and expect none.

The farming public has shown much interest in the coming Farm Bureau membership enrollment. Meetings throughout the 30 counties have been well attended. It has not been uncommon to have a series of meetings in a county average 100 or more in attendance. Many counties have reported average attendance of around 200 and at some places 300 people came out to hear the Farm Bureau program.

Everywhere people have left these meetings agreed that problems before farmers will have to be solved by farmers. No other group will want to solve our problems for us, and if another group does, the solution is not likely to be to our liking. Other groups and the Farm Bureau have shown that the easiest and most certain way for various groups of people to better their conditions is through organized effort.

The Farm Bureau is a craft organization for farmers—to improve the opportunities in and better the standing of the craft. It is more than a strictly craft organization, for it is interested in the future development of our schools, churches, the answers to our problems of legislation, highway and rail transportation, public improvements, taxation, and the working out of the farmers' co-operative marketing program. The Bureau has made progress in all these efforts.

The Michigan Farm Bureau and the 30 County Farm Bureaus in this membership campaign cordially invite every farmer in the 30 counties to join with the Farm Bureau. We Vice-President Splits With the corn belt bill, the venerable Iowa want your membership and your personal help and interest. senator dissented vigorously from We believe that you will find great satisfaction in this move-

> Below are the counties in this membership effort: Oakland Branch Livingston Saginaw Sanilac Hillsdale Midland Monroe St. Joseph Montcalm Tuscola Jackson Newaygo Washtenaw Oceana

# **BUREAU SEEKING**

About two years ago the Farm Bu-Taking up the charge that the igan railroads to allow on western to the final market

is on the railroad's direct line from the original shipping point to the final destination, as for instance, Battle Creek or Lapeer between Chicago and Buffalo. The shipper would pay an incoming local rate from Chicago

To points on side lines off such main routes, a reduction to 75 per cent of the incoming rates is providreau succeeded in getting other Mich- ed and the shipper pays the local rate

# Co-op Mgrs. In Seed and Supply Service Meeting



Friday, May 21, managers and dischools and round table discussions the way to value such preparations gers who spoke were J. C. Eardley of rectors from about 100 Michigan to enable the local ass'ns to better. The meeting was an all day affair the Rockford Elevator Ass'n; Frank This is the principle enunciated farmers co-operative ass'ns had their service their farmer patrons. At the In the exchange of ideas every man- Wilson of the Ypsilanti Farm Bureau the greatest Teacher the world second meeting with the Michigan May 21 meeting the State College ager got something of value to his Ass'n. Other speakers were Lucius s ever had when He said, "He that Farm Bureau Seed and Supply Serv- Dairy Dep't discussed with the mana- ass'n and many of them contributed E. Wilson, Wm. Rainey Bennett, gers the merits and lack of merit of good suggestions which will be adopt. Howard C. Rather. Carl Barnum and

The meetings are in the nature of various types of mineral feeds and ed by those who heard them. Mana- Louis A. Thomas were chairmen.

#### Farmers Will Be Heard OBSERVES THE PONTIAC DAILY PRESS

One of the most popular subjects of the day among politicians is "help for the farmer." 'He is a modest office seeker who has not thought out his own pet plan for agricultural relief. The trouble with many of these plans is that they are not what the farmer thinks he needs but what the office seeker thinks the

One farmer, addressing himself to his representative in Congress has little opportunity of being given much consideration. Many have taken up their legislative problems but they have taken them up as individuals and their influence has not been extensive enough to get results. This is the reason most so called relief measures originate on the outside and are applied to agriculture instead of growing up through agriculture and

This situation is to be remedied. It will be remedied through organization, and the logical organization is the American Farm Bureau. This is the voice that is going to be heard in the future and there is every opportunity that it will be an intelli-

The Oakland County Farm Bureau is soon to undertake a campaign for members. To be a part of this great organization to the end that the desires of the farmer may never fail to receive attention is reason for membership, but there are many other reasons equally as important. Through organization wonders may be accomplished. A new

better crops and better relationship with the cities and villages are things the farm community needs today, and all of these things can best be attained through proper organization.

Oakland County farmers owe it to themselves and to all other farmers of the Nation to become supporting members of the Farm Bureau.—EDITORIAL, May 10, PONTIAC DAILY PRESS.

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### STATE FARM BUREAU'S PUBLIC SERVICE PROGRAM

#### LEGISLATION

Passage of the Capper-French Truth-in-Fabric bill: completion and operation of the U. S. Muscle Shoals Nitrates plant Passage of Gooding-Ketcham Seed Stain-

**ENACTED APR. 26, 1926** 

TAXATION

Relief for sorely burdened farm property by enactment of: ENACTED JAN. 29, 1924 (a) Two cent gasoline tax for highway funds. (b) State Income Tax in place of State's general property levy. (e Law forbidding any more tax exempt

TAXES REDUCED \$67,350 ANNUALLY SINCE 1924

(d) Equalization of assessment of farm and city property in accordance with sales values of same. (Farm Bureau Investigations brought equalization in Calhoun, Ingham, Washtergaw, Monroe and Kalamazoo countles, saving farmer taxpayers \$67,350 excess taxes annually.)

TRANSPORTATION

EFFECTIVE SEPT. 10,

Immediate application of Michigan Zone Rate decision to save farmer ship-pers in 69 counties \$500,000 annually.

Extension of sound co-operative mar-keting program now well under way in

## THE PORT HURON TIMES-HERALD SAYS

In an editorial in its May 10th edition, the Port Huron Times-Herald, the great newspaper of Michigan's Thumb counties, says under the heading "The Farmer's Organization":

Five county Farm Bureaus in the Thumb district, Huron, Lapeer, Sanilae, St. Clair and Tuscola, are just now setting up membership campaigns, to be carried through during the next

These county organizations are affiliated with and are the foundation of the Michigan State Farm Bureau.

Through the county and the state organizations each Farm Bureau member is a part of the American Farm Bureau Fed-

Promoted by and affiliated with these Farm Bureaus are cooperative marketing organizations, local, state and national, by which it is designed that the farmer shall be able to approach

good business practice in the control of the marketing as well as the growing of the products of the farm.

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It is a simple scheme, although capable of greatly elaborated ramifications through all the various productions of the agricultural industry, some of which are in the way of being re-

That the co-operation idea in the Farm Bureau scheme offers the largest hope of permanent benefit to the whole business of farming, is the growing conviction of an increasingly large number of the most progressive minds which have been trained upon the farm problem.

The scheme has been worked out gradually from the original simple county Farm Bureau promoted by the Unitel States department of agriculture seven or eight years ago.

That it has persisted and has grown and developed, slowly but certainly, through all the opposition of conflicting interests, and in spite of the indifference of the majority of the farmers, is a strong indication, although not conclusive evidence, that the scheme is wise.

It is a foregone conclusion, however, that organization is the one absolutely necessary means by which the farming business of the United States is to be put upon its feet alongside other business of the nation and the world.

That being true, it follows naturally that every farmer who remains outside the organization, by so much weakens the whole movement in which his chief interest would seem to lie.

The Farm Bureau appears to be emerging out of the maze of efforts to organize the farming industry of the United States as the one organization which promises to accomplish something permanent.

If that is true, then it does not seem to be out of place for us in this column to suggest that the farmers of these five Thumb counties ought to give very careful and thoughtful consideration to the whole organization idea, and this organization in particular, when they are visited, as they will be during the next few weeks, by some of their neighboring farmers with the proposition of membership in the Farm Bureau.

It is quite generally acknowledged, by farmers and economists as well as by men in other kinds of business, that the entire lack of organization of any kind in the past has been the chief fault of the business end of farming.

But there is nothing more certain than the fact that the farming business is not actually and practically organized simply because there happens to exist an association with a farm name and a small minority of the farmers holding more or less lukewarm membership.

There was a man in a certain city who claimed a certain church as "his church," because that was the church he remained away from.

That is about the organization status of most of the farmers

And the business of farming will be "organized" only when the Farm Bureau, or some other sort of association is something more than the organization the farmers remain away

#### SOUTHWESTERN MICHIGAN IS INTERESTED

Southwestern Michigan is greatly interested in the Michigan Farm Bureau membership campaign which is being put on the first two weeks in June by 30 Michigan County Farm Bureaus. In southwestern Michigan as throughout the state, there has been large attendance at Farm Bureau meetings and local papers have carried much Farm Bureau News.

Some time ago a southwestern Michigan farm woman addressed an inquiry regarding the Farm Bureau to several farm publications. "FARM LIFE" a national publication published at Spencer, Indiana, replied on its editorial page as follows:

"What Good is The Farm Bureau"

A subscriber from Niles, Michigan, asks: "Will you kindly state what you think is the value to us, as farmers, of the Farm Bureau?" It reminds us of the old question, "What's the good of living?" The answer is, "It depends upon the liver." We shouldn't think of the Farm Bureau as some faroff, detached thing, into which we pay money and from which we get ,or fail to get, mysterious benefits. This Michigan reader (she is a woman) is just as much the Farm Bureau as anybody else in the world. The good she gets is the good she gives—she and her associate members. The Farm Bureau is team work. It is co-operation. It is pulling together. The whole Farm Bureau idea is founded on the voluntary association of a few farmers in a neighborhood into a local body. The local bodies go together and form a county bureau, the counties form a state association, and the states a national Farm Bureau. How much good does it do? In each instance it depends on how good the program is and how efficiently it is carried out-how sensible the members are in the adoption of policies and the election of officials to carry out those policies. The Farm Bureau idea is a good one. Some local bureaus are better than others, and sometimes the state and national organizations function better than at other times. And what is true of the Farm Bureau is equally true of the Grange and the Union, and other co-operative bodies. Their fundamental purposes are good.

Farmer Has Means

(Continued from page one) he that would lose his life shall save it." In other words, if we will just lose sight of self in helping others, our own welfare will be taken care

When a soldier puts on a uniform, he is no longer a self, but part of the great army organized for the protection of home and country and free institutions. He forgets self entirely but begins serving the United States and consequently serves himself since he is part of the United States.

Men Make Organizations We are in the habit of referring to labor unions as an illustration of what can and has been done by organization. We refer to their dues as the price they pay for what they get in improved conditions. Annual dues never bought any new condition for a class of people and never will. If those dues are all they put into their union, God save the union, the mon

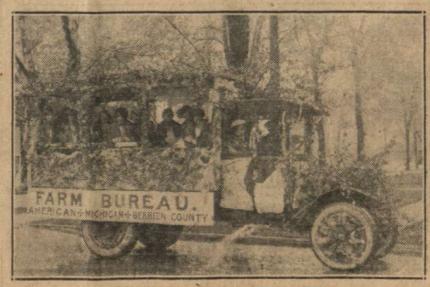
Effective organizations such as labor unions are made of men and not dues. One real live active man is worth 100 annual dues to the organnual dues but place their lives in the above,

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ey never will.

pool, not for self, but their trade. To Improve Things | You must remember that these men | TEAM WORKERS, ATTEND | have suffered in strikes and lock outs | YOUR COUNTY TEAM SCHOOL!

## IN BLOSSOM PARADE



One of the pretty floats in the annual Blossom Parade of Southwestern Michigan's Blossom Week festivities, held at St. Joseph and Benton Harbor ization. They not only pay their an- last week, was the Berrien County Farm Bureau float, which is shown

# for a month, three months, even a year when there was work to do and

he was physically able to do it, besides there was need that he work, The common cabbage worm, the for little children were dependent upon him for their food and clothing. most destructive insect enemy of cab-He stuck it through not for his own bage and related crops, is best conselfish gain but for all who worked trolled by spraying with lead arsenwith him at his trade. That is a ate or calcium arsenate says the sample of the price union labor has United States Department of Agricul-

to have a real functioning Farm Bu-

the price.

experience.

the people.

living conditions.

build the bridge.

reau, they are going to have to pay

The Farm Bureau is not in a cam

paign to raise ten dollar bills but to

raise up men, men who will put craft

above self, and put their lives in the

pool as well as their annual fees, who

will march not under the yellow flag

of selfishness but the blue flag of al-

truism. An army of farmers march-

ing toward a definite goal under an

unselfish banner will raise the stan-

Will Farmers Respond?

be raised "Can you sell Farm Bureau

memberships on this basis?" It is go-

ing to be easier to sell it to the farm-

er on this basis than from a direct

dividend proposition. Human nature

in general and with the farmer in

particular has been misunderstood.

It is often easier to get a man to put

money into a worthy cause than to

get him to invest for profit in a new field of investment. This statement

is not based upon theory but upon

Let us give a parable to represent the present situation. In a certain

community, the farmers were living

in the old way with problems of

home, school, church, society and

business overwhelming them. Across

the river was a community where

conditions were ideal. The economic

problems had been solved, the social

standards raised, the home had be-

come a castle, the school and church

were serving efficiently the needs of

Finally a farmer called his neigh-

bors together and told them of con-

ditions across the river. He said that they would all like to go across

and enjoy the advantages of better

"I have a plan," he said, "let us

join together, pool our interests, and

build a bridge, then we and all who

are on this side can go across re-

gardless of whether they are able or

willing to help build the bridge."

They decided at this meeting to at-

tempt the bridge and organized

themselves into teams of two. They

went out to the farmers asking them

to furnish a team, haul sand and

each one contribute a little money to

buy some cement and steel, and to-

gether they would build the bridge.

Man after man signed up to help

One man who was approached

said, "That is a fine thing you are

planning if it would just work out.

don't think you can ever get enough

folks to help build it. If they do,

farmers won't hang together long

enough to complete it. If they did

its own weight, because farmers do

not know how to build such a struc-

ture. Anyhow, I haven't much mon-

ey, and can't help buy the cement, and I am behind with my work;

Notwithstanding the knocking and

pessimism, the farmers did get enough help, they hung together un-

til the job was completed and the

back admiring their accomplishment

who came up but the man who didn't

have any money or time to put into it. But there he was with his family

and goods ready to be the first one

across the new bridge. Did they let

him go across? Certainly. They

built the bridge, not for themselves,

but for everyone of their craft. They

all shouted to him, "Go on across and

find a good home for yourself and

He went across. He has an obli-

gation to his neighbors who built the

bridge. He feels it even though he doesn't show it. Someday he may do

The Farm Bureau is a service or-

ganization and for everyone of the

craft, for him who helps to build it

and for him who sits back and

knocks. But the one who gets the most out of it is the one who puts

the most into it. He has a clear con-

science and feels a satisfaction in

having done something to lift the

Some 900 Ottawa county farmers attended a series of Farm Bureau

standard of life for all farmers.

meetings there.

family in the new country."

onsequently, I can't help you."

bridge was substantial and safe. While the builders were standing

get the thing done, it would fall of

Very naturally the question will

dard of life among the craft.

Cabbage Worm and Its Control " may be obtained free, from the Unit. The Cabbage Worm ed States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

More than 300 attended the recent

Fifteen Farm Bureau meetings in paid for its present standards and ture in Farmers Bulletin 1461-F Sanilac county report an average at conditions. If the farmers are ever just issued entitled, "The Common tendance of 175.

# Emergency Hay Crops

If you have lost a seeding or have but little hay in sight, this emergency hay crop news about Sudan grass and millet is for you.

Sudan Grass is the best emergency hay erop. It makes very good pasture. A hot weather plant, it is planted about the same time as corn. It makes late summer hay or pasture. If cut early, prospects are good for a second cutting. Plant Sudan grass by broadcasting 20 to 25 lbs. per aere.

Millet. We offer Golden Millet and Hungarian Millet (for low ground). It is also put in about corn planting time, at the rate of 35 to 40 lbs. per acre.

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# **Wool Pooling Dates**

Following are the points which have arranged for wool loading dates for carload shipments or more to the Michigan and Ohio wool pool warehouse at Columbus, Ohio.

If you are within hauling distance of one of these points, you may pool your wool there and get the advantage of the carload freight rate to Columbus.

Otherwise, ship direct to the Ohio Wool Growers' Association, at Columbus, Ohio, FREIGHT COLLECT.

Wool is accepted on contract only. For shipping bags write the Michigan Farm Bureau Wool Pool, Lansing, Michigan, or get them at the Co-op at the pooling point. BE SURE to thor-oughly identify your wool shipment. Put card containing your name and address inside bag and put a couple of tags on the outside. Pooling contracts will be available at the loading points below:

STATION	COUNTY	DATE	DELIVER TO
Dexter	Washtenaw	June 10-Thurs.	Dexter Agr'l. Ass'n
lackson	Jackson	June 11-Fri.	N. Y. C. Frgt. House
Coldwater	Branch	June 14-Mon.	Coldwater Co-op Co.
Jnion City	Branch	June 15-Tues.	Union City Co-op Co.
Quincy	Branch	June 16-Wed.	Quincy Co-op Elevator
Richland	Kalamazoo	June 18-Fri.	Cash F. Bissell
Hastings	Barry	June 21-Mon	Hastings Co-op Elev.
Charlotte	Eaton	June 22-Tues.	Farmers Elev. Company
Brooklyn	Jackson	June 23-Wed.	Brooklyn Co-op Company
Marcellus	Cass	June 23-Wed	Four Co. Co-op Ass'n
Cassopolis	Cass	June 24-Thurs.	Central Farmers Ass'n
Hillsdale	Hillsdale	June 24-Thurs.	Hillsdale Co-op Ass'n
Oxford	Oakland	June 29-Tues	Oxford Farm Bureau Local
Mt. Pleasant	Isabella	June 29-Tues.	Mt. Pleasant Co-op Elev.
Coleman	Midland	June 30-Wed.	Coleman Farm Bur. Elev.
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Wool is also being received at State Farm Bureau headquarters Lansing, 221 N. Cedar Street, from farmers in that vicinity and carload shipments will be made as soon as enough wool is accumulated to warrant same.

Michigan Farm Bureau 1926 Wool Pool

Lansing, Michigan

# **Use This Coupon**

Application for 1926 Wool Marketing Contract Michigan Farm Bureau Wool Pool LANSING, MICHIGAN.

Gentlemen: Please send me a 1926 Wool Marketing Contract. You to furnish sacks for shipping wool at your direction.

I expect to have about.....

SHIPPING POINT

Don't delay filling out and returning this application

# How the Farm Bureau Helps Agriculture Keep Pace With Other Industries

By M. B. McPherson
PRESIDENT OF THE MICHIGAN STATE FARM BUREAU



When we study history we find that the largest animals weren't always the ones that won out in the battle for "the survival of the fittest." Similarly, the ruling nations of various ages weren't always the countries that had the largest population totals.

The greatest measure of success has always come to those individuals or groups which have possessed alertness, unity, leadership and vision.

Both from the standpoint of numbers of people engaged in it and capital investment, agriculture stands head and shoulders above all other American industries.

Yet bitter experience has shown us that the unorganized farmer is hopelessly helpless in dealing with the closely organized groups that surround him on every side. Thus in the past the farmer has often had the short end of the evener.

A mob of thousands may be controlled easily by a company of a hundred trained soldiers, so something besides mere numbers is necessary, to secure a fair deal and an equality of opportunity for farmers.

Profiting from the experience of other industries and classes, we see that the thing that is necessary to insure satisfactory, financial returns and favorable treatment from other groups is ORGANIZATION.

During the last six years organized agriculture, through the Farm Bureau movement, has gone forward with tremendous strides. The farmers are taking their rightful place in the procession of progress. Nothing like it has ever been seen in the history of American agriculture. Some of the fruits of Farm Bu-

Farmers Given Voice in Legislation

reau organization are recalled, as follows:

For many years past, both business and organized labor have been improving their conditions by securing favorable state and national legislation. The unorganized farmer was at a hopeless disadvantage when it came to securing the laws which he desired. This was true both at Lansing and at Washington. The Farm Bureau has proved the way out of this difficulty. A thumb-nail summary of the Farm Bureau's record in legislation is as follows:

National:—Farm Bureau aid passed National Co-operative Marketing Law, Anti-Filled Milk Bill, Packer and Stockyards Control Act; secured Rural Credits and Federal Warehouse Law. Defeated Nolan Land Tax and Federal Sales Tax. Secured duty on clover seed and wool and kept duty on oleomargarine. Enacted Gooding-Ketcham law to stain imported red clover and alfalfa seeds to protect farm-

State:—Farm Bureau won 2c Gas Tax; got Michigan Seed Law compelling dealers to show seed origin; got Anti-Discrimination Law protecting local co-ops from unfair competition of hostile interests; won passage of Michigan Filled Milk Bill.

Furnishes Facts for Farmers

Many of the above legislative victories have been made possible because the Michigan State Farm Bureau has supplied regular legislative reports and other news to all of the weekly newspapers in the state and to the two Michigan farm papers. The Michigan Farm Bureau News is published twice a month by The State Farm Bureau to keep the members informed

A WELL INFORMED on matters of particular interest to them. It is read by members in 62 counties and is a powerful arm of the Farm Bureau movement.

Protects Farmers in Traffic Matters

The vigorous, persistent fight of the Michigan State Farm Bureau was probably the deciding factor in winning the Zone Freight Rate Case, saving Michigan farmers at least \$500,000 annually. Savings in many counties amount to more than paid in as Farm Bureau dues. This is a sample of what organization can do for farmers in railroad matters. Then, too, the Farm Bureau Traffic Department is always at the service of the members and their co-ops. It quotes rates and audits freight bills. During the past year \$10,000 worth of claims for loss, damage and overcharge were collected.

Co-operative Wool Marketing Service

The last two years wool poolers have secured an average of 4c more per pound over local prices. Growers in the pool sold on grade; got full value. Quality was rewarded and encouraged. This year's pool

promises to be larger than those of 1924 and 1925. Farm Bureau Fabrics Department handles only 100% virgin wool goods.

The Truth in Feeds and Seeds

wholesale and buys at retail. Farming is a business and to be successful must employ business methods in both marketing and purchasing of farm supplies. The Farm Bureau Supply Service put the principle of "Collective Bargaining" into effect for the benefit of Bureau members and their co-ops. It developed "Michigan Milkmaker" and "Open Formula" poultry feeds. These feeds tell the buyer exactly what they contain, pound for pound, something the farmer has always wanted to know about his feeds. This Farm

Bureau truth-in-feeds policy has made these feeds very popular; 260 co-operative ass'ns distribute them.

Seed Service Worth More Than Bureau Cost
The Farm Bureau Seed Service supplies only pure seed of northern
origin, adapted to Michigan conditions. Largely because of Farm

Bureau seed, alfalfa acreage in Michigan has increased 357% in the last 5 years. More Michigan acres were planted to Farm Bureau alfalfa last year than the total acreage of alfalfa in the state in 1919. The Seed Service provides a good market for surplus farm seeds.

During the past season alone, Michigan farmers planted the following acreages to Farm Bureau Brand Seeds: 85,000 acres to Alfalfa; 30,000 acres to June Clover; 33,333 acres to Sweet Clover and 75,000 acres to Timothy. The above acreage of Farm Bureau Brand Seeds for one season is a fair indication of how much

this co-operative pure, Michigan adapted seed service is appreciated.

Another great service given by the Farm Bureau Seed Service is its custom cleaning of farmers' seed at a low service charge. The Farm Bureau's seed cleaning plant is one of the best in the country, and its standards are second to none.

Maintains Poultry Exchange at Detroit

Farm Bureau Poultry Exchange at 2610 Riopelle St., Detroit, insures Michigan farmers interested and honest dealing in the sale of live poultry, eggs and dressed veal.

Fosters Co-operative Marketing

State Farm Bureau established and developed the Michigan Elevator Exchange, which during the past year marketed 1,300 cars of beans and 3,178 cars of grain, doing an annual business of \$8,000,000 for 25,000 members. Mar-

beans and 3,178 cars of grain, doing an annual business of \$8,000,000 for 25,000 members. Market stabilized and strengthened; surplus built up and substantial patronage dividends declared to member co-ops.

Bureau has promoted the interest of other affil-BENEFITS OUT lated commodity exchanges. Helped establish local co-ops and has assisted them in many ways.

# These Are The Things That Make For Better Living

From the above brief outline, it is apparent that the Farm Bureau movement has a well-rounded program of service. It benefits farmers in all phases of their business and community life.

County Farm Bureaus have given liberally of their funds for the financing of agricultural extension work, for the promotion of the boys' and girls' club and home demonstration projects.

The Farm Bureau Seed Service has helped farmers to grow better crops and protect themselves against serious crop failures due to the planting of unadapted seed.

That the farmer might have a square deal with other organized groups and classes, the Farm Bureau has actively represented him and sought to protect his inter-

ests in regard to freight rates and other transportation matters, state and national legislation and tax laws.

The whole purpose of the above program is to make agriculture more profitable, not merely that the farmer might have more money, but because of what that increased purchasing power means to him.

The Farm Bureau seeks not only to make agriculture more profitable, but to help the farm family translate this increased purchasing power into terms of better homes, brighter prospects for the boys and girls, more neighborly communities and thus to make a more permanent and stable basis for democracy and self-government in our nation.

# JOIN WITH THE FARM BUREAU IN THIS PROGRAM!

# They Would Sell Us One Worn Out Canal

Are Out To Trim The Middle West

> hot session of the House, the New nated from the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence waterway proposal and Chicago advocates of unlimited diversion of water from Lake Michigan have had a serious setback.

We have read much in daily newspaper reports from Washington regarding the troublesome times that have come upon the National Administration with the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence waterway and the New York "All American" waterways plan deadlock. Chicago friends of unlimited water diversion from Lake Michigan to carry Chicago sewage into the Mississippi and to provide water for a barge canal to the Gulf of Mexico, are ready to trade with the Easterners. Some amazing things are being proposed by opponents of the St. Lawrence waterway. And some good work is being done by Michigan Congressmen to protect our interests and prevent a great national steal. Briefly, the waterways situation

is about like this: The Great Lakes-St. Lawrence waterway, which would provide an international, deep, waterway to the sea, is well along in Congress. This route is nearly 1,000 miles shorter from Buffalo to Europe than by way of New York. It has few locks and is not obstructed by bridges. Never- Dawes, Cummins For theless, this plan is seriously endangered by New York, which wants to eliminate the St. Lawrence plan and sell the U. S. Government the old, obsolete Erie canal and take the proposed Lakes to sea traffic through the State of New York and

New York harbor. Erie Canal Facts The Erie canal was built 100 years ago, has cost New York \$300, 000,000 and is costing about \$30, 000,000 annually to maintain. Onc the Erie canal was of great service Today it is not a success, even though politicians caused New York to sink an immense sum in deepening and widening the canal. The

all of which would have to be rais ed or rebuilt as jack-knife bridge to make the canal passable for ships. Many of the bridges are railroad structures, which means crushingly heavy grading expenses to raise approaching tracks to the level which would permit ocean going vessels to pass under.

Erie canal is crossed by 90 bridges

The bridge and railroad grade be caused by such bridges, the enormous expense of deepening and widening the whole Erie canal from Buffalo to the Hudson River, 363 miles, would be prohibitive, U. S. canal. The New York plan would tries and trades. cost three times the St. Lawrence river improvement plan. Nevertheless, New York has a canal to get rid of and doesn't want to see the port of New York lose anything, regardless of the excessively high

freight handling costs that now re-

What We Face from Lake Michigan; Chicago for living. carrying away the city's and packer's sewage and to provide water for a barge canal to the gulf, the Valley farmer is entitled to sufficient income states concurring in the last item, from his farm to pay a reasonable This barge canal would provide for dividend on his investment and pay only 9 ft. draught, which means for labor performed sufficient to in-barges, not ships. Indications are sure himself and family an American that New York and the East and Il- standard of living. linois and the States south lying along the Mississippi are willing to trade votes to sell the nation an obsolete canal and cluttered-up Lakes of present reasonable cash values, on the one hand, and to milk the prices, which results in unjustly If You to Sea waterway of doubtful value and not on the basis of inflated war Great Lakes for Chicago's sewage high farm taxation. disposal and a barge canal to the Gulf of Mexico on the other. The welfare and rights of the Lake States mean little to these people.

Michigan Congressmen Act Rep. Sosnowski of Detroit and other Michigan Congressmen have bean firms in making tests on a been in the forefront in blocking the 3,000 bushel lot of choice handpicked attempt to destroy the Lakes to the beans stored in its elevators, of the Sea plan by allowing unscrupulous grade farmers ordinarily use as politicians to substitute inferior seed, found that they averaged less measures for it. Mr. Sosnowski re- than 50 per cent germination. Test cently exposed a plan to tie the ad- your beans before planting or you

## **Detroit Poultry** Market

As given by Mich. Farm Bureau Poultry Exch., 2610 Riopelle street, May 27, 1926:

May 27, 1926:

Broflers, Barred Rocks, 2½-3 lbs... 48-50 Broflers, Barred Rocks, 1½-2 lbs... 46-47 Broflers, R. I. Reds, 2½-3 lbs... 48-86 Broflers, R. I. Reds, 1½-2 lbs... 44-48 Broflers, White Rocks, 2-3 lbs... 45-8 Broflers, White Rocks, 2-3 lbs... 45-8 Broflers, Small, poorly feathered...

NO DEMAND Broflers, Leghorn, 2-2½ lbs... 40-8 Broflers, Leghorn, 1½-2 lbs... 38-8 Broflers, Leghorn, 1½-2 lbs... 38-8 Broflers, Leghorn, 1½-2 lbs... 38-8 Broflers, Leghorn, 1½-2 lbs... 32-33 Hens, smooth, yellow-legged, 3½-4½ lbs... 32-33 Hens, ordinary, 4-5 lbs... 32-8 Hens, cotored Stags, Leghorn, 18-20 Cox... 18-20 C

Several Congressional Groups assistance, rush that plan through discredited the schemers, Mr. Sos nowski also exposed the weakness the Erie canal plan, as set forth it this article. Michigan and other Lake Washington, May 26 .- Due to state Congressmen have forced the efforts of Michigan and Lake Chairman Dempsey, (a New York state Congressmen, in a recent man), of the Congressional Rivers and Harbors committee to admit to York barge canal has been climi- the committee records very unfavorable facts regarding the New York plan and to make damaging admissions regarding the practicability of the Erie canal as a commercially practical Lakes to the Sea waterway

Meanwhile, a large and influential Eastern journal published In New York, says of the middle west states effort for an outlet to the sea, "About no other public question has it been so easy for the West to fall under the spell of hallucinations. \* \* \* The West always expends so much energy in advocating what it thinks it wants that it is to be regretted that more time is not given to advance research."

In other words, as long as we never know what we want, but just think we do, and are inclined to be seeing things, let's drop all our organized effort and leave such questions as the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence waterway to those in New York and Chicago who know what is good for Michigan, Ohio, Wiscon sin, Minnesota and other Middle West states.

Or shall we maintain strong Farm Bureau and strong industrial organizations in the Middle West to protect and promote our interests in such matters?

# Farm Surplus Control

(Continued from page 1) it astonished him to see some men holding up their hands at such a suggestion when the government had given subsidies in the form of high tariff duties, had paid subsidies to the railroads during government operation and now is paying a sub sidy for operation of the government owned merchant fleet.

# PLATFORM CARRIES FOUR FARM PLANKS

At the recent convention of the Democratic party of Michigan, the following agricultural planks were made part of that party's platform upon the request of Farm Bureau members of that party at the convention. The Farm Bureau News wil raising costs, the delays which would also publish the Republican farm planks when they are available. Following is the Democrat platform for Michigan agriculture: AGRICULTURE

We pledge the Democrat party of engineers have informed Congress. Michigan to an honest endeavor to On the other hand, the St. Lawrence stabilize agriculture by the passage river would require deepening for of such legislation as lays within our about 33 miles, with seven locks, as power to place the farming industry against 29 to 31 locks for the Eric on an equal footing with other indus-

We recognize the economic depresion through which agriculture has been passing during the past six years, as is conclusively proven by the thousands of abandoned Michigan farms from which owners and tensult from present congestion there, ants have been forced to move to the cities, because these farms have not The Chicago or Illinois crowd and brought in sufficient income to pay the Mississippi Valley States south the high taxes on said farms and give want unlimited water diversion the farmer and his family a decent

We believe that the Michigan

We believe that Michigan farm lands should be assessed on the basis

#### Warning on Beans!

The Elevator Exchange advises to day that one of the leading Michigan ministration to the New York plan may not have a crop. Moisture con-and with Mississippi Valley states tent generally ran very high last

> Charley Tucker, Ransom twp. y, lined up 11 volunteer member ship workers in this township in half

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Lansing, May 27—The co-opera-ive Michigan Elevator exchange, ales agency for many Michigan coperative local elevator association ncluded in its membership, report on the markets today as follows:

WHEAT-The price of cash wheat n Michigan has been steadily deral bids in Michigan this morning \$1.50 to the farmer and we hope that those of you who read our market letters followed our advice and sold your wheat when the bids were around \$1.65 to \$1.70.

New wheat is heading out in the

outhwest and harvest will be under way out there in another three weeks.

Basis today's market for July wheat in Chicago the price to the Michigan farmer for new wheat Judeilvery to the elevator is \$1.30. RYE — Market seems cheap enough and while there probably will not be any big advance in rye prices, we do not think that rye vill sell much cheaper for a couple of months.

OATS and CORN-No prospect of any material advance. BEANS — Around \$4.00 hand-picked basis to the farmer, there seems to be quite liberal stocks of beans for sale. When the price breaks under \$4.00, offerings dry up. We look for a steady market for the next two months, with probably an advancing tendency.

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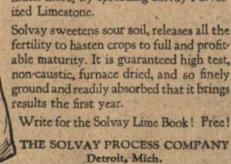
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# Ensilage Corn

85-92-96 per cent Test!

Sound, seed corn germinating 90 per cent or better means something this season when newspapers throughout the state are reporting very low germination for

The Farm Bureau has limited stocks of high grade, high germinating seed corn for ensilage purposes. All these corns have been recleaned in our plant. Graded to run through the planter nicely. You needn't worry about tips and butts. One of these varieties will meet your requirements:

Farm Bureau YELLOW ENSILAGE A large growing, early maturing corn, produced in Will give big stalk with considerable grain over most of Michigan. This lot tests 96% germination, although we are using our standard guarantee of 90%.

Farm Bureau RED COB ENSILAGE Nebraska grown, 1924 seed. Good and dry. Will give somewhat heavier yield of fodder than Yellow Ensilage, but not so much grain. Actual germination 92%.

Farm Bureau EUREKA ENSILAGE

A big Virginia grown corn, germinating better than 85% and is the genuine stuff. This corn grows tremendous stalks, but NO GRAIN in this locality.

For prices and other information regarding these and other Farm Bureau Brand Michigan adapted, carefully selected and tested seeds, see your local co-operative ass'n. If you can't be supplied locally, write us. Michigan Farm Bureau Seed Service

# Lansing, Michigan

# ORDER YOUR BINDER TWINE -NOW-

The demand for Michigan State Industries binder twine, made at Jackson, is always heavy. Some times the supply becomes limited. Therefore, we suggest that you see your co-operative ass'n manager at once and order your 1926 needs.

The Michigan Farm Bureau Supply Service handles Jackson twine because it is the best, It is one of the few standard Yucatan Sisal twines containing long



We are offering Jackson twine in two sizes—the old five pound ball and the new 8 pound ball, illustrated here. The 8 pound ball fits and works nicely, in any can that holds a 5 pound ball. We recommend it.

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