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FORTY-ONE COUNTIES REPRESENTED AT FARM BUREAU MEETING



Sparks From the Legislative Anvil Captured, Confined in Cold Type, Sentenced to Serve Our Members

Sparks from the Legislative Anvil Lawmakers Stage Comic Skit Open Season on Lobbyists Bounty For Their Pelts

By STANLEY M. POWELL If it is true that humor is based on incongruous situations, then certainly we can imagine nothing mor amusing than a bunch of supposedly could propose.

Nearly every biennial session of the Legislature is marked by one or only 26 voting in the negative. outbursts of unrestrained horse-play when the members let their imaginations run riot and vie with each other in an attempt to see proposal. The biggest "scream" of the session thus far was the way in which the House Committee of the Whole dressed up the administration's anti-lobby bill which propose to define and regulate "legislativ counsel" and "legislative agents."

Rep. Chas H. Culver of Detroit started the monkey-business when he many other powerful groups. proposed the following amendment 'Provided that after any legislative counsel or agent has been duly enrolled by the Secretary of State, that all such persons shall receive an ear mark and brand, and provided further that during the sessions of the Legislature it shall be lawful for any member to kill any legislative counsel or agent and upon presentation of the pelt, bearing said ear mark and brand, the Secretary of State shall pay a bounty in the amount of forty cents, unless such person shall have weighed more than 225 pounds, when the bounty shall be sixty cents."

The sixty cent bounty for the pelt of any lobbyist weighing over 225 pounds was taken to refer to John L Lovett, the gigantic General Manager and veteran lobbyist of the Michrecent adversary of Gov. Fred W. Green in a scrap over lobbyism.

This amendment precipitated some serious and a good deal of nonsensical discussion. Finally it was adopted with a roar of affirmative votes.

After this entering wedge, the going was easy and every other amend. ment proposed, no matter how wild,

The next amendment submitted was by Rep. Milton R. Palmer of Detrolt and was as follows: "Provided that the Secretary of State shall make mos entries on the dockets for legislative agents or legislative counsel, until all such persons have been duly examined by the Secretary of State or someone under his direction as to their physical fitness and mental qualifications. If the Secretary of State's examination is passed by applicant, then the Secretary of State shall issue a credential in the form of a yellow ticket, bearing thereon a complete physical description of the applicant, including a photograph. The applicant will then be enrolled upon the docket, provided he or she has purchased a serial numbered five-pointed tin star, from the State Treasurer, for a fee of \$25 and the numer of said badge entered on the docket opposite the name of the applicant.'

Rep. Palmer called attention to the fact that his amendment would not include any examination as to the morals of lobbyists as he didn't think morality was one of the qualifications for such work.

R. Ming of Cheboygan proposed a plied with the provisions of this section, shall certify their names to the ately met with general public approv. Clerk of the House and the Secretary al. of the Senate, who shall prepare a The Senate accepted the amendlegislative counsel and agents shall istration measure. be required to occupy seats in the press gallery of either House, but no

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Once Defeated 38-50, 3 Cent Gas Tax Passes House 65-26

28 HOUSE MEMBERS CHANGE FRONT ON **MEASURE TO BOOST GAS TAX WITHOUT** ANY FORM OF REDUCTION IN LICENSES

Farm Bureau Fights Proposal To Last Ditch; Resolution And Petition Emphasizing Position Carried To Legislature; Bill's Support A Mystery

Defeat in the House of the Leland 3 cent gas tax bill on April 27, by a vote of 38 yeas to 50 nays was a short lived victory for those who opposed any added tax burdens which would not lower other taxes. Eight days after taking the solemn and dignified lawmakers try- action which we reported with so much approval and satisfacing to see what ridiculous ideas they tion in our last issue, the Representatives took up the Leland the Michigan State Farm Bureau in bill again and passed it with 65 members supporting it and protesting against a proposed move agent of St. Clair county, May 1, Ear

The only change made in the bill after it was taken from at intervals along the line for the rectors of the Michigan State Farm the table and brought up for final passage the second time purpose of finishing loading or un- Bureau for the past five years, r was the adoption of an amendment providing for the diswhich can suggest the most absurd tribution of approximately \$1,000,000 equally among the 83 counties in the state.

It will always remain more or less a mystery to the general public as to just how this bill was crammed through the House despite the most active opposition of the Michigan State Farm Bureau, the Detroit influence, the automobile manufacturers and dealers, the Michigan Manufacturers' Association, and

AS THE TABLE TURNED

In our last issue we printed on the front page a table showing how the Representatives voted on the Leland 3 cent gasoline tax when it came up for final passage in the House Wednesday, April 27. At that time the bill received 38 affirmative and 50 negative votes. It was reconsidered and placed on the table and on Thursday, May 5, taken from the table and brought up for final passage

On this occasion the Representatives lined up as follows-the names of the 28 Representatives who-had opposed the bill eight days before, but who changed their stand and supported it on May 5, are printed in capital letters:

FULLER

GILLETT

HARNLY

Hartman

HULETT

Hartzog

BIPK
BIRKHOLM
BLACK
BOYLE
BRADLEY
Brainerd
BRAKE
Braun
Cameron
CAMPBELL, JOS. L
Coleman
Cook
Darin
DeBoer
DESHANO
DEXTER
Dykstra, Ate
DYKSTRA, JOHN
EMERSON
ESPIE
Farrier
A distance
Armstrong
Ready

Jahnke Lawson MacDonald MacKinnon MARTIN McEACHRON MILLER, PHILEMON J. Speaker, Gardner Ming

Budge Campbell, Wm. B. Clement Cowan

Goodwine Haight Holland Johnson Netting Odell Palmer

Woolley Reed, Charles H. The following three Representatives who voted for the bill April 27, did not vote May 5: Callahan, Good and Murphy. The following three Representatives supported the bill on the first vote but turned against it on May 5: Cowan, Palmer and Rich-

In addition to the 32 members who voted consistently for the bill on both roll calls and the 28 Representatives who flopped from opponents to supporters of the measure, the following five Representatives supported the bill on the second roll call who had not voted eight days previously: Coleman, Fitch, MacKinnon, Archie M.

The reversal on the part of the 28 the 83 counties of the state. After Palmer's amendment had members who flopped over fron. op- Another feature of the bill pro- tion to everyone interested," been adopted vociferously, Rep. Fred ponents to supporters of this bill is vides for the payment of \$2,000 per roll-call for all lobbyists so that he the pronounced sentiment of the line highways included within their mixed quartet from Deerfield town- that the board "shall take such ac-'could see just who was on the job." public generally that the gas tax limits. It is said that there are 800 ship entertained, accompanied by tion." His amendment read as follows: should not be increased without a miles of such city and village trunk Mrs. Herman Garbow at the piano. The Secretary of State, when such corresponding decrease in the weight lines and that this provision of the The quartet consists of Mrs. Herman Michigan Legislature, Mr. Goodwine legislative counsel or agent has com- tax. This position was first advanced bill will cost the state \$1,600,000 an- Rogers, Mrs. Zera Clough, Mrs. led a vigorous, farmer supported by the Farm Bureau and it immedi- nually.

roll call of legislative counsels and ments made to the bill by the House agents, and daily shall call such roll to will receive the Governor's signs.

Session.

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What the Bill Will Do In suggesting why he would not equivalent to half the weight tax

on the basis of the amount of license

nally voted on this important bill is maining one-eighth of this return president of the organization said, en years. shown in the accompanying table. would be distributed equally among "such a meeting of progressive farm- Action of the State Farm Bureau

Morrison, D. F.

Reid, Archie M.

MUSSON

Rorick

Sargent

SKEELS

Strauch

TURNER

Wade

Warner

Richardson

Trestrail

Upjohn

Walters

Wardell

Watson

Rose

Rauchholz

MORRISON, E. C.

READ, J. HERBERT

THOMAS, WALTER

Thomas, Wm. J.

especially hard to explain in view of mile to cities and villages for trunk spersed with songs and readings. The tutional provision which specifies

Many of the Representatives who ons. bill to boost the highway funds \$6 .- several readings. weight tax. This was the position of agent, spoke on the progress of agthe Michigan State Farm Bureau, riculture and its outlook for the fu-The Leland bill in its final form which actively opposed the Leland ture. appropriation shall be made by the raises the gas tax to 3 cents per gal-bill and sent many resolutions and Mr. Bennett's plea was for con-

Despite the fact that state officials ditional members and in maintain make any appropriation for seats for will be distributed back to the counthe lobbyists, Rep. Ming declared ties. Seven-eighths of this amount the Legislature showing that the that they did so much "sitting on the will be divided as at present, that is, present gas and weight tax laws (Continued on page four)

FARM BUREAU HAS **BEGUN BATTLE TO CURB RAIL COSTS**

Move By Railroads Would Hit Farmers Hard In Michigan

50% RATE RISE SEEN

Carriers Would Eliminate Fractional Loading Of Carlots

Practically every shipping interest n the middle west is joining with of the railroad companies to cancel McCarty of Bad Axe. Thumb district all privileges of stopping freight cars representative on the board of di loading the cars for car lot ship-signed from the board at the reg-

brought to bear to head off the hear- wine, of Sanilac county, who is t ing called by the carriers for May hold office until the next annual 19 before the rate committee of the meeting of the state organization Central Freight Association, at Chidozen of the midwest states.

To grant the railroad companies lot rates because the bulk of these fice in St. Clair county. commodities are not taken in car lots at the average unloading point nor are cars loaded full at each shipping point.

As an instance: Two local shipping associations might have enough livestock to fill a car but unless the stock all was loaded at one point the entire shipment would be classified as an "L. C. L.," less than car lot shipment, and about 50 per cent more would be charged for transporting it.

A hearing was slated before the Tuesday, upon petition of the State Farm Bureau Traffic Department to obtain feeder rates for shipping cattle and sheep over the Wabash and the New York Central railroad. These rates have been in effect several years on the Pere Marquette, the Grand Trunk, the Michigan Central and the Pennsylvania railroads in lower Michigan. These rates, or these two additional lines, would mean a very great saving to farmers on their livestock shipments.

MECOSTA HOLDS SECOND BANQUET

100 Attend Annual Affair At Big Rapids, May 2. Plan Big Year

analyze the problems confronting ag- Bureau, with which he has been con-Farm Bureau members of Mecosta started, seven years ago; the Michi- way cars are maintained on the Mexiby F. W. Bennett, of the Organiza- with a service record of five years of beans may be fumigated. On antion department of the State Farm with this organization and the Mich-other it may be a carlot of canta-Bureau at the second annual ban- igan Bean Growers association, of loupes, or a shipment of ixtle, the value of which is paid in full to the reau at Big Rapids, May 2.

most enthusiastic meetings ever held Bureau for six years, has been a among the other products that must Just how each Representative fi- fees paid in by each county. The re- in the county and as E. H. Gale, member of the board there for sev-

Legislature to furnish either of the press galleries."

The possibly more than 1 am working ever described by the lon, makes no change in the weight tax and provides that an amount press galleries."

Were given short talks by executives the fact to the Replace to the Replace

A suppressed resolve will betray itself in the eyes. - George Eliot.

New Director Picked By State F. Bureau



Taking up the work of count ular meeting, May 5. The board ar Every bit of pressure is being pointed as his successor John Good

The hearing is sought to in- State Farm Bureau as a board mem clude the Central Freight Associa- ber, Mr. McCarty has been a very tion territory and the Western Trunk active director. Much regret was ex Line territory-including nearly a pressed over his having to give up the duties of director at this time

Along with his resigning from victory in this undertaking would this board he announced that he is mean that all commodities, including also withdrawing from the directormill stuffs and about everything the at this time in order that he may be of Buffalo, assisted by the farm orfarmer is directly interested in would in position to devote all his time and ganizations of Michigan, New York. have to be shipped at less than car efforts to the work of his new of- Indiana and Ohio, have resulted in big organization requires organizing



He succeeds Claude L. Nash as the agricultural agent of St. Clair county. Mr. Nash recently resigned from that office to become director of or- patronizing the Buffalo market. ganization for the State Farm Bu-

resignations were being sent in to the boards of the Bad Axe Commun-Collective thinking and acting ity club; the Farmers' Elevator, at through farmer groups have helped Bad Axe; the Huron County Farm riculture in recent years, about 100 nected as a board member since it County were told in a short address gan Crop Improvement association.

Mr. Goodwine, who has been sec-This was one of the largest and retary of the Sanilac County Farm pers string hears and dve wood are

ers and their wives is an inspira- board in picking a successor imme diately upon the resignation Mr. Mc SOUTHERN MICHIGAN The evening program was inter- Carty was necessitated by a consti-

Serving as a representative in the Glenn Holcomb and Mrs. Fred Ly- campaign for a permanent license for automobiles and a reduced motor ve-

eed Mr. McCarty, Mr. Goodwine re-

accept this responsible position. At real company at an all-day meeting, association, gave one of the most the same time I feel that this hon-or is possibly more than I am wor-sion in the morning, the guests co-operative merchandising ever de-

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MEMBERSHIP, SALESMANSHIP AND FINANCING CO-OPERATIVES WERE THE LEADING TOPICS DISCUSSED

Delegates Approve Amending The Articles Of Association And Thus Enable Bureau To Expand The Scope Of Its Varied Functions In The State

This agriculture is facing a new day, as told by C. L. Nash in his first address as organization director of the State Farm Bureau, was well demonstrated at the meeting, May 4, at Michigan State College when more than 300 farmers, representing 41 counties of Michigan turned out for the promotion of co-operative dealing.

The meeting was called for several purposes, permitting official delegates to vote on amendments to the constitution of the State Farm Bureau and its by-laws so as to enable the organization to broaden the scope of its activities; getting Farm Bureau Co-op managers together for a day of contact with headquarters and with one another and serving to bolster up a spirit of activity among the representatives of the various counties which can be done in no other manner.

This "pepping 'em up" is very essential where so many counties are preparing to sign up new members this summer and where membership work already has been begun.

Packers And Stockyards Act Brought About Close

Of Weigh-Up farm products, seed, farm equipment, ates of five other farm organizations erative Commission Association, Inc., we may do collectively what we can-

> sist" weighing up livestock, f'lling work with you and not just for you," orders out of consignments, charg he added. market and on several other east- sional assembling of this kind.

> ern markets for many years, enables the Producers Co-operative with one another and with officials Commission Association. Inc., to of the state organization they had

erate, with the Packers and Stock-details and of its development and yards Administration of the United growth. States Department of Agriculture in all respects in the commendable ac- able to farmers through the Michition it has taken to protect the best gan State Farm Bureau with Mr. interests of the livestock producers Bentall, former organization di-

Mr. McCarty announced that his FUMIGATING CARS

Fumigation houses capable of accommodating from four to 20 rail- lems. pers, string beans and dye wood are death of the purchaser.

ELEVATOR MANAGERS VISIT CEREAL PLANT

nesday, to about 80 managers and lem of financing co-operatives. The directors of co-operative elevators plan was presented to the board of of central and southern Michilgan directors of the State Farm Bureau voted to the last roll call against this Mrs. A. J. Luxon entertained with hicle weight tax, during the present to learn, first hand, what becomes May 5, and turned over to the exof the half million bushels of wheat ecutive committee for consideration that members of the Michigan Ele- with power to act upon it. vator Exchange ship to the Postum | As a stimulus for strengthening Cereal plant at Battle Creek, each the work of the co-ops this summer, year. These 80 managers and direc. Arthur G. Taylor, of Chicago, head

> hat your Honorable Board has made the appointment, I will accept the position and will endeavor to nake myself useful and dependable. "In regard to the flight for a four time the fight for a four time the flight for a four time the flight for a four was devoted to a four of the value."
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> He showed vividly what it means for a co-operative organization, especially one in the selling field to lay down on the job in the face of high presumer competition. He stressed the was devoted to a tour of the plant.

Nash Opened Program Mr. Nash opened the program, imnediately following the transaction of official business, by giving a brief alk on the outlook for organization

"Membership in the Michigan State Farm Bureau," he declared, is a means to an end-it is the machinery with which we combat the problems of this new day in agriculture. With it we can't go backward, nor do we want to. In joining this organization we do so in order that

not do so well alone. "Maintaining membership in this a sweeping victory for live stock so that the membership will function. With this we have two big jobs Conditions on the Buffalo market to face: Securing members and mainare to be improved. W. M. Jardine, taining them. In the work I have secretary of agriculture, has issued taken op as director of the organiza-an order against twelve old line tion department of your organization commission firms to "cease and de- I feel that I have been chosen to

ing double commissions and lengag. A new day must, be here. To get ing in unfair and discriminatory 300 busy farmers to lay aside their practices. It is expected that a sim- tasks for a day, at a time of year ilar order will be issued against oth- when all is rushing on the farm er registered commission firms on and during one of the weeks of unthe Buffalo market. This means the usually fine weather enjoyed this end of these detrimental practices spring, means that the members see which have existed on the Buffalo something worth while in an occa-

Besides having opportunity to dis-The termination of these practices cuss matters of individual concern completely eliminate the weighing the plan of farm automobile mutual insurance explained to them in sim-Beginning May 10, 1927, the Pro- ple terms. On this subject, G. J. ducers Co-operative Commission As. Mecherle, president of the State will discontinue all Farm Mutual Auto Insurance company, of Bloomington, Ill., devoted The "Producers" plan to co-op- about an hour, telling of its working

> This is the insurance made availrector, handling it.

New Finance Plan

Another plan of co-operative financing was explained and placed before the State Farm Bureau at this meeting by Lucius E. Wilson, of the General Organization company, of Chicago, and was presented as a means of assisting the Bureau and local co-ops in their financing prob-

The plan will be explained in sucfiber from which rope is made. Rice, person or concern designated by the

Under this plan sufficient funds get a clean bill of health before en- would be on hand at all times so that even in case the organization failed in business, the subscriber or the person designated in the certificate would receive the full amount of the purchase price of the certificates

This is a plan accepted by several big organizations and it is offered Opportunity was afforded Wed- as the first real solution of the prob-

"It is with some timidity that I tors were guests of the Postum Ce- of the Executive Salesmen's Training Following a short business ses. enthusing talks on the problems of

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STATE FARM BUREAU'S PUBLIC SERVICE PROGRAM

LEGISLATION

Passage of the Capper-French Truth-inand manufacture of fertilizer; opposition to any form of sales tax or of consump-tion tax; retention of federal income tax; Passage of Gooding-Ketcham Seed Stain-ing hill.

ENACTED APR. 26, 1926

TAXATION

Relief for sorely burdened farm property by enactment of: ENACTED JAN. 29, 1925 (a) Two cent gasoline tax for highway funds.

(b State Income Tax in place of State's general property levy. (c) Law forbidding any more tax exempt securities.

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, Washtenaw, 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.

MARKETING

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

EFFECTIVE OCT. 20,

AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE Adequate protection for farmers against loss by fire, theft, collision, property dam-age and public liability furnished at rea-sonable rates.

FAVORS PERMANENT AUTO LICENSES

There can be no question but that the gasoline tax is a more equitable means of raising highway revenues than the weight tax or license system. The truth of this statement is so obvious that we have not wasted any editorial space in discussing this proposition. However, the following letter from Robert L. Sawyer, of Battle Creek, to Representative John W. Goodwine makes some interesting observations. Here is Mr. Sawyer's let-

"May I say a word to you relative to and in fayor of the

permanent plate and tax as an issue of simple justice. "Take our own situation. We drive a car very little, yet the tax upon our car by the weight system is something over \$17.

We are mathematically paying the tax of some one else who pays less weight tax yet uses the road 50 times as much.

Injustice is lawless. The amount in a single instance means nothing and we are able to pay it, but lawlessness in legislation is a direct incentive to lawlessness in citizenship for the atmosphere of injustice spreads like a disease contagion.

"With a permanent plate and a straight gas tax the man who uses the road will pay for the road with no possible injustice to anyone. Another thing is that the straight gas tax and permanent plate encourages conservation of supply which is, of itself an adequate argument. None of these things apply to the weight tax. Again the permanent plate tax could be so arranged as to greatly lessen the expense incurred through so many local tax representa-

THE SPIRIT OF THE DAY

The spirit of progress manifested itself very plainly a week ago when some 300 Farm Burgan representatives turned out to make a special meeting of the state organization a success. The fact that so great a number left their work, at home, on a day when all farmers like to be doing all within their power to get the spring work out of the way was gratifying, to say the least. But the big thing of the meeting was more than the summing up of faces; it was the attitude of those who participated in the affair.

The usual crowd attitude of, "What are you going to do with us next?" was missing entirely. There was more of the progressive spirit; the attitude of those who assemble with a purpose to do something with a vim and without urging.

The meeting was a true expression of "agriculture up-to-date." It was the spirit of 1927 throughout. Forty-one counties of Michigan were recorded among those present. The program went off with a snap. There was no lagging and no holding back between scenes. Late comers stepped into place and "located themselves" without having to be assisted by an army of ushers and guides. Sessions were held on one side of the Michigan State College campus and then on another and the program carried through the day without a hitch.

No wonder other organizations take notice when the Farm Bureau expresses itself on matters of public concern. There is organization all down the line among its membership. There is a spirit that is alive and a soul that is appreciative and they express themselves when the organization moves. That's the real Farm Bureau.

A BATTLE OF CENTS

The gasoline tax has brought forth some questions of serious consequence. Many organizations have expressed their views on the matter of taxation for highway financing. Among them has been the Michigan State Farm Bureau.

This organization has been insistent in its stand against an increase of taxation without some relief for the over-taxed

It has been a struggle to educate those on the other side of the question to judge the issue from the newer viewpoint; the viewpoint of the progressive mind-to study it as a matter of equitableness of taxation rather than from the old, ingrown idea of taxing on a hit or miss basis.

The question of highway finance carries so many intricacies that it strikes home however it is set up. To the Farm Bureau, the only equitable set-up is a program of taxing so that the users of the highways pay more nearly in proportion as they use the

The objection the Bureau raised to the Leland three cent gas tax was not one of fighting the increase of one cent a gallon in tax but was a fight for equalization. The organization realizes the increasing need of funds for road construction and would favor doubling the two cent tax if relief for the farmer were granted in the weight tax levy and the cost of highway maintenance apportioned according to the use of the roads.

There is no waving of white nor erying "enough" by the Farm Bureau at this stage of the game. Politics, seemingly more than any other factor have rung in a victory of votes on the gasoline tax question during this session of the legislature but the Bureau still stands ready to champion the cause for the protection of agriculture when the opportunity affords itself to strike again. The issue isn't dead. Enforcement of the three cent gas tax law, without license tax relief, as enacted will arouse public sentiment in support of the Farm Bureau in Michigan as no other law enforcement has done. It means the farmer must keep thinking and working on the question. It means eventual victory despite the temporary "delay" in tax equalization brought about at this

41 Counties Send

by the cooperatives themselves, in or- in a sales way. der to meet the increasing pressure in the sales field where old line comto maintain supremacy.

can maintain a decided advantage co-op territory in Michigan. His point W. O. Wilt over its competitors by handling only co-operative commodities and by the one essential needed to make A. G. Moekel pushing the sale of them rather than success for the individual co-op. With Mrs. R. E. Decker by "just running a store," and hand-ling them out to a few old customers. ling them out to a few old customers. Without it, it may continue to do Mrs. Geo. H. Loomis New customers for the co-op mean business but the prospects for de-less business for its competitors, he velopment to the prospects for de-w. E. Eckerson less business for its competitors, he explained. Better business princi- plained. ples bring in the new customers, he added.

With the same application of effort to co-operative merchandising that is applied to independent selling, the limits of achievement are unknown, Mr. Taylor declared. Co-operative merchandising has all in its favor that any other type of merchandising has and has the added advantage of class sympathy which other merchandising does not have. It is this one asset alone that "saves" the co-op in many instances, he said, and the use of it, properly guided and augmented by better business methods, is bound to reflect in an im-

proved business status of the co-op. When the other fellow can offer There were more registrations Jesse W. Pickett where competing concerns get a hold ing 307 at the luncheon at noon.

N. Alle

in any sales field they do it by hard Wayne Mills work and he made it just as plain A. P. Mills Delegates to Meet that the co-op can save its own or. L. Sinclair ganization by applying the same Mose Renwick

in the sales field where old line com-panies are doing all in their power ly significant in face of the effort Fred E. Caboon maintain supremacy.

Co-ops Have Advantage

He showed how the local co-op

TSABELLA

Eleanor McCabe
Harry McCabe
others, to regain their former hold in

Mildred Larsen was that intensive salesmanship is it, the co-op is bound to flourish; R. E. Decker velopment usually are slim, he ex- W. H. Warner

The big meeting opened at 10 Mrs. Fred E. Day o'glock in the morning and contin- Fred E. Day ued until late in the afternoon with Emmett J. Noon luncheon in the Union Memorial ban-Mrs. Mary J. Noon guet room at noon. quet room at noon.

At the morning session, a highway Roy D. Cuff finance petition to the legislature was circulated and 275 signatures Mrs. R. L. Olds were secured, At the luncheon meet. Margaret Ann Olds ing cards were laid at each plate and R. L. Olds 269 persons signed these cards, in-R. G. Gibbens dicating representation from 41 counties.

The names listed according to John Lavender counties, are given here as an indica- M. B. McPherson tion of the wide-spread interest in Farm Bureau work in Michigan.

to go out and sell a carlot of his from Ingham county than from any L. D. Kaechele goods for the co-op, it is because a other county, naturally, because R. Roelofs car can be sold in the territory and there were quite a number of State Mrs. Henry Genkes there is every advantage in the world Farm Bureau officials and employes Mrs. R. Roelofs in favor of the co-op selling the com- at the meeting, but the county lead- A. Inwood modity rather than the other fellow ing the list with a purely farmer rep. Chas. Turns if it will but go out after the busi- resentation was Shiawassee, with 17 B. C. Harrington ness, the speaker asserted. In other who signed the cards. The total at-words, he made it very plain that, tendance was close to 325, there be-Ray Warner

(Continued from page one) ganization by applying the same L. E. Osmer need of more salesmanship exerted amount of effort its competitor does C. L. Nash Stressed Salesmanship Alton Gunn

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Earl C. McCarty
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> KENT COUNTY-12 the laborer.

> > farmer, but has made friends throughout the state with business men who realize that our organization is outspoken and will not become a cog in any political machine."

A stunted colt means a small horse since the growth made the first year very largely determines his size at

OPEN FORUM

The NEWS welcomes letters from the membership on questions interesting to the membership. Such letters must be signed and be reasonably short because of our limited space—500 words is a good limit; they should be temperate in language and offer a constructive answer to the question in hand. Communications are invited.

"Pullman, Michigan, May 1, 1927. Michigan State Farm Bureau.

'Dear Friends: Throwing a little light on how members voted, is just what has been needed in Michigan for a long time. Just turn on the light, not only now, but print a few of these records on important bills just before election and I believe the people will do the

Lansing, Michigan.

"Another suggestion: When your men are out soliciting members they should also solicit subscriptions to Farm Bureau News. Lots of men would not part with ten dollars because they think they can't afford it, but would take the paper and in time become a full-fledged member and not only that, but it would broaden the influence of the move-

> Sincerely. Nelson J. Ransom."

False Rumors Spiked In Corn Borer Fight

Rumors to the effect that corn fields and premises in the borer infested area which were cleaned up satisfactorily after May 1, would not be eligible for the extra labor award are vigorously denied by L. H. Worthley, federal administrator of corn borer control work.

Michigan State College authorities have also been advised that approximately \$5,000,000 is available to compensate farmers in the infested regions for their efforts in the clean-

Worthley explains that the date, May 1, was set in order to give the regulatory forces legal authority to clean up abandoned farms and premises in cases where there was good reason to believe that no efforts were being made to comply with the regulations.

Farmers are advised by Worthley to disregard such "wartime" rumors and to apply the finishing touches to their farms which will entitle them to the extra labor fee. Farmers who have not completed their clean-up work because of weather conditions, or other reasons, are advised to finish their work and to ask for inspection. If the work meets the requirements, the extra labor award will be

In some cases, the clean-up around barn yards and feed lots has not been finished. Indications are that a little handpicking and gathering will complete over 85 per cent of the clean-up in the state. The need of a thorough and complete clean-up is emphasized by Worthley.

Alfalfa Leads All On Short Rotation

It is not often that the best things are the cheapest; but according to the figures covering average yields for the last ten years, alfalfa used in a three-year rotation with corn and wheat, is much more profitable than red clover or sweet clover used in the same three-year rota-

Many people in past years, when adapted alfalfa seed was scarce and high, felt whenever they got a stand of alfalfa they should keep it for several years. This often relegated the crop to some field far from the building, or, for some other reason, not in the regular rotation. The alfaira field will give a good account of itself under these conditions, and probably prove the most profitable field on the farm. It has been proven even superior to red clover and sweet clover in short rotation on soil typical of a large portion of Indiana. The average returns per year for each year of the period 1916 to 1925

on a three-year rotation, were as follows: Corn, wheat and clover, \$27.35 average feturn per year; corn, wheat and sweet clover, \$27.81 average return per year and corn, wheat and alfalfa, \$31.94 average return per

Of course, Red Clover and Sweet Clover are biennials, so cannot be expected to do much if left for hay more than one year, but many peo-Picked For Bureau ple have labored under the impression that they would both heat Alcent gas tax and a permanent license falfa in short rotations. In long roplace for cars, I am willing to ac- tations, alfalfa leaves all other leknowledge that the greater credit gumes tied to a post. In the group for all accomplishments are due the of eleven different rotations, includ-Michigan State Farm Bureau which ing those above, in test, the followco-operated with me at all times lag one led all others:

Corn, corn, wheat, alfalfa, alfalfa, and alfalfa. Net returns were \$38.86 "We have been snowed under but per year.

In these tests, in computing finot defeated. Our plan is right and is acknowledged so by ninety per cent nancial results, corn was valued at of the people of Michigan. We should 60 cents per bushel; wheat at \$1.25 continue the fight by educating the per bushel and hay at \$12.00 a ton. But with Red Clover and Alsike

people to exert their power in the campaign of 1928 as the labor seed very high prices and with prosforces did in the past election when pects that the supply will be exthey caused the governor to advo-cate an increased compensation to cheaper one-Alfalfa; and sow it has not only shown its stand for the early just like you would Red Clover, only innoculate.

> CUT COTTON ACREAGE Of the 750,000 acres of Mississippi crop lands under water, it is estimated that 585,000 acres were planted to cotton last year, with a production of 347,000 bales.

One of the best uses of waste land is for growing a farm wood lot.

Well, Pa, Here is Something ISABELLA WOMEN For You and Ma to Read

Health Of The Child; Home Life And Social Environment of Isabella county held its first tion Association have just been an-Are Subjects Well Worthy Of Your Consideration

BY MRS. EDITH M. WAGAR Last week was Child Health week nd many clinics were held all over he nation. Many defects were dis. overed and advice and warnings offered. These clinics do untold good, they bring to the parents' attention the need of medical aid; they discover diseased tonsils and defective eyesight; they find many minor de. fects that no doubt would never be known until too late. I know of one child who could not keep up with her grade and her mother, desiring to know the real cause, took her to clinic held in the county and was very much astonished to learn that the girl's eyesight was very much impaired, in fact, one eye was almost ightless. Needless to say the mothwas very grateful for the informaion and put the child in the hands of the best eye specialist she could

boy, who was just entering his teens. LEGISLATURE NOW Another rural mother took her county seat. The boy was somewhat under weight and the parents were measy as to the outcome. Imagine heir surprise when they were told diet and plenty of sleep and he would be all right, that he was not as yet ubercular, and by care and caution perhaps never would be. But the mother herself was fast passing the ating; she lived in the air and sun- is set for Saturday, May 14th. shine and in no time she began to

o have such periods as Child Health es of the Legislature. week and we should all co-operate and raising salaries has been one proposed about the funniest with any agency of that nature that prophesied by Sen. Peter B. Lennon amendment of them all. It reads as our boys and girls may be "100 per of Genesee county. enters" if possible.

from the thoughtful child; how circuit judges. appy they make us and how grate-

like nature. Senator Ferris says that ficials now receive an annual salary in his boyhood it did not take a ban. of \$5,000 each. just to bring a father or mother in realize we are living in a different atmosphere than the people did not o many years ago.

The young folks are not within the ome as they once were there are nany places to go, many outside de- \$3,500. nands on their time and many ways of going that the young folks of quarter century ago did not face.

ome bodies they once were. They nave demands made on their time hat if considered at all, take them away from home and family in way that would have caused alarm to our ancestors. So, perhaps it is necessary to have the special days that we may mingle together and renew our faith in each other and strength. en our confidnce.

ruly believe there is still a greater to the House. ond of sympathy and understanding etween the majority of mothers and oncerning them. They make a pal of their mothers these days, far more ment embodying the features of the all times have the right without warhan they did when mother was a Brake-bill. eserved woman, seemingly many

pproached in an intimate way. y live with a family, as at the pres- recess, both the Senate and House tive halls was contained in another ent time. Old and young can and were forced to hold a Saturday ses. amendment which would have made do associate with each mother more sion in order to complete the week's the bill apply to all appointive or and while there are many modern work. emptations thrown around the youth | By a vote of 23 to 4 the Senate apof today that we knew nothing of proved the Karcher bill, requiring a offset all the evil influences by pro- license for trout fishing. iding the wholesome recreation and sharing our time and companionship school laws, a bill of several hun-the committee on Pontiac State Asywith those we are most interested in. dred pages, introduced by Sen. Nor. lum and other ludicrous committees We must aim to make the mothers of man B. Horton of Fruit Ridge, has and finally postponed further contomorrow as efficient and whole- been approved by the Senate. some, as dependable and as responsible and possessed with a better un- Coleman's bill, making minor chang- Meanwhile, visiting school children derstanding of the job of wifehood es in the State standards for grapes. | in the House galleries have been inand motherhood than was possible for their mothers. Nothing short of of a record recently when on one new appreciation of the dignified and

lect of parental obligation.

STEWED

A certain motorist was told by the traffic cop to pull his car over to the curb.

"And," continued the cop, "I al-so believe I'll hand you another ticket for passing that red light back there.

"I also think," the policeman continued, sarcastically, "that I will slip you a ticket for obstruct-ing traffic."

By this time the driver was frightened speechless. But not so the Mrs. in the rear seat; she spoke up: "Sha, sha, Mister Pollseman, don't pay no attention to heem. Heez dronk."

CLOSING SESSION

hat the boy only needed a careful Sets Record For Causing Still Heavier Taxes, High Salaries

first stages of the dread disease. The the session, the Legislature is workworry over the boy was at once transing night and day in an effort to ferred to the mother. Help was found to relieve her of the hard work, and she was made to rest all the selection of the hundreds of bills still on the calendars of the Senate and the that she possibly could. She slept any the calendars of the Senate and the time sleep could be induced to come House and pending before the vario her; she was careful about her ous committees. Final adjournment

The Senators and Representatives pick up," and new is as well as the have disagree over scores of bills rdinary person, simply because she especially appropriation measures, cnows what she should do, and then and these differences are gradually being ironed out by conference com-It is too bad that it is necessary mittees representing the two branch-

dren, but it is a real blessing to our history as noted for its activities measures by these methods." children that there is just such a along the lines of increasing taxes

Good health is the greatest leg- when the Legislature gets through counsel or agent shall herald his or when the Legislature gets curough to them and is the making appropriations the general her approach by loudly blowing a greatest factor to success and happiness that they may possess.

Then just one week following comes Mothers Day, a day dedicated comes Mother's love and the previous two years. The Lefand three feet. It shall be unlawful at all times cent gas tax bill boosts the highway for any legislative counsel or agent revenues \$6,000,000 more. Salaries to approach any member of either sacrifice. How we mothers rejoice for all sorts of officials are being inwhen we receive the special gift of creased. A bill has been passed add. tie, horn or siren, either in the Capook or plant or personal token ing \$2,500 per year to the pay of all itol Building or on the public high

and scrimped and pinched that they might have. Yet how lonely and discounting the commissioner, Director of Conservaappointed that mother must feel who Commissioner, Director of Conservation and Dieglected. It commission was once defeated by illac offered the following contributakes but little to please a mother, a letter from the absent one brings comfort and peace, a remembrance of most any kind to those within reach will offset any debt of labor or decommissioner and \$7.500 as the limit to please a mother, the House 47 to 16, but a few days later was reconsidered and passed 89 to 3. The bill fixes \$10,000 as the maximum salary of the Health Commissioner and \$7.500 as the limit to please the following contribution: "It shall be unlawful for any legislative counties or agent to appear before any committee wearing any hirsuit disguise, to wit: Wigs, will offset any debt of labor or de-will offset any debt of labor or de-commissioner and \$7,500 as the lim-toupees, false mustaches, false beards it for the Director of Conservation or sideburns." These are the days of Mother and and Chairman of the Securities Daughter banquets and gatherings of Commission. All three of these of-

The House has passed the Camtouch with the son or daughter. We eron bill raising the salary of the Clerk of the Supreme Court to \$6,-000 a year and the Jahnke bill raising the pay of the Boxing Commissioner from \$3,500 to \$5,000 and the salary of his deputy from \$2,200 to

As a means of offering real relief from the heavy tax burden now borne by general property in Michi-And again, parents are not the gan, Sen. Peter B. Lennon of Genesee County has proposed a petition asking the United States Congress to pass a Federal law to return 20 per cent of the income and inheritance levies to the states.

Sen. Lennon declares that one-fifth of the internal revenue paid by Michigan would amount to \$40,000,000 annually. This would be still further increased by our share of the With all the adverse criticism we Federal inheritance taxes paid by ear about the modern daughter and Michigan citizens. The Senate adopt. her attitude toward the mother, I ed the Lennon resolution and sent it

That some legislation to require hunters to obtain the permission of daughters than was the case "when the owners before trespassing on any was a girl." Girls talk with greater enclosed farm property or farm wood reedom; they express themselves; lot was seen as a possibility when ture, Rep. Robert Wardell of Detroit hey announce their views and their the House Committee on Conservaplans so that there is no guess work tion reported out Senator Horton's bill on this subject with an amend-

Despite the eleventh hour rush in ears their senior, who could not be which they were engaged, the Senators and Representatives left their Many feel that this is a trying pe- work at Lansing a week ago Tuesod in which to raise a family, but day and went to Benton Harbor to feel that there never was hereto- participate in the Blossom Week celeore so great an opportunity to real. bration. Possibly as a result of this are frequently seen around legisla-

in our day, yet we can if we will, special one dollar resident angler's in making the bills as ridiculous as

The new codification of Michigan

The Senate has also passed Rep. ly

approval to 57 different bills.

achievement day in Home Manage- nounced as May 25 and 26. The group leaders to note changes made Shelby Hotel, Detroit. in kitchen arrangement and equipall parts of the county.

After the dinner a program was the business session which will be enjoyed with Mrs. Louise Campbell, held the first evening. state home demonstration leader, of The discussions on livestock loss Help Michigan State College, and Miss prevention are not the only reasons Edna V. Smith, home management why groups of livestock men in all specialist, as principal speakers.

School Band of Mt. Pleasant.

gan State College.

work of its nature in Isabella county see what happens to their product the women were much elated over after it leaves the farm. the success of their undertaking and much interest was shown for future vention Association is unique in that development.

Sparks From The

other seats.

of the House, ran true to form when T. Horner, representing the Michigan he proposed the following amend- State Department of Agriculture: "No legislative counsel or agent shall entertain any member of the Legislature by the giving of meals or drinks, unless they have applied to the chairman of the Liquor Traffic Committee of the House, and president of the association, one the Prohibition Committee of the week in order that we may give some That the present session of the the purpose of influencing the pas-concern to the health of our chil- Legislature is going to go down in sage or defeat of any measure or Senate for a permit, duly issued, for

follows: "On entering either House There is every indication that upon invitation every legislative way, and after sunset all legislative ful we are if we did make sacrifices State Administrative Board to in-

To make the whole proposal as absurd as possible, Rep. Walter B, Brady of Detroit came to bat with the suggestion of a new section to read as follows: "Any person who has been duly registered under section 4 of this act may compel the calling of a meeting of any committee of either House, by giving a written request therefor to the Secretary of the Senate or Clerk of the House of Repre sentatives, as the case may be, which request when made shall be read and spread upon the journal of said body. In the event that any member of leet or refuse to attend any such meeting, his attendance may be compelled by a subpoena to be issued by the Legislative counsel or agent requesting such meeting. Any expenditures necessitated in carrying out the provisions of this act shall be paid from the funds of the Secretary of the Senate or the Clerk of the House of Representatives, as the case may

Again inferring that some lobbyist might, use liquor as a means of influencing members of the Legislaoffered the following: "The Governor any elective State Officer or any member of the Legislature shall at rant and with or without any smell evidence, to seize, search and confiscate the baggage of any legislative counsel or agent, without any redress on the part of legislative coun-

sel or agent. A sly thrust at State Officials who elective State officials and other

State employees. Having exhausted their Ingenuity possible, the Representatives voted down motions to refer the matter to sideration of the measure indefinite.

The House established somewhat spired, edified and thrilled with their this work will excuse us from neg. day it gave final consideration and solemn proceedings of their State

LIVESTOCK LOSS ASSN. PLANS ANNUAL MEETING TO BE HELD AT DETROIT - Seed and feed requirements for

Dates for the annual meeting of The Home Economics Organization the Michigan Livestock Loss Prevenment with a tour of homes of several meeting is to be held at the Fort is to be planted at all.

Several prominent speakers, inment. The tour covered six town- cluding Dr. W. J. Embree of Chicago. ships and ended at the home of Mrs. and Mr. H. R. Davidson of the In-Arthur Fleming, of Sherman town- stitute of American Meat Packers, are ship, with about 30 cars in the cara-scheduled to appear on the banquet van. A bouniful potluck dinner was program. Michigan men prominent served there to more than 100 wo- in the livestock business, L. Whitmen leaders of various groups from ney Watkins and Prof. G. A. Brown, will also appear on the program of

southern Michigan counties are pre-A special musical treat was fur- paring to be in Detroit on May 25 nished by the entire U. S. Indian and 26. In co-operation with the Michigan State College, this associa-Isabella County having no home tion has arranged a tour of inspec demonstration agent, this work has tion through Detroit which will inbeen made possible through the ef-clude the stockyards, a packing forts of Mrs. W. J. Hazelwood, coun- house, the 12th Street Produce ty chairman, women's department of Yards, the Eastern Market, the Dethe Farm Bureau, co-operating with troit Creamery, the Detroit News, the extension Department of Michi- and several other points of interest Thus, they will acquire an insight This being the first year of any into the marketing operations-to

The Michigan Livestock Loss Preit is made up of representatives from at least nine diverse interests, but still all interested in the livestock business. On the board of directors Legislative Anvil is P. M. Granger, producer at Char-(Continued from page one) lotte; C. L. Brody, representing the members" that they didn't need any Farm Bureau; L. Whitney Watkins, representing the packers; W. H. Hill, representing the stockyards compa-Rep. Robert Wardell, wet leader nies; Professor G. A. Brown and J. Burt Wermuth and D. L. Runnells representing the Farm Press, and E. J. Leenhouts, representing the railroads. According to J. H. O'Mealey, purpose of these various groups is to reduce the waste which occurs annually through the loss of livestock

in transit. This loss amounted to

over \$150,000 for Michigan produc ers in 1926, he claims.

probably one million acres in the Mississippi Valley area, exclusive of Louisiana, will have to be financed this year by the Red Cross, or by some other relief agency, if this land April 23-29; seven and a half per

THE FARMER QUITS

year, the biggest decrease in any livestock markets, except Evansville year since 1920.

Cooperatives

The co-ops are doing every-thing to help reduce the losses on livestock shipments by encouraging the use of extra care in handling, especially at this season of the year when fatted hogs can not stand any great exertion during the brief hot

Help the co-ops reduce ship-ping losses. Ship your livestock co-operatively and build a farmers' market in your community. Dividends returned on all shipments add to your net profits at the end of the

Be a community booster and reap the added benefits through shipping your livestock

Michigan Livestock Exchange Detroit, Mich.

Producers Co-Op Com. Ass'n East Buffalo, N. Y.

A Chance to Win against the corn borer

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Most farms produce carbohydrates in excess and not sufficient protein.

Ask your local co-op for prices on Farm Bureau brand alfalfa seed-Utah Common; Grimm; Ontario Variegated.

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committee called under the provisions of this section, shall fall, neglect or refuse to attend any such

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Since we began writing policies last November our applications are numbering into the thousands. That indicates volume business; a business built on FIVE years of successful operation in other states.

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A local agent to serve you.

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State Farm Mutual Auto Insurance Co.

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PRODUCERS HANDLED 25 PER CENT OF ALL LIVESTOCK MARKETED

Producers' commission associaions handled better than 25 per cent of the live stock received on the Buffalo markets during the week of cent of that handled on the Chicago markets and 43 per cent of all handled on the Detroit markets. They The farm population of the United were first in per cent of business States decreased 649,000 persons last done on each of the eight leading buying stock during that period. At Evansville they handled 43 per cent, which was second place.

> "I wrote to the paper to find out now long cows should be milked." "And they said?"

'Just like short cows."-Goblin,

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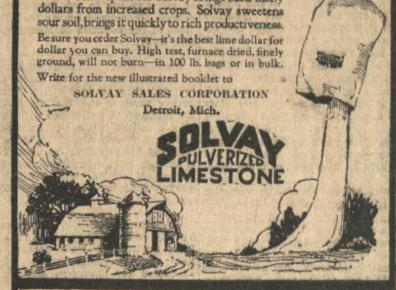
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No charge for auditing

Mich. Farm Bureau Traffic Dept.

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These dairymen tell us that they have secured the following results by the use of Mükmaker,

Cows have kept up in better flesh and better physical condition.

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Muscle Shoals power to other purposes than those which Congress intended, that concentrated fertilizers can

called "non-power-using process" this work. has been known since 1914 but that it is used for the production of fer-

under a contract whereby profits are acres. Ifmited to 8 per cent of the cost of production, with a board of farmer power to assure good faith in this nual County Achievement would have to compete with these the ward school at Cassopolis, lower costs and the farmer would get the benefit of this competition required by the new process.

fertilizers than the building of some noon. additional by-product coke ovens. There would be no obligation to market the fertilizers in concentrated form and unless they are produced Oakfield township. Four varieties of Extension Department of Michigan in this form the economies would be barley were brought from Michigan State College and has included soon absorbed by the freight charges. State College and two Kent County Home Furnishing project under the question until it is answered by Nitrogen Not Only Need

hitrogen (ammonia) is but one of the plant foods which is required for Kent County farmers will do well to rection of Agnes Sorenson, County the production of such concentrated watch this test and to get better Home Demonstration Agent. the production of such concentrated acquainted with barley for here is work of both projects will be exhibwhich would be produced at Muscle Cheap power is required for the economic production of another plant food ingredient, namely the concenfood ingredient, namely the concentrated phosphoric acid which is nec-will produce during 1927 \$30,160. Farm Bureau's position very plain to essary to produce the highest grades 899, those who spoke in favor of the the lawmakers. of ammonium phosphate. Phosphor- gas tax boost declared that addition- On Wednesday of last week more their exhaustion we must turn to im- Legislature which warranted the Just before the forenoon session of production of sulphuric acid, and we on Michigan motorists. may anticipate an increase rather than a decrease in its cost. The higher the price of sulphuric acid the 3 cent gas tax, Rep. Laurin J. gas tax without accompanying weight the more important it is that our Budge of Beaverton, probably voiced tax relief and reviewing in a comcheaper water powers shall be utiliz- the opinion of many of his colleagues prehensive way our position regardof phosphoric acid.

Tehnessee Valley and so much in demand for other purposes that the giving the cities \$2,000 mr. Dykstra, hour, It was as follows: supply would not go around, the armaintenance." guments for the theoretical non-power-using processes might have some the bill when it came up for final the Legislature modifies our present contrast to the farmer of other lands weight, but there is, and for at least passage. Rep. Dennis G. Clancy of tax should be increased and the troiled markets and the pawn of midtinue to be, a supply of water power this bill because in the first place at weight tax be decreased or discondiemen. in that region far beyond the pros- the previous session we asked for an tinued entirely and permanent lipective needs of public utilities. accounting of the Highway Depart- cense plates be issued to be valid for not pocket the bulk of the con-What is done with it fifty years from ment, and this session we are asked the life of the car.' Our position on sumer's money. The farmers get it now may be another matter, but dur- to vote for an increase in the gas this important question has also been ing that fifty year lease the use of tax without any reason why this is in favor of an increased distribution free minds will win, and preserve all this power primarily for the productinecessary. I voted 'on' further for the of gas and weight tax revenues to the varied kinds of freedom-politition of concentrated fertilizers will reason that most of the men of this the counties. portunity to purchase his plant foods of decreased taxation. We have seen brought to the attention of the mem- "It was this unshackling of the at price levels materially below those nothing of it this session .. I voted bers of the Legislature. However, of today. The desirability of such 'no' further for the reason that it the Senate has passed the Leland bill possible for the farmers of Denmark an arrangement from the standpoint is evident that we are providing for providing for a 3 cent gasoline tax to transform themselves in sixty real or fancied prospects for the pro- in Michigan. This increase will be an the weight tax. While the House has a nation of scientific farmers and cophoric acid without the use of elec- the state and they have more now ly defeating this proposal to boost output.

Tertilizers upon the industrial wel- voted 'no' on this bill because I well tax bill. fare of the Tennessee Valley and the fare of the Tennessee Valley and the South in general, it means a hastening and not a delay in the development and utilization of its vast power resources, while the benefits of such a policy sooner or later would be felt wherever in the United States fertilizers are a financial burden to the farmer. The project is truly a nature of the Highway Department and amount of the states of the Michigan State Farma Bureau assembled in a special meeting at East Lansing, Wednesday, May 4, with official voting delegates present property tax. I have carefully investigated the condition of the affairs of the Highway Department and amount of the Highway Department and amount of the Highway Department and amount of the Highway Department and the convinced that the finances and the project is truly a nature of the Highway Department and the project is truly a nature of the Highway Department and the project is truly a nature of the Highway Department and the project is truly a nature of the Highway Department and the project is truly a nature of the Highway Department and the project is truly a nature of the Highway Department and the project is truly a nature of the Highway Department and the project is truly a nature of the Highway Department and the project is truly a nature of the Highway Department and the project is truly a nature of the Highway Department and the project is truly a nature of the Highway Department and the project is truly a nature of the Highway Department and the project is truly a nature of the Highway Department and the project is truly a nature of the Highway Department and the project is truly a nature of the Highway Department and the project is truly a nature of the Highway Department and the project is truly a nature of the Highway Department and the project is truly a nature of the Highway Department and the project is truly a nature of the Highway Department and the project is truly and the proj farmer. The project is truly a na- present program with relation to by protest against disregarding the tional one and those who would building of new roads, providing for desires of the farm people regarding limit it to a local question of power the payment of back rewards, the this important legislation. distribution have much to lose and retiring of bonded indebtedness and nothing at all to gain by doing so. for general highway work are prop- no increase be made in the tax on

The Changing Age

like a sense of pain was the silence, was passed, Farm Bureau members \$6,000,000 annually. If no legisla-

ing 'no'.

Bureau Active in Fight

With the County Agents

Wayne High school gymnasium corn substitute, should the corn bor was the scene of varied activities, er prove the menace in Kent Coun-April 30, when about 400 boys and ty that it has in other counties. Concentrated Fertilizer Can't girls, parents, teachers and friends

Games, led by Mrs. Lois B. Sharpe, been planted in Van Buren County opened the forenoon program. The through the Extension service this music memory contest, conducted by year. Everybody planning to set ing of the session at which the Rep-Miss Lois Corbett, gave the boys and trees next spring should make their resentatives reversed themselves on there and, with the assistance of lomiss Lois Corbett, gave the boys and girls a chance to recognize tunes and instruments which they had heard estry department. Michigan State estry department, Michigan State was placed on the desk of each Rep. was placed on the desk of each Rep. College. The trees do not have to resentative. The following is the nequota accepted by Monroe county as strain. Chicks, ergs, cockerels. Catalog FOREIGN FACTS RELATED girls a chance to recognize tunes and reservations at this time to the For- the gas tax, a copy of this petition cal members, has signed 122 new during the preceding months. The afternoon program was open- be paid for until next spring, but if tition:

ed by the chairman, Morris Huber- people would make their reservaman, of Detroit. After a word of tions now, the department would welcome by Superintendent D. S. know how far to extend their nur-Yape of the Wayne high school and series this year. This would help to It has been claimed, particularly response by Morris Huberman, the avoid cancellation of orders. by those desirous of diverting the various clubs responded to roll call by giving yells, songs, violin and piano solos, recitations and stunts. est cows this month and also high herd, having a five-cow herd milked

The clothing and handicraft club four times a day, producing an averhe made without the use of cheap work in Menominee County rural age of 1,777.5 lbs. milk containing water power, and they point to the schools has become a real feature of 63.9 lbs. butterfat. fact that Germany is producing these the child's school life. In a small way concentrated materials at prices be- it provides for the rural boy and township has had a couple of woodlow the cost of Chilean nitrate with girl the vocational work the city boy lots under the woodlot tax reducpower obtained from coal and lignite. or girl receives in the Junior High tion act. The first one started in The argument sounds plausible School. Menominee county leads the 1911. In an inquiry to Mr. Simmonds until it is remembered that this so- most of the counties of Michigan in a year or two ago, he stated that the

Sixteen dozen bottles of alfalfa in- the first man in the state to take adtilizers in only two countries in the oculating bacteria have been dis- vantage of the timber tax reduction world, i. e., Germany and England, tributed through this office. Thirty act. His first woodlot consisted of and in each of these countries those bottles went to the Wallace Potato twenty acres of white pine, and he who are employing the process for Exchange to be distributed with their stated that he would have been comthe purpose have received large sub- alfalfa orders, while the remainder pelled to sell at a great sacrifice if it sidies from their governments, and has gone in lots of one to three or had not been for this act. The prescheap water power is not to be had four bottles direct to farmers. This ent woodlot came under the act in in quantity in either of these coun- is enough inoculation for almost 200 1922 and consists of twenty acres of bushels of alfalfa seed, which is hardwood timber. The valuation of With Muscle Shoals in operation enough seed for very nearly 1000 the woodlot on the farm in 1921 was

Great preparations are being made the farm valuation was placed to representatives having sufficient Cass County for their second and this same condition continued by the 4-H club boys and girls of \$5,100. A reduction of \$500; and Day through 1924. The twenty acre Hmitation of profit, any new process scheduled for Saturday, May 7, a woodlot was assessed separately at a valuation of \$20. He paid the following in actual taxes: In 1922 on 20

Pursuant to a call by President gardless of the amount of power re- Geo. Frank, the directors of the Cass 1924, 47 cents. Mr. Simmonds was County Guernsey Breeders' Associa- the only landowner in section three Without the competition of Muscle tion, at a session at the county who has received any reduction in Shoals, any nitrogen fertilizer pro- agent's office decided to hold a tour valuation from 1921 to 1924. duced by new processes would be during the last week of May or the sold as high as the price of Chilean first week of June. Visits to the nitrate and ammonium sulphate more prominent Guernsey herds of ics Extension classes of Kent Counwould permit, and it would have no Berrien county will be included in ty will hold their third Annual more effect on the general cost of the itinerary, with a picnic dinner at Achievement Day at the First Methodist Episcopal Church in Grand Rapids on May 27th. The work done

A barley varety test was planted by these groups has been under the on the farm of M. H. Lawrence in supervision of the Home Economics varieties planted. The new barley, direction of Mrs. H. F. Hoffman. It should also be remembered that known as the Spartan, was planted, state specialist in Home Furnishing output, This barley promises to be very good, and a Clothing project under the di-

Members Explain Votes

their organization left no stone unturned to inform the rural people sound. Is Finally Passed of Michigan as to what this bill provided, and furthermore made the

Ralph Sherman has the two high-

Elgy Simmonds of Pine Grove

act was working out very satisfac-

torily in his case. Mr. Simmonds was

placed at \$5,600 and if the woodlot

was accepted under act 86 of 1917

53 cents; 1923, 53 cents;

The women of the Home Econom-

ic acid of lesser concentration can be al revenue would be necessary if any than 300 farm people attended the produced, it is true, by the use of progressive program of highway con- Farm Bureau rally held at East Lansulphuric acid, but it is also known struction were to be carried out. Op- sing in connection with the special that our reserves of native sulphur ponents of the bill maintained that meeting of the board of delegates of are comparatively small and with no facts had been laid before the the Michigan State Farm Bureau. ported pyrites from Spain for the imposition of the added burden up this meeting adjourned, the delegates and others in attendance unanimously adopted a strong reso-In explaining why he voted against lution opposing any increase in the ed at their source for the production when he said, "I voted 'no' because ing highway finance. This resolution I am opposed to any increase in the gas tax without a reduction in the was immediately mimeographed and a copy placed on the desk of each

has consistently maintained the logi-

continue to offer to the farmer an op- House are elected on the platform "This position has been repeatedly tion needs. duction of either ammonia or phos- additional burden to the farmers of already expressed itself by decisive operative merchandisers of their own than most of them are able to carry." the burden upon the motorists, it is "The farmers must follow the Rep. Robert Wardell, of Detroit, reported that a movement is on road that the farmers of Den-

"We again insistently urge that erly provided for. On the other hand, gasoline which is not compensated I view this bill and this incease to by a corresponding reduction in the Wife: "Why don't you help me a three-cent per gallon tax as a licenses on motor vehicles. As far as out of the auto? You're not so gal- measure which is merely going to we are aware, no official figures lant as you were when I was a gal." provide additional jobs and addition- have been made public which reveal Hubby: "Well, dear, you're not so al contracts to friends of the admin- any condition in the State Highway buoyant as you were when I was a istration. That is my reason for vot- funds which would warrant enactment of such a measure as the Leland 3 cent gas tax bill which would And when the echoes had ceased. Although the 3 cent gas tax bill increase highway revenues at least -Longfellow. have the satisfaction of knowing that tion providing for permanent licenses

for passenger cars or a material reduction in the weight tax rates on MONROE IS FIRST passenger cars and light trucks is to be enacted, we respectfully urge that no change be made in our present gas and weight tax laws.

Members Sign Petition subject were circulated at the Farm headquarters, is the first county in Bureau luncheon at the College. Two the state to reach the 1927 member-A total of 79,500 seedlings have hundred and seventy-five of the farm ship quota as adopted by the several people in attendance signed these counties at a meeting early this petitions. Just previous to the open- spring. Gilbert Scott, State Farm Bu-

> We, the undersigned rural citizens, attending a special meeting called by the Michigan State Farm Bureau at East Lansing, Wednesday, May 4, respectfully and earnestly urge upon the Senators and Representatives that no legislation be enacted to increase the gas tax rate which is not accomplished by a companion measure to reduce the licenses on passenger cars and light trucks, or possibly provide permanent plates for

passenger cars. "We would call attention to the platform of the Republican Party in the election last Fall on which the present legislative and executive branches of the State Government came into office. This platform, it will be remembered, provided that there would be no new tax which would not definitely decrease a tax now in effect and especially tend toward relief in the general property tax.

'The Leland bill, proposing to exact an additional \$6.000,000 annually for highway purposes in Michigan, does not harmonize with this platform,

"We repeat our request-that no increase be made in the gasoline tax unless an accompanying decrease in the weight tax is provided.

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"Production and distribution are not two problems, but one problem. "The present agricultural discontent with the demand for greater attention to the problems of distribution that it makes is essentially

"The college of agriculture that does not, in the years immediately ahead, display with sincerity and scientific devotion and unflagging concern with the difficult economic istoday face the farmer, will find hard sledding-and should find

"The economist's work is far from completed. It will not be completed, in my judgment, until the farmers throughout the United States, through intelligent co-operative organization, have met and matched the grand scale organization of business and industry with a grand scale organization of agriculture

"The farmers dare not dally longer with the problem of the distribution of their agricultural output.

"The problem of permanent farm prosperity must be solved from the bottom up, not from the top down.

"The Michigan State Farm Bureau nearly the complete master of his own cultural, political and economic In explaining why he voted against cal and equitable position that 'If destiny that he stands in striking

> "In Denmark the middleman does cal, social and economic-that a na-

mind of rural Denmark that made it of agriculture is not lessened by any an increased gas tax and weight tax and no reduction or adjustment in years from a nation of peasants, into

As to the effect of utilizing the Muscle Shoals power primarily for made the following statement: "I foot to revive this Leland 3 cent gas mark have followed if they want to reach the goal that the Danes have

TO ENROLL QUOTA

Monroe county, according to rec-Meanwhile, petitions on the same ords on file at State Farm Bureau College. The trees do not have to resentative, The following is the pe-quota accepted by Monroe county as its share of the 1927 memberships to be signed.

Monroe county has part of its ization program in the near future

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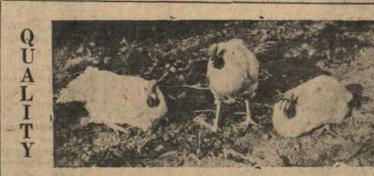
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