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HIRAM and MARTHA

Furlough Wedding

We went to a wedding last evening,
 The neighbors and Martha and I,
 Grace Hicks was united in marriage
 With Engelhart's second boy Guy.

The Gracie we've known from a baby
 Way back since her colicky days,
 And Guy who has helped us in harvest
 And numerous neighborly ways.

Well, Guy had a fourteen day furlough,
 Two weeks are so pitifully small,
 And then a long voyage in prospect
 Without any Gracie at all.

And so they were quietly married
 At home with no rumpus or crowd,
 But she was so modest and lovely!
 And he was so manly and proud!

Of course it's a risk they are taking,
 Guy may not come back with the rest;
 But most folks are wed at a hazard—
 And mostly it's all for the best.

It isn't the size of a wedding,
 Or the class of the people who come,
 Or the flowers or the clothes or the music
 That make for success in the home,

But the love in young hearts, if it's honest;
 If it's deep and abiding and true,
 And the will to give up to each other
 That will help them to carry life through.

True Charity, some people call it,
 While others interpret it Love
 But it's all the same thing the Apostle
 First wrote the Corinthians of.

And Grace and Guy Engelhart have it,
 As warm and as pure as the sun,
 They'll have a real home and a family
 When this year thing is over and done.

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

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 for their land purchases. The average mortgage is more than two-thirds the purchase price and in some sales equals the entire sale price.
 Strangely enough, Professor Wright reports, many of these buyers signing high mortgages are farmers. He hopes they remember and manage to avoid some of the struggles and foreclosures that followed World War I.
 Farmers who bought land in 1919 could pay a \$100 debt with three hogs, but in 1932 it took more than 13 hogs to pay the same debt. Four tons of alfalfa they would have paid the debt in 1919, but as late as 1941 it would have taken 11 tons to pay off \$100.
 Sellers of farms are averaging 60 years of age. Buyers are averaging 45 years, Wright reports. Reasons for selling range from settling estates, retiring, changing occupation, buying other land and reducing size of farm.

Farm Bureau Would Amend Price Control Act

President Edward O'Neal of the American Farm Bureau has presented recommendations for improvement of the Price Control Act to the House banking and currency committee of Congress.
 From the beginning of this emergency, said President O'Neal, the Farm Bureau has advocated effective controls over industrial prices, farm prices, and all wages. He urged that from the standpoint of agriculture the OPA act be amended to get rid of practices objectionable to farmers and which interfere with production. President O'Neal proposed that Congress should:

1. Amend the OPA act to require that administrators obey the intent of the law by adjusting farm prices to meet changing conditions in operating costs. Farm prices must be adjusted to encourage production.
2. Amend the act to require that OPA review price ceilings for farm commodities whenever floods, freezes, drought, etc., change the outlook for a farm crop. Producers' incomes can be cut in half if price ceilings are maintained rigidly in disregard of such developments.
3. Amend the OPA act to give citizens the right to prompt and reasonably convenient court action in disputes regarding OPA rulings. As the act is worded now, said President O'Neal, it is difficult and sometimes practically impossible for a citizen to get into court in case of difficulty with the OPA.
4. Amend the OPA act to require the gradual elimination of food subsidies for consumers. Ceiling prices should be raised to compensate for the amount of subsidy withdrawn. President O'Neal said that abundant production is the best assurance consumers can have for plenty of food at fair prices.

Congress is now considering legislation to extend the life of the price control act after June 30, 1944.

A Million Members for the Farm Bureau

The American Farm Bureau Federation believes that it is possible to have 1,000,000 farm families as members in the near future. Each State Farm Bureau has been assigned a goal in such a campaign. Michigan's goal is 32,464 members. March 31 we had 27,934 at the close of the 1944 membership roll call. Since that time many new members have been enrolled by County Farm Bureaus. It is quite possible that Michigan may reach her quota this year. Last year we added 3,449 members between March 31 and December 1. Perhaps we can add 4,430 more before December and the AFBF annual meeting are upon us.
 Plans are being made to give recognition at the 1944 convention of the American Farm Bureau and at succeeding conventions to the State and County Farm Bureaus as they reach their goals in the drive for one million members.
 At the close of 1943, the national membership total was 687,499. We have 316,592 to get, or an increase of 26.1%. This is a big job. However, the largest membership gains in 20 years are being made in many states. Gains of 5,000 to 10,000 members have been recorded in 1944 by middle western State Farm Bureaus.

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Behind the Wheel

With J. F. Yaeger, Director of State Field Services

Words vs. Actions

Every once in a while we read an article in a labor paper which stresses the need for union labor and farmers working together. It points out that they have much in common; that they need to be joining hands against the big, bad capitalistic group.

Actions speak louder than words, however. In the light of recent activities by some segments of organized labor, this writer is just not sure whether organized labor always means what it says. For example, in Chicago, the "Big, bad capitalists" have set up a "National Tax Equality Association." It is our understanding that this group of exponents of "the right - of - free - enterprise" is organized to attack co-operatives, to stop their federal income tax exemption and, generally to destroy the opportunity of those folks doing things for themselves, thereby depriving them of the opportunity to improve their economic status on a co-operative basis.

On the other hand in Sanilac county the long simmering fight between the farmers' milk hauling co-operatives and the United Dairy Workers (UDW) broke into the open on May 8 when the union refused to handle the milk of four Marlette farmers who have started to ship with the co-ops. Here farmers have joined in a co-operative milk hauling project and have been able to save themselves 2c per hundredweight as compared to the charges made by the union haulers. Over a period of years, the hauling rates have dropped down over a third. About 35% of the milk now hauled to the pick-up stations at Marlette is carried by four co-operative trucks.

Switches To Co-op Route Center

The recent trouble started when one of the co-ops purchased a second truck and one farmer, whose milk was formerly hauled by a union trucker switched to the co-operative route. The new truck wasn't hauling a full load. The one farmer and three others felt that they could save not only money but hauling time by joining the co-op which went directly by their door. The old haulers had released

the farmers, but union officials refused to recognize the releases. The haulers at the receiving station were instructed not to handle the milk.
 As one farmer said, "We can haul our milk cheaper doing it co-operatively and I see no reason why the farmer should not have the right to serve himself in a co-operative fashion and save some money if he can."
 Another farmer said, "We are in a tough position. Organized labor in Detroit says how much they will pay for milk which they consume. Labor in the plants say how much they will charge for handling it. The distributor says he will pay what he can for the milk. After it is all said and done, the farmer gets what is left. Now labor says we can't haul our own milk. They are attempting to rob us of our last chance to save some money."
 It doesn't seem to the writer as though there is much difference in the attack upon co-operatives by the National Tax Equality Association and by the union. Each is attempting to make it as difficult as possible for co-operatives to succeed. It looks to us so at least one segment of organized labor has crawled over on the same side of the fence in their attack upon farmers, as the National Tax Equality Association. Whether they have agreed between themselves or not, the net result, as far as the farmer co-operatives are concerned, is the same.
 In the light of this, it looks as though the farmer, in an attempt to preserve the opportunity of real free enterprise, and the opportunity of helping himself economically through co-operatives, has no alternative left except to fight both groups like hell. If there ever were reasons why farmers need to be fully organized in presenting a united front to defend themselves, these are adequate reasons.

Farmers Meet

We understand that over 100 farmers of the Marlette area attended a meeting to discuss the whole matter. Not only have the Marlette co-op haulers joined in the fight, but two Brown City and the one Clifford Co-operatives have voted to form a joint committee to present a united front in this matter. All efforts and conciliations have apparently failed, so the farmers have appealed to the courts and a temporary injunction has been served upon the union, restraining its members from refusing to handle any milk.
 A hearing is to be held on the matter and presumably some decision arrived at in the near future.
 Since writing the above, the United Dairy Workers Union has withdrawn from the court hearing on the injunction and it is our understanding that they will not contest making the injunction permanent. Local lawyers were quoted as saying, "that the Union would have had little chance in court."
 Electrons travel at the speed of light—186,000 miles a second.

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Discover Record Vein of Water

Discovery near Ypsilanti of a hundred-foot gravel vein containing water probably the thickest water-bearing gravel vein ever found in Michigan, has been announced by the geological survey division of the conservation department.
 The vein was discovered while tests were being made to find a water supply for the Willow Run bomber plant and surrounding territory. It is a potential source of supply for Ypsilanti, Ann Arbor, and the area surrounding Willow Run.

Wild Geese

Perhaps five species of wild geese occur in Michigan, but only three are at all regular or abundant. These include the Canada, and two smaller species, the Blue Goose, and Lesser Snow Goose, both known locally as "brant."



It's just a bent and twisted piece of metal lying in the mud of Italy—that identification tag you see above.
 It's also a young life snuffed out like a candle in the wind; a mother's heart near breaking.
 Yes, it's all these things. But it is also a fighting American who stopped a bullet aimed at the heart of America!
 If you think you can't afford to buy more Bonds, just consider that that boy in Italy couldn't afford to give his life, either. And his mother couldn't afford it . . . or his father or his sweetheart. **FIND A WAY! BUY MORE THAN BEFORE!** The Government needs the money urgently—Now!
 When a Victory Volunteer comes to your door during the 5th War Loan, asking you to increase your Bond purchases, don't put him off. Don't make him come back. Be ready! **BUY MORE THAN BEFORE!**

5 Reasons for Increasing Your War Bond Purchases

1. The tempo of this war is hitting its highest point. Government expenditures for war are at the peak. **MORE MONEY IS NEEDED . . . NOW!**
2. In proportion to WHO HAS THE MOST MONEY, individuals are not buying their share of War Bonds. America must correct this situation.
3. War Bonds provide the farmer and rancher with the financial reserve he must have to survive the ordinary ups and downs of farming as a business.
4. Money will be needed urgently at a future date to replace and repair farm equipment, machinery, and buildings. War Bonds will provide it.
5. War Bonds are the safest investment in the world. Return a good rate of interest, are easy and convenient to buy and sell. Buy from bank, post office, rural mail carrier, or Production Credit Association.

Back the Attack!
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 Conservation department fire authorities cite the law when declaring that most offenders—those who fail to secure permission to set fires for such purposes—are to be found below the Muskegon-Bay City line. Persons living in the more largely forested northern counties are fire-consenters and are better acquainted with the law. Conservation officers issue such permits.

Unable to Sow Oats? Plant Proso Millet

For those who were unable to get oats planted in time, here is still an opportunity to plant Proso or hog millet . . . up to about June 20. It is a good grain substitute for oats. Harvest in September. Hog millet combined if windrowed first. May be used instead of ground for live stock feed, but need not be ground for poultry. It has a slightly lower feed value than corn, but higher than oats. The yield compares favorably with that for barley.

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Farm & City Women's Organizations Meet

Representatives of virtually all of the leading women's organizations agreed at a conference in Washington in mid-May that their major problems are basically the same, regardless of whether they live on farms or in cities. As a result, the women decided to use their organizations to promote a better understanding of the mutual interests of town and country.

This decision grew out of a rural-urban conference arranged by Mrs. Charles W. Sewell, of Otterbein, Ind., Administrative Director of the Associ-

ated Women of the American Farm Bureau Federation.

Feature of the conference was a series of panel discussions on education, health, food and citizenship. Speakers presented the farm and city viewpoint on each major topic and then opened the subject to a cross-fire of questions and answers. Country women learned of the benefits of group hospitalization and heard that most working city women are covered by social security insurance.

The climbing perch from Asia is a fish that can walk on dry land and climb trees.

Memorial Day Suggests Some Questions to Us

By Mrs. Edith M. Waggar
Briar Hill Farm, Carleton, Monroe Co.

Memorial Day is a day set apart in memory of those who served our country in time of war. They protected the blessings that have come to such a country as ours.

Years ago entire families felt duty bound to drop home work and attend the exercises in the village. Early in the forenoon we joined the march to the cemetery, led by veterans of the G.A.R. The grave of every veteran was marked with a flag and strewn with flowers, mostly wild flowers gathered from the nearby woods by the children before. After a basket lunch we assembled and listened attentively to a school program of recitations and songs and patriotic speeches until chore time. This was the entire program for the day—a day dedicated to the honor of American soldiers, living and dead.



Mrs. WAGGAR

I well remember the bitter protest against a dance held one Memorial night. A year or two later the day was desecrated by a horse race in the afternoon. It soon became the custom for the old folks to listen to the oratory while the younger fry attended the first big ball game of the season.

Time brings changes. In war there have been great changes between the day of the musket and the bomber, between hard tack and a canned balanced diet, between horse and airplane transportation, between little or no communication with soldiers and V-Mail.

But, while the methods have changed,

ed, there's still the horror, the heartache, the sacrifices, and the selfishness that go with all wars.

The boys in service know far more about home affairs than we sometimes think. They read the home papers they get with appreciation, and in some ways in a different light than we think. I've heard comments on the shortage of paper, yet the great amount of space devoted to society news, so many strikes for more pay by those who have escaped army life and army pay, the elaborate weddings, and the clamor for gas to go on trips.

Many of the soldiers are wondering how they are going to pay the debt on the home they had to leave. Others had planned an education or a start in business; still others had not reached the age where they could lay serious plans.

Are we thinking of these things when we talk about post-war planning? Are we letting anything dull our sympathy, our patriotic interest, our self-respect and our loyalty to those doing the fighting?

We are proud of our boys in service. We hear very little griping from them about their lot. Are they going to be just as proud of us when they get back? Are we living up to our responsibilities, or are we trying to make sure that we get a normal living in war time?

Those of us at home are all on the deferred list—deferred to do a certain job—a job that should fit in some place in winning this war and in bringing peace and contentment and opportunity to a war weary world. The Golden Rule put into practice would hasten the day we are all hoping to see.

Have \$2,000 Toward Red Cross Clubmobile

More than \$2,000 has been received toward the purchase and operation of a Red Cross Clubmobile, a project sponsored by the Associated Women of the American Farm Bureau Federation for 1944, reports Mrs. Charles W. Sewell, administrative director.

Purchase price of a Clubmobile is \$3,500. Operating cost of the vehicle for one year amounts to \$21,000.



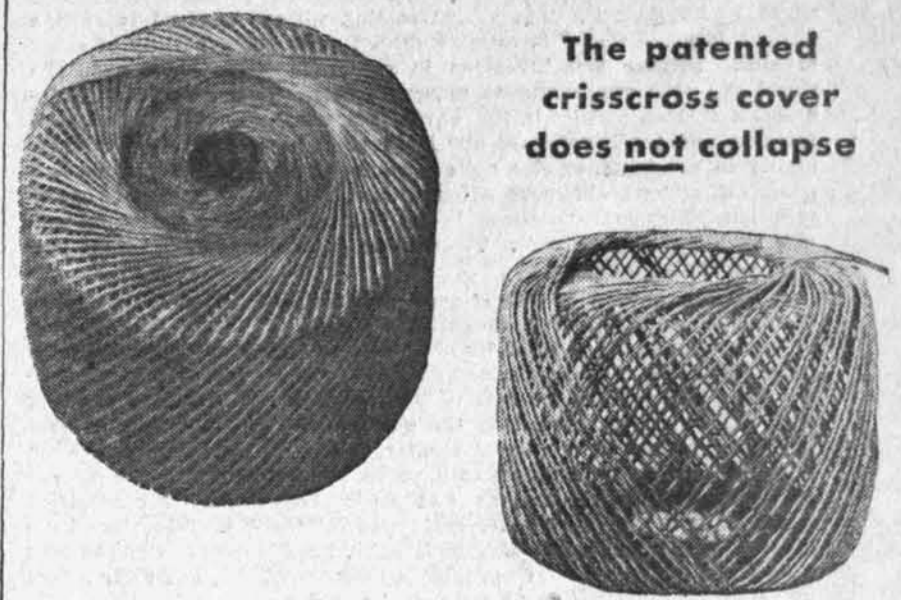
The Clubmobiles are outfitted with a doughnut machine, a coffee urn, and many instances a 16 mm. moving picture machine. They may be equipped with newspapers, magazines, victrola with records, a small library, writing materials, etc. They are manned by three American Red Cross girls and a mechanic. The Clubmobiles are driven to isolated spots where service men on duty are unable to get to the club centers in the larger cities. Overseas they are operating in Great Britain, Australia, North Africa, Italy, Sicily, and India.

Donations should be sent to Mrs. Ray Neikirk, St. Louis R-1, Mich., Michigan director for the Associated Women of the American Farm Bureau Federation.

"Shirts grow on trees" in India. When needing a new shirt, the native strips off a piece of bark, and with holes cut in it for his arms and head it becomes a ready-to-wear, serviceable garment.

Several English words have in the past been used ironically so frequently that their original meaning has become reversed. For instance, the word "silly" at one time meant "blessed."

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THANKS A MILLION for the heavy spring movement of Farm Bureau seeds. We are still trying to catch up with our chores. In military strategy we often read of "consolidating our gains" after an objective has been won. We think it good strategy in peace or war.

Speaking in farm organization rather than sales terms, we wish it were possible to consolidate all Farm Bureau gains made from time to time. To hold all old members and keep the fruits of victories won is no less a struggle than the winning of new members and new victories. The secret of both lies in fully gaining the confidence of those with whom our lot is cast. This is our aim. That we fall short of the goal is not strange. But profiting by mistakes is one method of consolidating gains.

WE ARE SORRY that we cannot furnish all the Farm Bureau quality seeds our friends demand. A firm determination to hold the quality up prohibits handling all the volume possible. There is only so much quality seed.

SEASONABLE SEEDS. Sudan grass is in heavy demand this year as an emergency hay or pasture crop. The price has risen with the demand, but the seed continues to hold a well-earned popularity.

Brome Grass demand is also strong. The past few years have seen this product forge to the front as a companion crop with alfalfa for hay or pasture.

Sweet Clover and Domestic Rye Grass used in combination furnish the subject matter of Extension Folder No. 66 issued January, 1944 by Michigan State College. For a program of nitrogen fixation and prevention of soil erosion this program (seeding in corn) has much to recommend it.

Save your Seed in 1944. According to seed authorities, the most serious scarcity in the history of American agriculture has developed in the case of red clover, alfalfa and alsike clover. Every producer who finds it possible to do so is urged to save all the grass seeds he can grow this year. The need will be great if we are to continue to furnish the grasses that supply meat for the people at home and abroad.

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WE CAN PREVENT A FAMINE IN LEGUME SEEDS

By ROY W. BENNETT
Seedsman, Farm Bureau Services, Inc.

Nearly every farmer who has live stock has an increase over last year and has a feed problem. Only about 60% of the oat crop was planted on time. Barley is a short crop, too. But we still have time to get other feed crops planted.

A few more acres of corn will do much to relieve the grain shortage. Atlas Sorgo will furnish tons of roughage per acre. Soybeans make many tons per acre of good hay. Cut for hay when beans have podded. You can follow this crop with winter wheat. Plant some acres to Sudan grass. About 10 lbs. per acre will produce good high grade pasture from the last of June until frost comes. It will save a lot of grain. One-half acre of Sudan will keep a cow all summer.

Proso or hog millet is a good substitute grain for oats and will produce feed for chickens and hogs.

There is a great shortage of all legume grass seeds. We know that the shortage is world-wide. We must increase our seed stocks from crops now in the making. Let's cut a crop of seed from June, mammoth, alsike or alfalfa this summer to avoid a famine in seeds. It is strictly in the farmers hands as to what will be available for years to come. The 40% surplus of legume seeds carried over by seedsmen has vanished. If you harvest enough for your own use you will increase the over-all production. Grass seed crops can only be harvested from hay crops let go to seed. So plant some emergency hay and make seed this year from that grass seed meadow. Sow rye grass and sweet clover in your corn fields and get fall pasture and a good growth of sweet clover to plow down. Brome grass has been very valuable to many farmers. If you need good hay or pasture, get a field into brome grass. Let's not get in the same position we were in after the last war. We are going to be called on to furnish clovers and alfalfa seed to aid Europe for several years. We can furnish seed easier than feed.

We can prevent a famine in alfalfa and clover seeds if we will take seed crops this year. In my 24 years of service with the Farm Bureau Seed Department, the shortage this season outranks all others. We have tried to do our part by keeping overabundantly after seed.

We have spread our supplies around so all customers get their share. Now comes the time when you can help your country by saving seed from your harvest. Let's all do our best.

Farm Bureau Canneries Doing War Work

Slogans such as "Food for Victory" are heard every day, but most people associate guns and bullets with war industries. However, the Farm Bureau Fruit Products Co. operates food processing plants which are designated by Secretary of Agriculture, Claude R. Wickard, as essential war industries. The three factories owned by growers in each area are Oceana Fruit Growers, Inc., Hart; Fruit Co-operative Canning Co., Coloma; Bay Co-operative Canneries, Inc., Essexville.

Besides canning fruits and vegetables, food is processed for the frozen food trade and for the preserve manufacturing trade, with the major portion of the total production being requisitioned by the Chicago Army Quartermaster far ahead of the canning season. For example, 75% of all the cherries, 54% of the tomatoes, and 75% of the apples canned are set aside for the army buying agency before civilians are even considered.

The major portion of several products of our co-operative group is purchased by manufacturers, who in turn hold large War Food Administration contracts. These are, for example, preservers who buy our grapes and berries for army marmalade, and chili and spaghetti sauce makers who buy our tomato puree," according to C. N. Hinman, general manager of the Farm Bureau Fruit Products Company since its organization in 1936.

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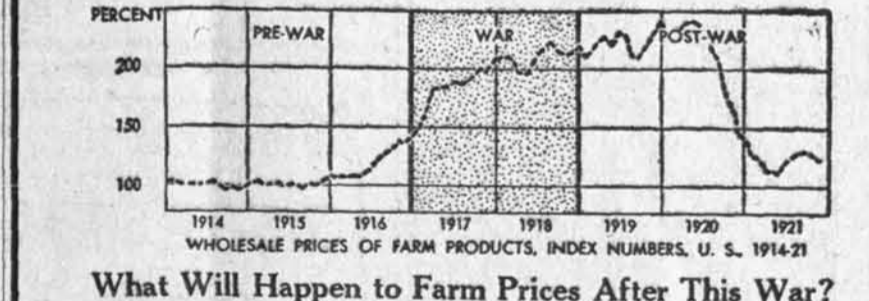
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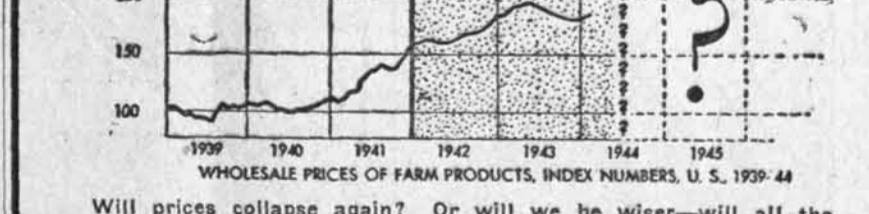
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We Must Not Let This Happen Again—

Wartime "prosperity" after the last war suddenly turned into a collapse of farm prices so disastrous that one out of every thirteen farms in America was sold at credit distress sale from 1920 through 1926 alone.



What Will Happen to Farm Prices After This War?



Will prices collapse again? Or will we be wiser—will all the agencies of food production and distribution plan and work together now for a sound post-war future?

Since you as producers, and we as distributors, are both charged with the job of feeding America, we share these problems. We face the same questions about the future. We have a mutual interest in the post-war prosperity of agriculture and of the American people.

Can We Hold Present Civilian Markets?

Last year the average American family ate nearly 7 percent more food than in pre-war years—and farm income was greatly increased. Higher national income, coupled with the Government's nutrition program and with the distributive efficiencies developed in the pre-war period, have tremendously expanded the domestic market for farm products.

How much of this expanded market we can hold after the war will depend greatly upon how well we can satisfy our customers today with the foods they are buying now. Every progressive agriculturist and distributor knows that this means that:

- Standards of quality, grading and packing must be raised, insofar as wartime conditions will allow.
- There must be a steady uniform production of the varieties in greatest demand.



- Consumer demand must be stimulated through stronger advertising, display and other sales promotion activities at the retail store.
- Waste and spoilage must be reduced through faster, more direct deliveries, better refrigeration and less handling.
- Production and distribution methods must be made more efficient and costs reduced . . . so that more consumers can afford to buy the better quality products offered—thus expanding growers' and shippers' markets and giving them greater aggregate returns.

How Are A&P and Atlantic Commission Helping to Insure Agriculture's Future?

Every farmer who is enjoying increased returns for his products during this war period is benefiting from the improved market coupled with the distributive efficiencies pioneered by A&P and Atlantic Commission and other progressive distributors in the pre-war years.

For example, through streamlining methods of handling fresh fruits and vegetables—and reducing waste and spoilage—we were able to cut distribution costs 25 percent in the pre-war years 1937 to 1941, and increase returns to producers 7.8 cents of each consumer's dollar.

This increase has meant greater income for the growers and shippers who distribute through us. Equally important, it has served as a stimulus to all distributors to improve their methods, with direct benefits to all agriculture. This kind of continuing efficiency in the distribution of your products after the war, together with production more nearly balanced with demand requirements, is the key to the future of farm prices, farm markets and farm income.

Is Teamwork An Answer?

Obviously, no one knows all the answers to agriculture's post-war problems. But this is crystal-clear: Close co-operation between producers and distributors can make a tremendous contribution to a better future for agriculture. The pattern for this future has already been set by efficient growers, shippers and distributors and progressive agricultural leaders working together. We are proud of our part in this, and all our energies and facilities are pledged to its continuance.

As this principle of teamwork is more widely applied, more and more producers and distributors will be better able to accomplish our mutual job of feeding America today, and at the same time will be helping build a sound future for all agriculture.

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Impact of War On Rural People

Background Material for Discussion in June by Our Community Farm Bureau Discussion Groups

By EUGENE A. SMALTZ
Membership Relations and Education

ROLL CALL QUESTION—Why should rural people concern themselves with social betterment in other countries?

Our country is engaged in a great world war to preserve freedom as we understand it. The very fact that we are engaged in such a conflict is proof that this country cannot exist independently of other nations. Science and invention in numerous fields have made the world one vast community in many respects. They have made it inevitable that all peoples in the world, both rural and urban, must have freedom and the benefits of our civilization in accordance with their ability to use them, or else none can have these advantages. This is a great cultural advancement of our generation, which makes co-operation mandatory among nations in the interests of peace and social welfare on a world-wide basis. There is no other alternative, except perhaps perennial warfare.

The recognition of this change and its implications for all types of educational endeavor is exceedingly urgent. It means that the role of our nation in the community of nations to which we unavoidably belong, will have to be determined and made real to our citizens generally. This will involve the task of finding ways and means of working with other nations throughout the world to the end that international harmony, rather than discord shall prevail. In order to accomplish this purpose, it is necessary to have an understanding of the culture of people in different regions and an awareness of their problems which have a bearing on international relationships. Educational endeavor must include, not only geography, but also studies of the way people live—their economic problems, their social life, and their actual or potential contribution to a peaceful world order.

The impact of these changes on morality will cause an expansion rather than the destruction of moral and ethical values. People engage in immoral and anti-social behavior when they are frustrated and lose their sense of social responsibility. Already the war has caused us to be more tolerant of cultural traits which differ from ours, and has kindled our faith anew in the value and desirability of democracy. This condition lays the foundation for the next step in social progress, that is participation in the great adventure, to make effective and meaningful in our own and other countries, the Christian ideal and the democratic faith, that men are brothers more than they are enemies. The accomplishment of this objective may yet be the great achievement of the 20th century.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Do we have to repeat the experiences of the 20's and 30's?
2. Shall we make profit or security a priority?
3. To what extent is national security dependent upon wealth and armaments?
4. What responsibilities do we have for the welfare of races and groups other than our own?
5. Can our present standard of living be maintained if we help to improve the living conditions of less advanced peoples?
6. Is it possible for an individual to do anything to maintain and develop a peaceful world order?
7. Will the danger of dictatorship continue at the close of the war?

Offer 360 Short Course Scholarships

The W. K. Kellogg Foundation, State Board of Vocational Control, and Michigan State College offer 360 scholarships to Michigan rural youth for 8 weeks short courses in agriculture during the winter, and spring. The scholarships pay for course fees, books, room and board. Fall and winter terms for students south of Westland and Newaygo county lines. Spring

course for students north of that line. An equal number of boys and girls will be selected in each county. Applicants must be those who plan to make farming their vocation. They must be 16 to 21 years of age, and have completed the 8th grade. Boys must be living on farms. For descriptive booklet and scholarship application blank, write Short Course dept., Michigan State College, East Lansing, or see your county agricultural agent. Most scholarships will be awarded by August 1.

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TREASURY SETS DATES FOR CO-OPS TO FILE RETURNS

Every farmers' co-operative ass'n must determine its position and act accordingly with respect to the annual information returns required of tax-exempt co-operatives by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

The Commissioner has ruled that all co-operatives exempt from federal income tax must file the information return, Form 990. Those whose fiscal year ended between Dec. 31, 1943 and March 31, 1944, must file the return not later than Aug. 15. Tax exempt co-operatives whose fiscal year ends after March 31, 1944, must file the information return not later than the 15th day of the fifth month following the close of the fiscal year. In Michigan returns will be filed with the Collector of Internal Revenue at Detroit.

Information returns are required only from tax exempt co-operatives. A non-exempt co-op will not file the annual information return but must file a tax return on Treasury Dept Form 1120 each year.

To be regarded as "exempt" a co-operative must prove that it is exempt. It is NOT sufficient for an ass'n to claim that its structure and operating methods entitle it to exemption from federal income taxes. The organization must obtain a letter of exemption from the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, who will issue such a letter if the ass'n structure and operating methods conform to the requirements for exemption. An agr'l marketing or purchasing co-op that claims to be exempt but which has not proved its exemption is acting as its peril. It should for its own protection immediately apply to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue at Detroit for copies of Treasury Dept Form 1028 to be used in applying for a letter of exemption. The application, when completed by the Ass'n, should be returned to the Collector of Internal Revenue at Detroit.

An organization claiming to be exempt, which neither holds a letter of exemption nor has a letter of exemption pending, should file an application for such a letter in addition to filing an information return. If the application is denied, then the ass'n must file the usual tax return with the Collector of Internal Revenue as a non-exempt organization.

Community Farm Bureau Activities

(Continued from page 1) spoke for the subsidy while Evert and Alle Bowerman were against subsidy. Mrs. Earl Johnson sat in on the discussion for city dwellers. After both sides had stated their points of view and Mrs. Johnson presented figures to show the effect of the subsidy on the people in the cities, the results were summarized. Others present were then asked to state their opinions and a lively discussion took place.

ALBEE-SPAULDING, Saginaw — Mrs. McCormick led a discussion on the broadcast on WSAM by Albee-Spauldling group. The group felt it would encourage the farmer to form the habit of listening to the agricultural broadcasts and it would bring a better understanding of farm problems to our friends in the city.

BETHEL, Branch — Mr. Schubatis reported the meeting of the Board of Directors held recently and plans for more discussion groups for the coming year. The board seeks more co-operation and better understanding between urban and rural groups, and between the farmer and labor. Branch County Farm Bureau has over 600 members in the Michigan Hospital Service.

SOUTH DELHI, Ingham — We decided that the advantages of consolidation were far outweighed by the disadvantages to the rural children in this area. It might benefit children above the sixth grade but not so for the children below that grade. Buses in this vicinity too crowded for safety. We voted against consolidation of schools.

WEST HURON, Huron — Fast time is a hot issue in Huron county. Farmers resent it as detrimental to the war effort in a great agricultural county. Farmers have expressed their views in the newspapers and in meetings, but the big boys in town think differently. How do farmers throughout the state feel on this matter. Can we do something about it as a state?

SOUTHWEST OAKLAND, Oakland — 35 attended our May meeting with Mr. and Mrs. Schughart. In discussing food production problems, the statement "a majority of the people of America are not adequately fed," brought vigorous denial. There was little interest in the tariff. We concede that America has lost control of the world markets for some products, notably wheat and cotton. With other nations, we are interested in trading off our surplus products to our mutual advantage.

BUCHANAN, Berrien — We have had wonderful attendance at our meetings. Perhaps the co-operative suppers had something to do with it, but the speakers have been very interesting, too. We use motion pictures, too. This summer we plan several picnic programs.

FARM BUREAU MEMBERSHIP 28,423

June 1 the total paid-up membership of the Michigan State Farm Bureau was 28,423 in 50 County Farm Bureaus, which is 118% of our 1944 goal, as set by the American Farm Bureau.

The membership has gone up 439 since the March 31 report of 27,984 published in the Farm News for May 6.

Counties to win prizes are as follows: Contest No. 1—Percentage of farms signed as members. First, Branch county, 48.8%; second, Berrien county, 43.5%. Contest No. 2—Percent of 1944 goal

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secured. First, Shiawassee county, 174.33%; second, Eaton county, 174.11%. Contest No. 3—Total number of farms in Farm Bureau. First, Berrien county, 2,318 members; second, Saginaw county with 1,603. Contest No. 4—Largest number of members signed by volunteer workers. First, Bert Amrheim of Washenaw county signed 83. Second, Ralph Duryea of Hillsdale county signed 60. Third, Jay Chamberlain of Ionia county signed 53. State Farm Bureau district representatives to win prizes for membership gains made by their districts are: First, Everett Young, Charlotte; second, George Schultz, Paw Paw, and Charles Openlander, Grand Ledge; third, Wesley Hawley, Ludington.

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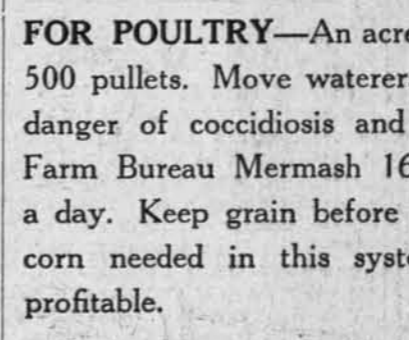
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FOR COWS—Alfalfa and Brome Grass pasture fills in after the June grass pasture is gone. Sudan grass pasture helps the alfalfa-brome cover your needs. If you haven't this set-up, plan now for next year. . . Feed grain on pasture to maintain body weight and a longer lactation period. Farm Bureau Milkmaker 32% protein with your own grain, or Pailfiller 16% will help your cows make more money.



FOR POULTRY—An acre of pasture will handle 500 pullets. Move waterers and feeders to lessen danger of coccidiosis and other diseases. Feed Farm Bureau Mermash 16% protein two hours a day. Keep grain before birds at all time. No corn needed in this system, which will prove profitable.



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