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Legislature Stands Pat on its New Tax Bill

EDITORIAL

Tidelands Issue and Michigan

Citizens of Michigan and other Great Lakes states will do well to understand the tidelands oil dispute in Congress between the states and the federal government, says Congressman Paul Shafer of Michigan.

The issue was whether the federal government or the states of California, Louisiana and Texas shall own the oil and other rights in submerged lands off their coasts up to the three-mile limit.

At some other time the federal government might challenge the rights of Michigan—with the longest shore line of any state in the Union,—because something of great value might be discovered in the future in the beds of those lakes.

The federal government was on top with a U. S. Supreme Court decision in its favor. But this month in Congress opponents of federal ownership of the tidelands got Congress to enact legislation giving the states title to their submerged lands and the natural wealth. President Eisenhower's approval was thought certain.

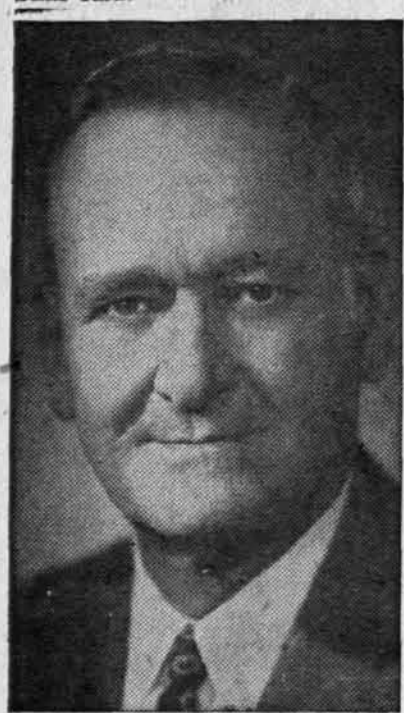
The American Farm Bureau favored the states. It said in a resolution adopted at the annual meeting in December, 1952:

"We favor legislation which will quit-claim to all the coastal states the areas seaward to the three mile limit (and in the case of any state to the limits designated in the charter or treaty under which it joined the Union). All areas from these limits seaward to the edge of the continental shelf should be the property of the United States.

"We recommend in connection with these latter areas, that provision be made by Congress for their exploration, that appropriate royalties accrue to the federal treasury, and that the major and minor petroleum companies and farmer cooperatives have equal opportunity to develop the petroleum and other resources of these areas."

Falling Farm Prices and Supports

John W. Sims, executive secretary of the Ohio Farm Bureau, was heard over WJR and Ohio radio stations the night of May 15. He spoke on "What Can We Do About Falling Farm Prices?" To the statement, "One of the great issues in the country is the level at which the government should support farm prices," Mr. Sims said:



JOHN W. SIMS

"THAT'S the \$64 question. I don't believe it can be answered by saying we want 100% or 90% or 50% of parity. Each commodity will have to be considered by itself."

"I think you have to know about what the usage is and what the production is before you can arrive at what the fair support price should be.

"WITH MODERN methods of production, 90% of parity on citrus fruits, for example, would be far above present market prices. "Certainly a support should not be so high as to bring about continuously overproduction and waste.

"PRODUCTS have to be used.

They are no good just stored up. We produce for use and not for storage. Yet we do need to carry over a good supply of food because we never know what the next year will bring as far as weather conditions are concerned.

"We have had very good production weather in the past 12 years. That's very unusual. Whether or not we will have a drought next year that would limit production severely is unknown, nor do we know what the international situation will be. So a storage program is necessary.

"NOW we should recognize that no government can support prices unless it also has the power to control what the production shall be.

"So the higher the support, the more strict the controls through acreage allotments and marketing quotas.

"WE WANT some kind of a support which with that particular commodity will not bring about severe controls, come that will allow the product to be used either in this country or abroad, and one that will not bring about severe excess production. There is no use of producing food that is not used.

"WE NEVER had a program that was exactly right. Even with our present program of 90% of parity we are having all these price drops and troubles. We need to keep on trying these programs to see whether or not we cannot arrive at the right answer."

Mr. Sims is well-known in Michigan. He is a graduate of Michigan State College. He taught vocational agriculture at Hillsdale and Plainwell and later was county agr'l agent for Hillsdale and Tuscola counties. For a number of years he was in charge of soil extension work for MSC.

Congress 5 Short on Agr'l Economy Bill

May 25 in the house of Congress an amendment to cut funds for the agr'l conservation program from 195 to 140 millions dollars lost 201 to 196. Republicans for the amendment—Ced-erburg, Clardy, Dondero, Ford, Knox, Meander, Oakman, Thompson, Wolcott. Republicans against Bentley, Bennett, Democrats for—Robaut. Not voting, Dingell, Hoffman, Shafer.

New Law For Farm Tools On Highway

The legislature has recognized the mechanical changes in farm tools and has passed H-214 to allow moving of wider width machines without a special permit. By special legislative action, the act will become effective immediately when signed by the Governor.

Present width limit for farm machinery is 108 inches (9 feet) unless a special permit has been obtained. Many tools exceed this width, including drills, combines and pickers. The new act provides:

1. Outside width of farm machinery shall not exceed 186 inches (15½ feet).

2. Implements wider than 108 inches shall not be moved on highways between sunset and sunrise.

3. No machinery or vehicle shall cross the centerline of a state trunkline unless authorized by law. (Requires a permit if machine is too wide for half of road.)

4. Allows use of flashing red lights on farm tractors after dark or in poor visibility.

If permits are necessary, they must be obtained from the state highway department, county road commission or local authority for roads under their control. The permit is good for only one trip on the specified day.

In supporting the bill Farm Bureau spokesmen argued that "This liberalization would not be abused. Farmers do not take a combine out on the highway for a pleasure trip."

Several arrests have recently been made in the Lapeer area for excessive machinery widths.

Women Elect Six to State Council

During the series of spring district meetings held by the Michigan Farm Bureau Women, new members of the State Advisory Council were elected.

ELECTIONS were held in the spring so that the new chairmen could attend the district chairman training school, July 29. They do not take office formally until the fall district meeting. The new members of the Council are:

DISTRICT 4—Mrs. Robert Weisgerber of Ionia county. Mrs. Weisgerber is a former county chairman of the Ionia Farm Bureau Women's Committee. She has been vice-chairman of District 4 for the past two years. In addition to her Farm Bureau work, she is very active in the affairs of the LeValley Church and in other civic organizations.

DIST. 6—Mrs. M. O. Hitchings of St. Clair county. Mrs. Hitchings also is a former county chairman of the St. Clair county Farm Bureau Women, she has been very active in Farm Bureau work for years. She is interested in every phase of the Farm Bureau work, particularly the legislative phase.

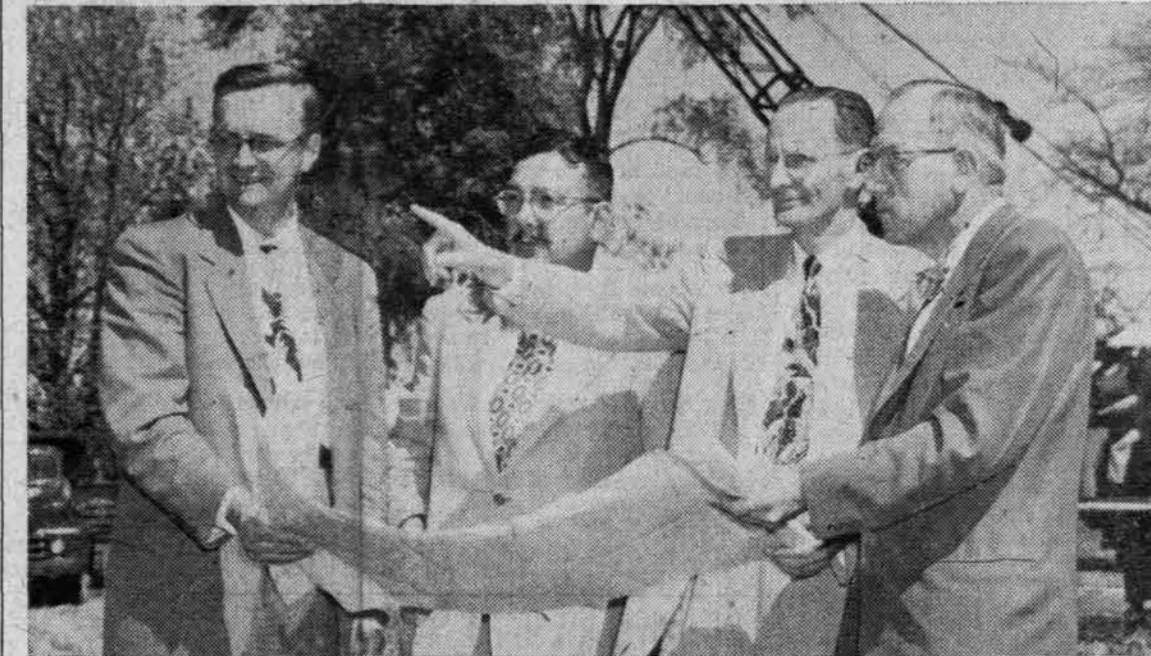
DIST. 10W—Mrs. Hiram Brock of Charlevoix county. Mrs. Brock has been a very active chairman of the Charlevoix County Farm Bureau Women.

DIST. 10E—Mrs. Alden Matthews of Ogemaw county. In addition to being past chairman of the Ogemaw County Farm Bureau Women's Committee, Mrs. Matthews has been vice-chairman of District 10E for the past two years. She is very active in PTA and child study groups, also a member of the Eastern Star.

Mrs. Theo Mohn of Quincy in Branch county was re-elected district chairman of District 2. Mrs. Clare Williams of Gratiot county was re-elected district chairman of District 8.

Other members of the State Advisory Council are: District 1—Mrs. Harry Shannon of Cass Co. District 3—Mrs. Sherman Richards of Livingston Co. District 5—Mrs. Carl Topliff, of Ingham Co. District 7—Mrs. Carl Johnson of Montcalm Co. District 9—Mrs. Ernest Heim of Northwest Michigan County Farm Bureau.

Break Ground for Fertilizer Plant Governor to Let It Become Law



LEFT—J. F. Yaeger, executive secretary of Farm Bureau Services, turns first shovel of earth to break ground May 19 for the \$1,000,000 FBS fertilizer manufacturing plant at the southwest edge of Kalamazoo. Present for the ceremony is Alfred Roberts of Pigeon, president of FBS. In the background is a big power shovel, ready to take over.

TOP—William Jennings, (pointing) construction engineer for John J. Hart Co. of Atlanta, Ga., describes the highly mechanized plant to (left to right) Adolph Ecklund, manager of FBS fertilizer manufacturing division; Alfred Roberts, president; and J. F. Yaeger, executive secretary.

The Kalamazoo plant will use a new process for making up to 40,000 tons of high analysis, granulated plant foods a year. Facilities can be expanded to make 60,000 tons. It is hoped to be operating in December to produce some plant foods for spring of 1954.

At Saginaw the FBS fertilizer plant started operations in March, 1948. It is producing 65,000 tons of high analysis fertilizers and superphosphate annually.

Bill to Cook Garbage for Hogs

1. After signature by the Governor, it will go into effect 90 days after final adjournment of legislature.

2. It requires anyone feeding garbage to swine to secure an annual \$5 license from the Michigan Department of Agriculture. This provision does not apply to any person feeding garbage from his own household.

3. Requires cooking for 30 minutes at 212° of all garbage containing meat scraps which is to be fed to hogs.

4. Commercial feeders of garbage may secure a one-year exemption from the act. This permits cities to provide new means of disposing of garbage.

5. Commercial feeders so exempt will not be entitled to indemnity payments for diseased hogs required to be slaughtered.

6. Since the first outbreak of V. E. Disease in Michigan on last October 5, indemnities and control measures have cost over \$223,000. State and federal governments share this expense.

100 Leaders Attend Midwest FB Conference

More than 100 Farm Bureau leaders from all parts of the lower peninsula are planning to attend the Midwest Farm Bureau Conference to be held May 31 - June 3 at Lincoln, Nebraska.

Keith Tanner and Wesley Hawley of the Michigan delegation are on the program to carry on group discussion based on numerous topics.

The meeting is planned for the purpose of getting together the leaders from 12 states and ex-

MFB Directors Ask Congress To Aid Benson

The board of directors of the Michigan Farm Bureau at Lansing, May 26 urged Congress to approve President Eisenhower's Reorganization Plan No. 2.

"AUTHORITY to reorganize the U. S. Department of Agriculture at the earliest date possible is essential to the Administration's efforts to restore a sound, free market, private enterprise, agricultural economy.

"Secretary Benson must be granted necessary legal and supervisory powers over the departments, personnel and projects for which he is held responsible.

"ONLY with proper authority as carried by Reorganization Plan No. 2," said the Farm Bureau, "can the administration succeed in reducing wasteful expenses and save millions of the taxpayers' dollars. From long experience, we know that Secretary Benson has the ability and character to effectively execute the authority which the Michigan Farm Bureau board of directors is asking Congress to grant."

Senate Approves No. 2

May 27 the U. S. Senate approved Pres. Eisenhower's Plan No. 2 to reorganize the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture. Effective automatically June 4 unless lost in House. Farm Bureau members are asked to wire or write support to their Congressman.

Coccidiosis

Clean, uncrowded feed lots and clean feeding and watering equipment are among the best safeguards against coccidiosis in feeder calves, Michigan State College specialists remind.

changing ideas that will promote the Farm Bureau in general.

A Michigan delegation breakfast is scheduled for Tuesday morning June 2, to discuss happening of the meetings and how they may be applied to Michigan.

Invite Women To Northwest Camp June 9-11

MRS. ERNEST HEIM

The 9th annual camp sponsored by women of the Northwest Michigan County Farm Bureau will be held at Twin Lakes Camp, 4 miles west of Traverse City, June 9-11.

WOMEN of Northwest Michigan extend a cordial invitation to Farm Bureau women to attend this event in the Heart of Nature's Playground.

Theme of the camp will be "Sharing our American Heritage." An excellent program has been arranged by the committee headed by Mrs. Leonard Watson of Keystone Farm Bureau Group.

CAMP will open at 9 a. m. Tuesday, June 9 with registration. Program starts at 1 p. m. with a welcome by Mrs. Watson and the keynote address, "Sharing Our American Heritage."

Dr. H. J. Stafesth of Michigan State College, will speak on "Animal Diseases that Affect Man."

Dale Butts of MSC will speak on "Consumer-Producers Relations." Mrs. Gardner of Sparta will present her dolls as "First Ladies of the Land."

RESERVATIONS are being taken by the secretary, Mrs. James Draper, Traverse City R-3. Cost for the camp is \$12. Women should bring their own bedding, including a pillow.

FB Membership 58,598

Membership of the Michigan Farm Bureau was 58,598 as of May 18. This is 103% of goal for 1953.

West Central and Northwestern regional membership districts (see reorganization article page 4) have 99% of goal. All others range from 102 to 107%.

Buy Farm Bureau Feeds.

Michigan Farm Bureau Compares Acts of Legislature so Far with Resolutions Adopted by Farm Bureau

STANLEY M. POWELL
Legislative Counsel for Michigan Farm Bureau

Supposedly the main part of the legislative session is now behind us. The lawmakers recessed from May 22 to June 4. They went home, leaving all appropriation bills hanging fire.

The Representatives were insistent that they should not approve the budget until they knew what action the Governor would take relative to the new "adjusted receipts" tax bill.

The Governor has announced that he will allow this new revenue proposal to become a law without his signature. It will go into effect July 1, 1953, unless held up by some constitutional technicality.

Although there may still be considerable fireworks before the Legislature reaches final adjournment, now scheduled for July 3, the present lull affords an ideal opportunity to compare what was actually done relative to resolutions adopted by the voting delegates at the annual convention of the Michigan Farm Bureau last November.

The first resolution in the Michigan Farm Bureau pronouncements on state affairs dealt with taxation and finance. It was recognized by the delegates that balancing the budget and making a start toward the reduction of the state's general fund deficit would undoubtedly be the most important and difficult problem confronting the lawmakers at the 1953 session. That prediction certainly came true.

MANY tax proposals were presented and eliminated one by one. Finally an entirely new scheme called a levy on "added values" or "adjusted receipts" was proposed on May 12 as a Senate substitute for H-353. The Farm Bureau staff immediately studied this new proposal from the standpoint of its effect on individual farmers and their organizations. Members of the MFB legislative committee were summoned to Lansing by telephone. They met at state headquarters on May 13 and gave instructions as to testimony to be offered at the public hearing held by the Senate committee on taxation on the evening of May 14.

It is obvious that no taxpayer having gross receipts of less than \$20,000 annually would have any tax to pay. This is true because a taxpayer would be entitled to a deduction of not less than 50% of gross receipts, thus bringing the "adjusted receipts" down to \$10,000. Each taxpayer would have an exemption of \$10,000.

Just how this new proposal will actually work out will depend to a considerable degree on the rules and regulations which will be formulated by the Michigan Department of Revenue which will be charged with its administration. At least we can agree that the bill in the form passed by the Legislature is far preferable to that reported a few days previously by the Senate committee on taxation.

We can probably take credit for having advocated and promoted adoption of many amendments which materially improved the bill from the original version.

TURNPIKES. The Farm Bureau delegates had taken the position that if toll roads were to be constructed in Michigan they should be financed entirely on a self-liquidating basis without the bonds becoming an obligation of the state and constituting a lien on state highway revenues. During the course of legislative consideration of S-1004, the provisions of the bill were brought into substantial harmony with the Farm Bureau position on this subject.

HUNTERS. The problem of liability of farmers for the safety of hunters and other persons coming onto privately-owned property was given considerable consideration by the Farm Bureau delegates. Since then this matter has been discussed by the Community Farm Bureau groups and at a series of meetings held between farmers and sportsmen throughout the state. In harmony with Farm Bureau recommendations, the Legislature finally enacted H-241. Provisions of this measure were changed repeatedly during its consideration by the

legislature. In the hearing held on this bill in the House of Representatives, we pointed out that there was still an inequity in the measure in that no deduction could be made for the purchase of equipment, the life of which would

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 The purpose of this Association shall be the advancement of our members' interests educationally, legislatively, and economically.



HIRAM and MARTHA
 BY R. S. CLARK

Evening
 It's pleasant, Hiram, on our porch beneath our clambering vine;
 An intimate situation, fond and permanent and fine.
 There is something so enduring in our mutual regard
 That the thought of parting sometime makes me choke and swallow hard.
 Years ago when we were younger and the children were abed
 We have sat and slapped mosquitoes here and planned the years ahead
 While the trilling toads in springtime and the katy-dids in fall
 And the whip-poor-will, in season, furnished music over all.
 We were sometimes tired and anxious with the duties of the day
 But the perfume of the lilacs seemed to rinse our cares away.
 It was always lovely, Hiram, and I find it lovely still
 Though the children all have left us two alone upon our hill.
 They used to come and see us every Sunday, mighty near.
 We could count on Ben and Mabel and they'd generally appear.
 Often they would come to dinner, with the grandkids one and all,
 And we'd talk and romp and rumpus all together big and small.
 Now we see them only seldom. They are busy with their own
 Lives and problems, just as we were, and it's good to be alone
 It is better, in the long run, that they take their way apart.
 For we shall not be here always and it's easier on the heart.
 When the time arrives for parting they will grieve to see us go
 But their ways will be established, and I guess it's better so.
 Meanwhile, Hiram, it is pleasant to review each fond delight
 With our love and with the lilacs, on our own front porch tonight.

R. S. Clark
 315 Grinnell Street
 Jackson, Michigan

Rural and Urban Women Meet



MRS. EVELYN BELTON, president of the Women's Division of the Muskegon Chamber of Commerce, welcomes rural and urban women of western Michigan to the luncheon in Muskegon May 13 to hear Mrs. John M. Converse of Union City, and speaker for the Michigan Farm Bureau. Seated left to right, Mrs. Lillian Bolt, Muskegon county, chaplain of the Michigan State Grange; Mrs. Marjorie Karker, director of Women Activities for the Michigan Farm Bureau, Mrs. Converse; Mrs. Geraldine Sheldon, Muskegon, who spoke for the city women.

Mrs. Converse Speaks to 250 At Muskegon

A loaf of bread was cited as symbolizing the working together of rural and urban people for a better life for all as Mrs. John M. Converse addressed a rural-urban women's get-together in Muskegon May 13.

MRS. CONVERSE, wife of a Union City farmer, was winner of the 1952 Michigan Farm Bureau Women's speaking contest. In her Muskegon appearance Mrs. Converse gave her winning talk, "A Farm Woman Chats with Her City Friend."

Some 250 women from throughout western Michigan heard Mrs. Converse at the luncheon in the Occidental hotel ballroom. The event was under auspices of the women's division of the Muskegon Chamber of Commerce and the C. of C. agriculture committee.

MRS. GERALDINE SHELDON, past president of the C. of C. women's division, called on women to share ideas and be more active in public affairs and business.

Mrs. Marjorie Karker, director of Michigan Farm Bureau women's activities, introduced Mrs. Converse.

Mrs. Lillian Bolt, Muskegon County, chaplain of Michigan State Grange, gave the invocation. Mrs. Evelyn Belton, president of the C. of C. women's division, and Mrs. Basil O'Grady,

member of the luncheon committee, welcomed those present.

Mrs. Kitty Kitterman, Muskegon Heights, led the pledge to the flag. She is a member of the Women's Relief Corps of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Mrs. Harold Dobb sang, accompanied by Mrs. Robert Phillips. Both are Muskegon residents.

Mrs. Iris Vorigias was chairman of the arrangements committee. Her committee was assisted by rural women's leaders of Muskegon county.

FBS Pays Patronage Dividends

Farm Bureau Services, Inc., has made the following distribution of patronage dividends to patrons who are holders of Farm Bureau Services common stock:

MAY 1—\$45,573 in share credits and stock as patronage dividends on business done with 13 FBS branch elevators and seven dealers on patrons relations program for the year ending August 31, 1952.

MARCH 24—\$92,036 in share credits and stock as patronage dividends on FBS wholesale business done with farm cooperatives and other local dealers for the year ending, August 31, 1952.

By action of the Farm Bureau Services annual meeting of shareholders in December of 1951, all patronage dividends are limited to holders of FBS common stock.

To become a common stockholder, a farmer or an eligible dealer must buy not less than \$50 of Farm Bureau Services Series A 5% debentures to acquire the one share of common stock at \$1.

Tiedemans of Genesee County



The Tiedeman family of Gaines, Genesee county, have been prominent in the Farm Bureau since it was organized in 1919. Presently, Mr. Marvin Tiedeman has one of the best-equipped farmer-dealerships for the Farm Bureau Services Farm Equipment Division. Mrs. Tiedeman is his partner, and has been secretary of the County Farm Bureau the past six years.

ABOVE Mr. Tiedeman is shown with a tractor before the building on his farm used for display purposes and for servicing farm equipment. Mr. and Mrs. Tiedeman, at the right, are looking over a Black Hawk planter just added to their stock. Their shop has modern equipment and is well-stocked with parts.

Marvin's father, the late Claus Tiedeman, was one of the first farmers in Genesee county to become a member of the Farm Bureau.

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- CORRIEDALE Sheep. For the month of June only I will accept in trade registered Corriedale rams up to 4 years of age. Write me for particulars. George E. Mikesell, Charlotte, R. 4, Michigan. (6-11-20b)
- MILKING SHORTHORNS—We won Premier Breeder award at the 1952 Michigan State Fair, our 9th in 10 years. Take a short-cut to success by heading your herd with a young bull from Ingleside Farm. Write or visit Stanley M. Powell, Ionia, R-1, Michigan. (11-11-57b)
- CORRIEDALE SHEEP. Does your flock shear 10 lbs. or more of long staple wool? If commercial shearing shearer about using a Corriedale ram in that part of your flock you save your replacement ewes from George E. Mikesell, Charlotte, R-4, Michigan. (3-11-40b)
- WOMEN**
 SAVE MONEY—Order Free Sewing Book: "1953 Pattern Service for Sewing with Cotton Bags," 24 pages, tells how to make fashionable clothing and household items from thrifty cotton sacks. You save considerable costs when you buy products in Cotton Bags. Send postcard today—National Cotton Council, Box 76, (2-10-50b)
- WOOL PRODUCERS**
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 MIDWEST BRAND. It's knotless, made of Grade A fibre, and is unconditionally guaranteed on a money back basis. Should it give you any trouble, we'll pick up the unused portion of bale, give you another bale free, or give you back your money. Will anyone else give that kind of a guarantee? The price? About \$3.00 per bale under so-called nationally advertised brands. If your dealer does not handle, write or call us. We also sell International and New Holland baler twine. Suttiff Sales, Member of Michigan Farm Bureau, Night or day phone 3473, Hersey, Michigan. (6-21-55p)
- FARM MACHINERY**
 FOR SALE—Case No. 6 Combine with air cooled Wisconsin motor. H. Knapp, Box 593, Monroe, Michigan. (6-11-16b)
- WANTED—Steam engines, Thrashers, Grain Binders, Corn Binders, Silo Fillers, Shredders, Drive Belts, Outboard Motors. Harry Wassink, 835 Eastern Ave. S. E., Grand Rapids, Michigan. (4-31-20p)
- CASE 9-foot self-propelled combine, almost new; all essential attachments, such as spike tooth cylinder, skour-kleen, pick-up attachments, clover seed and bean attachments. Will sacrifice. 1949 Case baler with 1952 automatic twine tie attachment. Like new \$1150. New 3-14 Oliver Rader plow on rubber \$325. 1946 Allis Chalmers "WC" tractor, rubber like new, only \$695. Late model 28" Huber Roto rack grain separator, cheap. Suttiff Sales, member of Michigan Farm Bureau. Night or day phone 3473, Hersey, Michigan. (6-2-53b)
- WANTED—Steam Engines, Thrashers, Grain Binders, Corn Binders, Silo Fillers, Shredders, Drive Belts, Outboard Motors. Harry Wassink, 835 Eastern Ave. S. E., Grand Rapids, Michigan. (4-31-20p)
- FOODS**
 4 POUNDS Fresh Salted Peanuts, postpaid \$3.00. Peerless Foods, 538F Central Park, Chicago 24, Ill. (6-21-13p)
- FARM EQUIPMENT**
 WANTED—to rent or purchase, concrete steel silo forms. W. H. Knapp, Box 593, Monroe, Michigan. (6-11-9b)
- MAPLE SYRUP PRODUCERS**
 "BE SURE FOR '54"
- 1954 SYRUP Season! Orders placed in June for new King Evaporators for delivery during summer of 1953 for use in spring of 1954 are given a liberal discount. Be sure for '54. Order that new King Evaporator now. Send for catalog and prices. Sugar Bush Supplies Co., PO Box 1107, Lansing 4, Mich. (4-11-50b)
- HEATING REPAIRS**
 REPAIRS for stoves, ranges, furnaces, boilers, any make, any model, any age. Guaranteed to fit or your money back. Give full name, model number, serial number. Describe, make sketch or give marks on parts wanted. Central States Stove Repair Co., 2248 Robinwood, Toledo, Ohio. (6-21-42b)
- FARM HELP**
 WANTED, married man to work on purebred livestock farm by year. Stanley M. Powell, Ingleside Farm, R-1, Ionia, Michigan. (4-11-17b)

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 507 South Grand Ave. Lansing 4, Michigan

eau in 1919. Claus was always active in the organization. Marvin has been a member of the county board of directors and Mrs. Tiedeman has been county secretary for six years. They are members of the Grand Blanc Cooperative Elevator Company and Argentine Grange.

In addition to having 380 acres of land under cultivation, and operating his Farm Bureau farm equipment and farm supplies store, Mr. Tiedeman has a live stock trucking service from Gaines to Detroit.

The corn farmer has some friends—chemicals

FB Services Retires 1940 Patr. Stock

During May, Farm Bureau Services called in and paid for the patronage dividend stock issued to farm cooperatives and other dealers on their purchases of Farm Bureau supplies in 1940. The stock amounted to \$47,850. This is in accordance with Farm Bureau Services policy to call in outstanding patronage

dividend stock in the years to come.

It is hoped that each year in the future all or a substantial part of the patronage dividend stock issued for a business year of the 1940's can be called and paid for. The next year will be 1941.

Again, 1941 will be a year when farm cooperatives and other dealers received the patronage dividends. They were the only holders of stock other than the Michigan Farm Bureau. Farmers began to become stockholders in 1942.

Buy Farm Bureau Seeds.

JULY 4th UNICO TIRE SALE

Second Tire for Half Price
 STARTS JUNE 15
 SALE PERIOD JUNE 15 TO JULY 15
 Unico tires are manufactured to first line specifications by one of the largest and most reputable tire concerns in the nation.

PREMIUM CUSHION TIRE
 Unico Premium Cushion Tires are bigger, with less air pressure . . . 24 lbs. Made with 100% rayon cord plys and cold rubber tread for longer life. With them you have a smoother, easier riding car, easier steering and better car control. They reduce bills and increase the life of your car. Guaranteed for life of tire against factory defects and road hazards.

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90% Price Supports Bringing Crop Controls

MFB Urges Return To 1948 Agr'l Act

The board of directors of the Michigan Farm Bureau of 58,000 member farm families urged members of Congress May 18 to initiate action immediately for the repeal of mandatory, 90% of parity farm price supports. They are provided in the 1952 amendments to the Hope-Aiken Act of 1948. The directors said:

"The Michigan Farm Bureau is certain that the flexible price supports in the original Act of 1948, and as amended in 1949, should be restored at the earliest possible date.

"We view with apprehension the chaotic conditions being created by the policy of mandatory farm price supports at the 90% of parity level.

"The 81st Congress amended the Hope-Aiken Act requiring mandatory 90% agricultural supports until July 1, 1954. These amendments set aside the variable farm price supports provided by the Act of 1948. This compulsory program until the end of the next fiscal year, July 1, 1954, is demoralizing the agriculture of the nation.

"HIGH, mandatory support programs are stimulating supply beyond consumptive demand at the mandated prices. Mandatory rigid supports are building burdensome government-owned surpluses and preventing adjustments in production within the industry.

lotments and marketing quotas on important crops next year. It is resulting in demands for 90% support prices by the growers of other products, such as beef, dairy products, etc.

"These high supports are attracting competing products from other countries and threaten the necessity of higher and higher embargoes on imports. This

"This is leading to acreage al-

Why U.S. Exports Continue to Shrink



ALLAN B. KLINE, president of the American Farm Bureau (left), recommends to Senator George B. Aiken (right) that the Senate Agr'l Committee favor a bi-partisan committee to find ways to recover the European market for U. S. farm crops and other commodities. Mr. Kline said, "Western Europe trades with us less and less because she can't earn sufficient dollars through export of goods and services to the United States. European nations are turning away from us to send manufactured goods to iron curtain countries in exchange for agr'l products and raw materials. Since 1951 U. S. cotton exports have dropped 50%, tobacco 34%, wheat and flour 28%, fats and oils 20%, lard 36%. We must realize export trade is a two-way street." Seated beside Mr. Kline is Senator Olin Johnston of South Carolina, a member of the committee.

is retarding the development of an adequate foreign trade program.

"There are many serious problems in the making:

"BUTTER is an economic and political problem now. Butter is hurt—markets are being and have been lost—the consumer is becoming irritated, and butter producers are unhappy.

"FATS, oils and by-products of oil seeds are an economic and political problem now. The near billion pounds of government-owned cottonseed oil is hanging over the market with no prospect

of immediate solution.

"WHEAT, corn, cotton, and tobacco are all economic problems and can easily become political problems.

"Already organized and unorganized groups of cattlemen, feeders and range men alike, have evidenced active protest against the high rigid supports of feed grains and concentrates. Hard work by conservative leaders in the cattle country is the only influence holding some pressures from moving in radical directions.

"IT IS our conviction that an

active, well-organized, positive program to restore the flexibility provisions of the Hope-Aiken Act should be initiated without further delay. The advantages of flexibility and the unworkability of high supports must be brought out quickly, together with any needed changes in the basic law.

"This may be the last opportunity for the American farmer to regain his initiative and voluntary participation in determining the destiny of himself and his family.

"A DO-NOTHING policy, permitting mandatory 90% price supports to continue unabated until their expiration next year, portends serious economic and political consequences. It preaches defeat of the efforts of the Administration to return our agricultural economy to a free market, private enterprise basis.

"The demoralization that will exist July 1, 1954, will be laid at the door of the present Administration and Congress by both producer and consumer.

"THIS BOARD of directors, in accordance with the resolutions of the Michigan Farm Bureau and the American Farm Bureau Federation enacted at the last annual meetings of delegates, strongly urges an early restoration by Congress of the flexible farm price supports provided in the Hope-Aiken Act of 1948.

"The Michigan Farm Bureau will aggressively support your efforts to this end."

Michigan Farm Bureau Board of Directors
C. L. BRODY
Executive Vice-Pres.

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A big reason for seed failures is an acid soil condition, or lack of lime, according to E. D. Longnecker, M.S.C. Soils Specialist. He advises farmers to apply lime this summer or fall. If lime is applied in adequate amounts it will be effective for 10 to 15 years. Longnecker adds that soil tests are the only means of discovering whether the soil needs a lime application.

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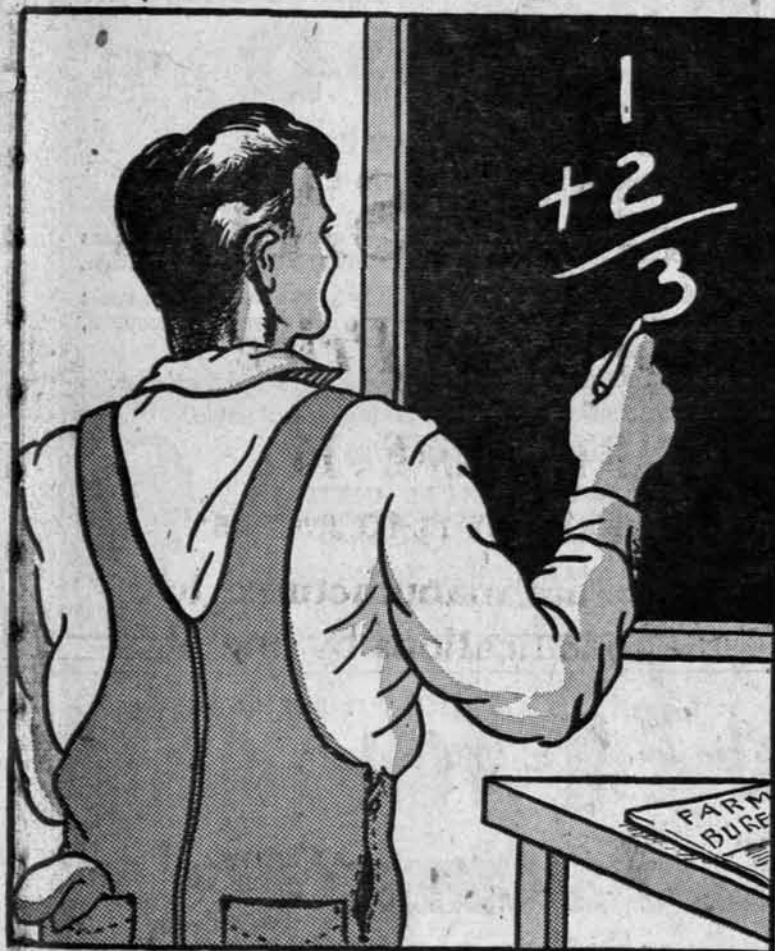
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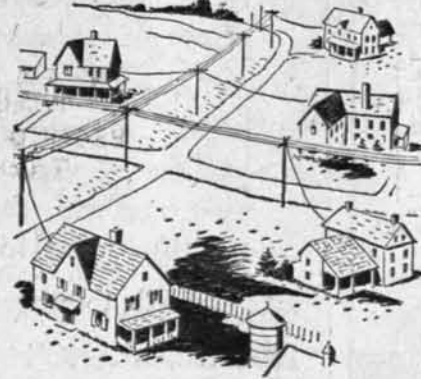
New "Early Red" raspberry lengthens season, boosts yield

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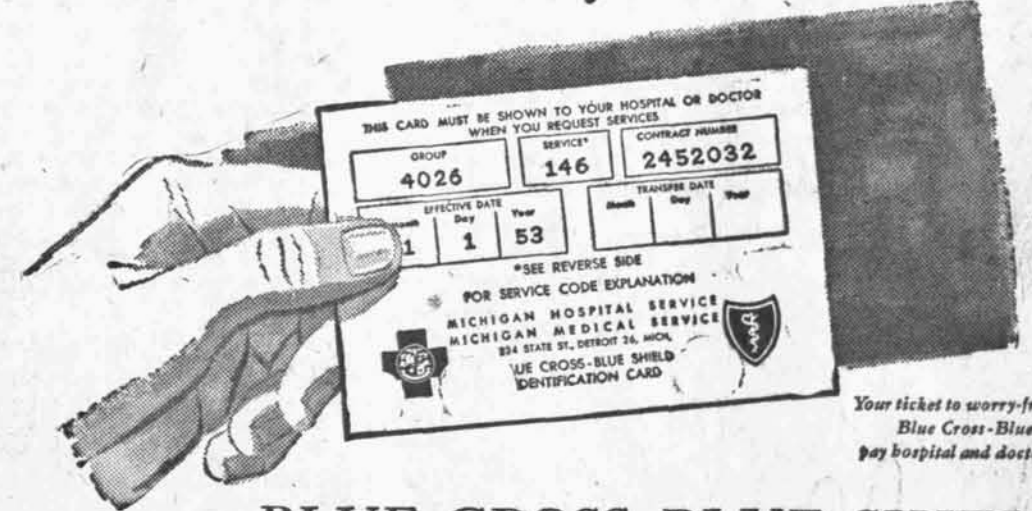
Operations at the Farm Bureau Services Farm Equipment branch at Lansing were resumed May 18 after a two weeks' strike by the employees there. They were organized as a CIO-UAW Union.

Settlement of the strike was made without the closed shop demanded by the union. Employees may join the union on a voluntary basis or not, as they choose. The matter of compulsory membership in the union was a point at issue.

The settlement included formal listing in the contract of a number of benefits of employment which all Farm Bureau employees have had. An increase was made in hourly rate of pay, and the work week was shortened to 40 hours. This arrangement totaled up to less hours and less take home pay and apparently is satisfactory all around. The contract is for one year and contains a no-strike agreement.

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Farm Bureau Re-organizes its Field Services

Member Service



KEITH TANNER on May 21 reorganized the field service of the Michigan Farm Bureau to put more power into promotion of new Community Farm Bureaus, to aid County Farm Bureaus with publicity, and to build up the Blue Cross service to our members.

Organization



NORWOOD EASTMAN now heads the Organization and Junior Farm Bureau programs. His work will include the membership acquisition programs of both the Michigan Farm Bureau and Junior Farm Bureau. Miss Betty Jane Pidd will aid in field work for JFB.

Community F.B.



WESLEY S. HAWLEY, formerly in charge of FB membership acquisition, is now promoting and developing more Community Farm Bureaus. There are 1250 now. He will aid committees of County Farm Bureaus in ways and means to organize new groups.

Staff Has New Responsibilities

A re-organization of the Field Services Division of the Michigan Farm Bureau was announced May 21 by Keith A. Tanner, manager.

The name has been changed to Member Service Division of the Michigan Farm Bureau.

Other changes include promotions and changes in the work assignments of the state staff and field forces.

The Member Service Division includes these departments and their managers: Organization, Norwood Eastman; Junior Farm Bureau, Norwood Eastman; Women's Activities, Mrs. Marjorie Karker; Community Farm Bureaus, Wesley Hawley; Education and Research, Donald Kinsey; Commodity Relations, B. P. Pattison; Farm Supply Relations, Fred Reimer; Office and Records, Mrs. Marjorie Gardner; Information, including Michigan Farm News, Einar Ungren; MFB Regional Representatives, 8 reporting to Mr. Tanner.

Education



DONALD D. KINSEY is out of Community Farm Bureau promotion work. As head of the Dept. of Education and Research, he will continue to provide background information for the discussion programs, and will provide information for state and county publicity.

Women



MRS. MARJORIE KARKER continues her work of counseling and assisting Women of the Farm Bureau. She will also aid the County Farm Bureaus in developing effective publicity programs. She is leaving her work as Blue Cross coordinator.

Records



MRS. MARJORIE GARDNER, supervisor of records for the Michigan Farm Bureau, has taken over the coordination of the Blue Cross-Blue Shield hospital-work formerly cared for by Mrs. Karker. Mrs. Gardner supervises the MFB office force and aids CoFB office managers.

Legislature Stands Pat on Tax Bill

(Continued from Page 1)
House and Senate. As eventually passed by the Legislature this bill read as follows:

"NO CAUSE of action shall arise for injuries to any person who is on the lands of another without paying to such other a valuable consideration for the purpose of fishing, hunting or trapping, with or without permission, against the owner, tenant or lessee of said premises unless the injuries were caused by the gross negligence or wilful and wanton misconduct of the owner, tenant or lessee."

GARBAGE. Farm Bureau delegates had realized the seriousness of the situation caused by outbreaks of Vesicular Exanthema among Michigan swine and had pointed out that this disease was found only on garbage-feeding premises. They had recommended that all places where garbage

is fed to swine be registered with the Department of Agriculture and that all such garbage fed on premises other than where produced should be cooked before being fed to swine. H-30, in line with these recommendations, passed the House with only two negative votes but was held up by the Senate committee on state affairs for many weeks. Various amendments written into this bill by that committee and by action on the Senate floor were undesirable from the farmer's point of view. However, these were eventually straightened out and the bill as finally enacted was substantially as recommended by the Farm Bureau.

SHEEP. Our delegates had called attention to the fact that the present Michigan law requires that sheep imported into Michigan be dipped twice, not less than ten days nor more than fourteen days apart, with supervision by the state veterinarian. This was expensive to the state and the sheep owner. The Farm

Bureau delegates had emphasized that a new product, when properly used, is an effective one-dip treatment against sheep scab. In line with the Farm Bureau recommendation the Legislature enacted H-392 providing for the one-dip treatment for sheep brought into Michigan.

BONDING BUYERS. Farm Bureau delegates had called attention to the need for bonding or some other method of assurance that buyers of livestock, milk and cream are financially able to pay for farm products received. They had urged the Michigan Farm Bureau board of directors to investigate and try to develop a satisfactory answer to this problem. Laws on this subject now in force in other states were studied and we supported H-440 requiring bonding of livestock buyers and S-1126 requiring bonding of milk and cream buyers. The former bill was passed by the House but defeated on the Senate floor. The second of these two bills was killed by Senate vote.

CONSTITUTION. Directors of the Michigan Farm Bureau opposed placing on the November 1954 election ballot the question of calling a Constitutional Convention. H-2 on this subject was approved by the House with only five negative votes, but the Senators finally sent this measure to a committee for burial.

CHILDREN. MFB Directors favored S-1057 which would make parents responsible up to \$300 for wilful damage by their minor children. This was approved by both branches of the Legislature and signed by the Governor.

FAIR TRADE. The Farm Bureau opposed S-1077, a so-called "fair trade" bill. The Farm Bureau felt that this would have stifled competition and resulted in artificially-maintained price levels substantially higher than those which would result under normal business conditions. S-1077 embodying such provisions was sent back to die in committee by a lopsided Senate vote.

ASSESSMENT. The Farm Bureau directors opposed creation of the office of county assessor and transferring from the township supervisor to this new official the function of assessing real and personal property. A bill providing this change, S-1081, died in a Senate committee.

LOCAL TAXES. The use of state equalized valuations as the basis of spreading local taxes, as provided by H-47 and H-48, was defeated in the House Committee on General Taxation. Later similar legislation, S-1306 and S-1307, was defeated in the Senate.

DOGS. A bill which would have virtually provided socialized medicine for dogs in counties requiring vaccination of dogs against rabies, and the consequent serious depletion of the fund from which claims for livestock killed and injured by dogs was completely rewritten during legislative consideration so that these features were eliminated. This was H-163.

SCHOOLS. Authorization for school boards to pledge future state aid payments to secure loans, as provided by H-198, was favored by the Farm Bureau. This bill was passed and became a law.

FARM TOOLS. Legislation to permit movement of farm tools of any width on highways without a special permit was favored by the Farm Bureau. H-214, embodying such provisions, was passed by both the House and Senate.

FERTILIZER. Amendment of Michigan's commercial fertilizer law as provided by H-218 was supported by the Farm Bureau.

Changes have been made in the assignments of the field force. There have been 10 of them in the past, each serving one of the 10 Farm Bureau membership districts. Now there will be eight to serve the 10 districts. They will be known as MFB Regional Representatives. The reassignments make it possible to more nearly equalize the work loads of the field force men.

The Farm Bureau membership districts are defined by the Michigan Farm Bureau by-laws and will remain intact as policy making districts of the Farm Bureau.

County Farm Bureaus are grouped in the new MFB Regional Representative areas as follows:

Northwestern Region—Charlevoix, Antrim, Northwest Michigan, Benzie, Wexford, Kalkaska, Manistee, and Missaukee Counties. Representative: Roger Forerch.

Northeastern Region—Emmett, Cheboygan, Presque Isle, Otsego, Montmorency, Alpena, Alcona, Ontonagon, and Iosco Counties. Representative: Donald Kilpatrick.

West Central Region—Mason, Osceola, Oceana, Newaygo, Mecosta, Muskegon, Montcalm, Otsego, and Kent Counties. Representative: Jerry Cordrey.

East Central Region—Clare, Gladwin, Arenac, Isabella, Midland, Bay, Gratiot, and Saginaw Counties. Representative: Carl Kentner.

Central Region—Ionia, Clinton, Shiawassee, Genesee, Eaton, Ingham, and Livingston Counties. Representative: Wayne Hoyt.

Thumb Region—Huron, Tuscola, Sanilac, Lapeer, St. Clair, Oakland and Macomb Counties.

AFBF Gives Congress View On Highways

A recommendation that Congress enact legislation to terminate the authority of the Bureau of Public Roads to set standards and specifications for secondary roads has been submitted to the House committee on public roads by the American Farm Bureau Federation.

Assistant Legislative Director Matt Triggs said that such standards should be set by the state highway department rather than the federal agency. Reason, the Bureau of Public Roads insists on specifications that are considered unnecessarily expensive by local road authorities.

AFBF has taken the position that taxation of motor fuels should be reserved to the states. The farm organization expressed a belief that toll roads are not a desirable way to finance highway construction.

"We submit that the best way to obtain a balanced highway construction program is by financing highways primarily by state motor fuel and vehicle taxes," Mr. Triggs said.

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Spokesman- Michigan Farm Bureau members gathered over 100,000 signatures in the summer of 1952 for a constitutional amendment to reapportion seats in the legislature on a plan offered by the Michigan Committee for a Balanced Legislature. The amendment, No. 3, became known as the Farm Bureau plan. It was adopted at the November election 2 to 1 over the CIO plan. C. L. Brody, executive vice-president of Michigan Farm Bureau (center), is shown delivering petitions to place Proposal No. 3 on the ballot to officials in the Secretary of State's office.

Spokesman, and Business Services

J. F. YAEGER

Executive Secretary of the Michigan Farm Bureau

What are the long range objectives and the day to day responsibilities of the Michigan Farm Bureau organization to its membership of nearly 58,000 farm families?

The statement which follows has been prepared as a guide for all employees of the Michigan Farm Bureau and its affiliated service companies. It is based on the resolutions of policy and program adopted at Michigan Farm Bureau annual meetings since the organization was founded February 4, 1919.

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Statement of Farm Bureau's Longtime Objectives: It is the purpose of the Michigan Farm Bureau and the affiliated Farm Bureau service companies to "advance and improve the agricultural interests of Michigan, and the Nation, educationally, legislatively and economically" and, in so doing, promote the welfare of all people in the State and Nation.

The above purpose shall be accomplished:

(1) **By a membership organization,** the Michigan Farm Bureau. It will function as a spokesman in all matters for the farmer-membership, the Community and County Farm Bureaus, the Women and Juniors of Farm Bureau as well as for the various business organizations, both on a local and state level, as are affiliated with Farm Bureau. It will promote the cause of the farmers in the above segments, and join with similar organizations in other states to do similar work on a national and international basis through the American Farm Bureau Federation.

(2) **By various cooperative business activities** within and outside Michigan such as will render "services of every kind and character" in connection with farming as a business.

(3) **By cooperation with any agency, organization, or business** where such cooperation will further the farmer as outlined above.

Day to Day Responsibilities: The objectives of the current daily operations of the Michigan Farm Bureau and affiliated companies are:

(1) **Through the parent organization,** the Michigan Farm Bureau, to "advance and improve the agricultural interests of Michigan and the Nation educationally, legislatively, and economically."

To act in all matters at community, county, state, national, and international levels as spokesman for Michigan farmers who are its members:

To encourage participation, and expression of opinions by farm men and women in the program; to develop ability and train through the Junior Farm Bureau farm youth in leadership.

(2) **Through a subsidiary,** the Farm Bureau Services, Inc. to serve farmers in:

A. Cooperative procurement of supplies both on a wholesale and retail level; to process and merchandise guaranteed seeds; and to manufacture open formula feeds; to procure improved farm equipment and machinery; to own and control sources of fertilizer ingredients and process and manufacture the same, and to carry on research in regard to the above.

B. Cooperative marketing of farm products either within the corporation or to cooperate with other farmer-owned, cooperative organizations to accomplish this purpose:

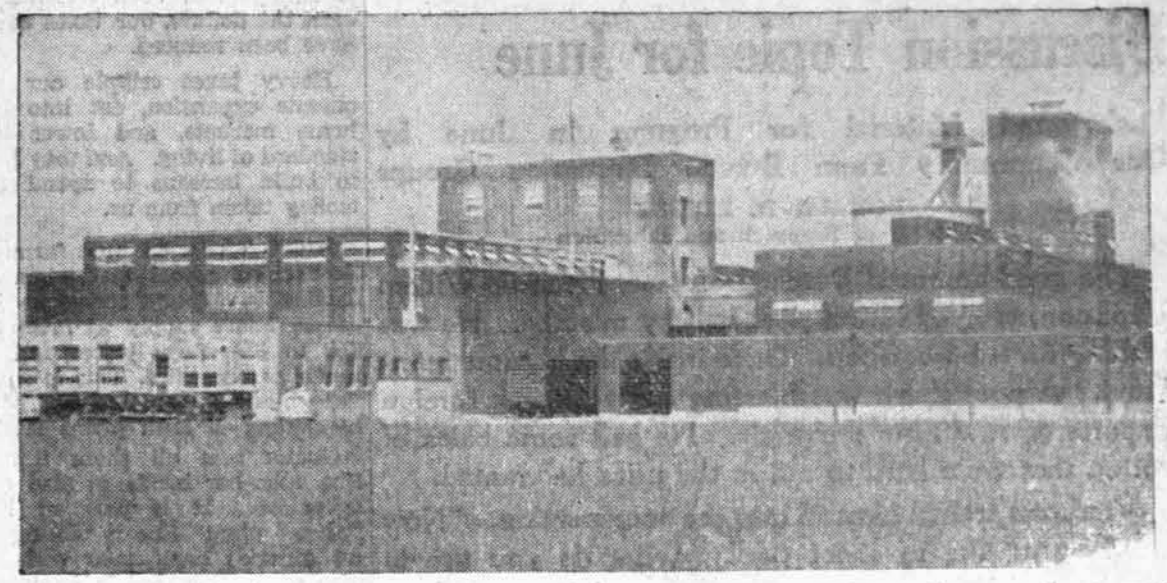
C. And to do all the above "at cost."

(3) **Through a subsidiary,** Farmers Petroleum Cooperative, Inc., to make available to Michigan farmers through their local co-op associations a complete line of petroleum fuels, lubricants, and related items such as tires, batteries, insecticide sprays, anti-freeze, etc.;

To assure satisfactory quality and ample supply through joint purchasing with other regionals; to gain control of raw materials, and producing and processing when it appears desirable; to maintain the equipment and facilities necessary to properly distribute all of these items and to accomplish it at the lowest possible final cost.

(4) **Through a Farm Bureau controlled insurance company,** the Farm Bureau Mutual Automobile Insurance Company, to serve Farm Bureau members only, with full coverage automobile insurance "at cost."

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Business Service- Farm Bureau organization and farmers' money is at work here. This is the Farm Bureau Services fertilizer manufacturing plant at Saginaw, built in 1947. For the 1952-53 fall and spring seasons nearly 65,000 tons of high analysis mixed fertilizers and superphosphate were manufactured here. Farm co-operatives and farmers have nearly \$1,500,000 invested in the factory, which is operated by about 25 men. It is completely equipped with mechanical loaders, unloaders, bulk elevators, conveyor belts mechanical baggers and other labor saving machinery for rapid and economical production. Farm Bureau is building a 40,000-ton annual capacity fertilizer plant at Kalamazoo.

Cornerstone for Youth Building

On May 8, 1953, the cornerstone was laid for the Youth Memorial Building, a project of the Berrien County Junior Farm Bureau since 1942.

Funds for the project have been raised during the past 10 years through different projects such as: crop projects, scrap drives, auctions, carnivals, talent shows, dances, rummage sales, bake sales, pancake suppers, fair concessions, and donations. The estimated cost of the building when completed is between \$45,000 to \$50,000.

AFBF Asks Gov't To Sell Surplus To Free Nations

The American Farm Bureau Federation has asked Congress to consider a proposal whereby up to one billion dollars worth of surplus farm commodities now held in government stocks could be made available to free nations at "going market prices" through the Mutual Security Program.

Under the proposed program the U. S. would accept "local currencies" of purchasing nations in lieu of dollars and then use these currencies to reinforce MSA by providing capital for increasing production and trade among cooperating countries.

Fewer farmers will earn more in 1960—producing more for more people, predicts M. S. C. farm economists.

Ottawa Considers Hunter Relationships

At the Ottawa County Farm Bureau board meeting May 13, Mathew Adema, legislative committee member, reported on a meeting with the Kent Conservation Dept. on farmer and sportsmen relationships. It was suggested at the meeting with the sportsmen that the state conservation dept. pay farmers indemnity for live stock crippled or killed by hunters. Mr. Adema was to meet with another group at Zeeland, May 27.

The board authorized \$25 to help sponsor the grass day program June 15 on the Gerrit Butch farm. Mrs. John Schont and Mrs. Arthur Schmidt will be sent as delegates to the Farm Bureau Women's camp at Twin Lakes, June 9-11. Two members of Junior Farm Bureau will be sent to the camp at Chelsea, June 14-17. President Hilbert Holleman and Mrs. Cornelius Mohr are Ottawa's delegates to the Midwest Farm Bureau Conference at Lincoln, Neb., May 31-June 3.

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THIS YEAR—as in years past—hay fires resulting from spontaneous combustion will cost Michigan farmers HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS! Last year alone, State Mutual paid known losses from this cause amounting to \$40,438.62. And it is reasonable to believe that many more losses, though listed as "cause unknown," were really caused by hay which overheated because it was too green or too wet when put in the mow.

WHAT CAN YOU DO to protect yourself against the danger of hay losses caused by spontaneous combustion or spoilage? Simply follow these common-sense rules:

1. Wait until hay is thoroughly cured before you begin hauling. We believe 90% of all hay fires would be prevented if farmers would observe just this one rule.
2. Check hay for overheating at least once a week for two months after it is stored in the mow. Use a hay prod thermometer. A reading above 180 degrees means there is dangerous overheating. If you have no thermometer, drive a long metal rod down through the hay, and then, after twenty minutes, check the rod for hot spots. If the rod is too hot to bear on the hand, the hay is dangerously near the combustion temperature.
3. Overheated or burning hay should be removed from the barn, but it is important to take these precautions: Have fire fighting equipment ready for immediate use. Have the fire department on hand if possible. Drench the overheated areas with water before removing hay. If possible, have the actual removal of hay supervised by someone who knows how to handle the job.
4. Even if the hay is properly cured before it goes into the mow, a leaky roof may let in enough rain to cause heating. So as an added precaution, be sure your barn roof is in good repair. It may save the whole barn from being destroyed by fire.

WE WILL BE GLAD to supply you with further information on how to reduce fire hazards on your farm. Or you can ask your local State Mutual agent. Be sure he also tells you about State Mutual's "protection-made-to-order" insurance—a policy that provides all the protection you need without unnecessary extras. And remember, you can now get protection from windstorm and hail damage to your buildings, all in one State Mutual policy.

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Tired
If you feel tired most of the time, take stock of your work habits, advise Michigan State College home economists. After a thorough physical examination you may find that fatigue comes simply from just dreading to do a job. If that is the case, break the job up in several parts over a period of several days, they suggest.

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Legislature Stands Pat on Tax Bill

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This bill passed the House but was defeated on the floor of the Senate.

MILK. Legislation for the use of automatic milk dispensing machines was favored by the Farm Bureau. H-269 and H-270 to permit use of such equipment were defeated in the House Committee on Agriculture.

The current session may not go down in history as noteworthy for any special enactment of outstanding importance to rural people. However, it is certainly true that during the past few months many matters of considerable interest to farm families have been under consideration in the Legislature at Lansing.

We can be grateful for considerable constructive accomplishment and probably even more thankful for a lot of things which were proposed but which were headed off without becoming law. Certainly farm folks can not afford to neglect to pay close attention to what is being promoted in legislative halls, both at Lansing and at Washington.

Nelson Named Dir. of Org. for Wash. State Farm Bureau

Richard Nelson, director of the California Farm Bureau Young People's Department, and assistant director of organization for the CFBF, assumed his responsibilities last week as director of organization for the Washington State Farm Bureau, with headquarters in Spokane.

Mr. Nelson has been with the California FBF since 1949. At that time, he joined the CFBF staff as first director of the young people's department, which had just been organized on a state-wide level.

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Foreign Trade—Russia's New Secret Weapon

Community Farm Bureau Discussion Topic for June

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

DONALD D. KINSEY
Director of Research and Education

The good-humored Dutch professor, Hendrik Willem VanLoon, strayed into a pool hall by mistake. He was looking for a barbershop. Once inside, he became interested. A pool shark was blasting away against foreign imports of raw fibre materials. He had some bales of cotton that were hard to sell at the price he wanted.

VanLoon settled himself into the conversation. "Now here! You like to shoot pool. What do you use in pool? Pool balls. And the best ones are ivory. Okay, friend, where does ivory come from?"

"Why—Africa, I guess."

"Correct! Therefore, somewhere in the African jungle there is an elephant. Now you can't go hunt that elephant yourself. You have to stay here in Louisiana and raise cotton. You leave the elephant hunting to some African native.

"So one of those natives hunts for weeks until he gets an elephant. Then he travels more weeks with the heavy tusks on his back to a port. He risks mosquito bites, snake bites, and tiger bites, but he makes it.

"He sells the tusks to an Arab for the going price. That price depends on what we are willing to pay for pool balls. A British manufacturer makes them up.

"An American importer of pool balls, pays the Britisher, and he pays the Arab. The Arab pays the elephant hunter.

"Now, the elephant hunter needs cotton clothes for his family. So he buys them with the money he got from America. Your cotton, or some like it, goes into those clothes.

"Now, brother, while you think you are shooting pool with pool balls, look again. Actually you are shooting pool with your cotton bales!"

PUTTING worries in the right place. Here in 1953 farmers are worried. Farm prices have taken a drop. The parity ratio hit 94. We got used to 110. One big factor that has produced this drop is the loss of foreign markets. And we are losing them! In December, 1952, exports were 30% less than a year earlier!

The production from one out of every ten crop acres in the U. S. was exported in 1951. That's a sizeable share of our market—and we are losing it! If we lose it permanently, net farm income will be lowered permanently. Good markets make prices.

MEANWHILE, friendly nations in the world need food, armaments, goods and raw materials. They are trying to build a defense against communism. They need dollars to buy goods from us. And they want to pay for the goods.

But American tariff barriers and curbs to trade on foreign imports deny them the right to earn American dollars. They have to cut their purchases of American goods. At the same time we are trying to persuade them not to trade with Russia!

IF WE refuse to trade with them, and block their trade with communist nations, where do we think they are going to get the things they need? To whom will they turn? Will they go without, just to please America?

Russia is not asleep, on the answer to that question. She is willing to bring peace in Korea. Why? That war is no longer needed. America can be beaten on the international trade front more easily. In 1952 Russia launched a trade war. She is working to capture the markets of our allied friends of Western Europe. Her tariff barriers are down! Ours are up—still!

IN EUROPE, America's "give away" program is becoming unpopular. People would rather have jobs than dole. Russia's offers are more attractive. She can use this weapon to divide and weaken the allied nations. To her it looks good!

America must remember that trade is a two-way street. We cannot export without balancing with imports. The loss of our world markets began in 1930. We passed the Smoot-Hawley tariff rates. American markets for America! But within a year and a half 25 nations set up barriers against us! We did not win. We lost—not only in goods from abroad, but in international goodwill. We have had to dig more deeply into our dwindling resources at home.

BEFORE 1930 the exports of farm products were greater than after Smoot-Hawley. Exports fell from 10% in 1930 to 6½% in 1933. Loss of these markets deepened the depression of the '30's.

Industry suffers when export markets are lost. You must sell goods to employ people. Loss of jobs or reduced incomes immediately hits the sale of farm products. So the farmer loses, too.

TARIFFS mean reduced job opportunities, since they reduce the demand for goods. Tariff-protected industries paid workers only \$1.00 to \$1.15 per hour in 1950. Export industries paid workers \$1.58 to \$1.93 per hour or 50% more. Production-perman was low in the "protected" industries, and high in those exporting. What are we doing? Are we paying taxes to protect the inefficient producers? We HAVE paid them in tremendous slices of foreign aid!

To keep out "foreign competition" we gave Europe \$7 billion in 1952. From 1943 to 1950 this

tax bill for this was \$31 billion. If Europe had been allowed to earn the dollars, our taxes could have been reduced.

Heavy taxes cripple our economic expansion, cut into our home markets, and lower our standard of living. And they help to build bureaus to spend the money taken from us.

HIGH TARIFFS hurt farmers. Economists reveal that when a decline in exports serves to increase home supply as much as 7% to 8%, farm prices fall as much as one-third. This is a severe blow. It is what has been happening to farm prices lately.

Russia sees all those things. She rubs her hands in glad anticipation. It is part of her "peace" plan! She is willing to let America hang itself with its own rope. The rope is a suicidal trade policy that must end in a ruined American economy. Let capitalism "knock itself out."

ARE AMERICANS likely to

become more generous in their trade policies toward foreign countries? We had to loosen up a bit in 1934. We made Reciprocal Trade Agreements then that reduced our barriers somewhat. And in 1945 we softened a bit more. The result, however, cut down the barrier only about half.

The fact is, every little industry or economic pressure group cries "Slap the other fellow, but don't take away my protective tariff!" Self-concern may outreach wisdom or concern for the future of the country and the world.

Gen. Omar Bradley comments that "America should guide its course by the stars, rather than by the lights of every passing ship." Our "dollar diplomacy" leaves Russia with an open door into the living rooms of America's friends and allies.

Opening America's door to trade must be done gradually. Industry and other productive arms of our economy must have time to adjust to such changes. But may-

be we ought to get started.

Questions

1. Considering Russia's intention to take away our European markets by a trade war, is it wise to insist on tariffs on American farm products?

2. Delegates to the American Farm Bureau Federation Convention in December recommended that Congress form a Commission from both parties to study ways and means of "increasing imports without unduly injuring or burdening American enterprises that would be affected."

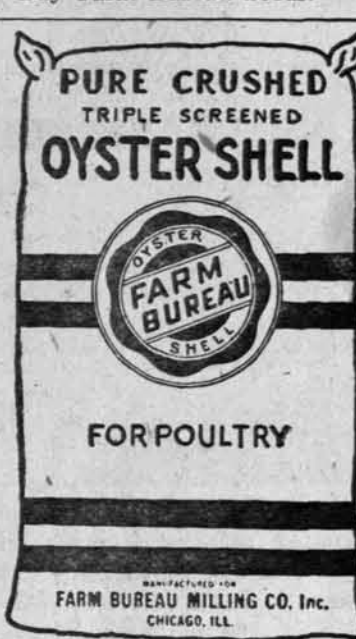
3. Is it your view that group members should write to Congressmen to hasten the formation of this commission?

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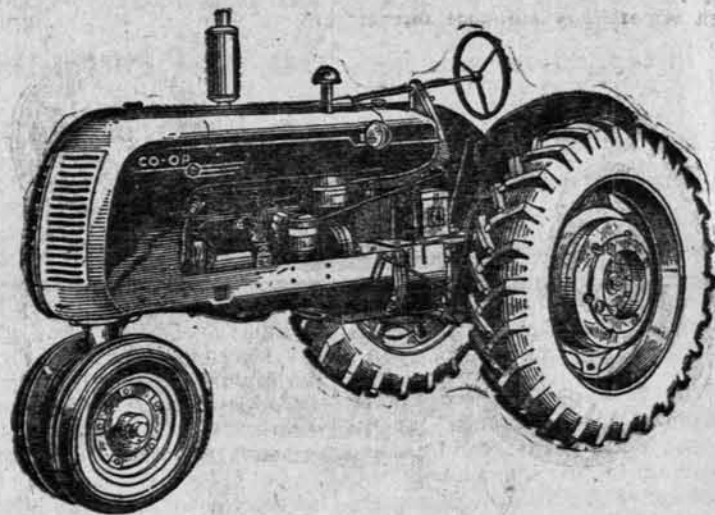
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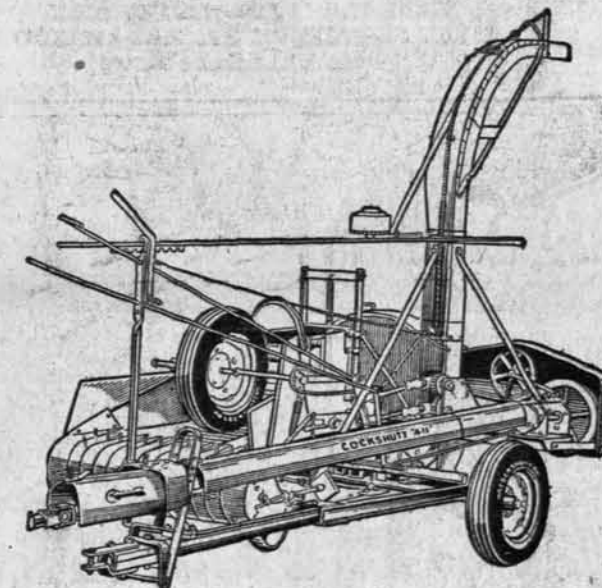
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- Jun. Should there be Tariffs on Agricultural Products?
- Jul. Preserving Township Governments and Local Tax Systems.
- Aug. Our Community Farm Bureaus and the Service-to-Member Programs.

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