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CASH INCOME ON FARMS INCREASE 108 PER CENT

Federal assistance to improve the lot of Michigan farmers from March, 1933, through June, 1938, is itemized in government figures made public last week by Abner E. Larned, state director for the National Emergency Council.

During the period cited the Farm Credit Administration and the Farm Security Administration made loans of \$31,172,608 and \$3,620,322, respectively, in Michigan, while outright expenditures of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration and the Farm Security Administration in the same period amounted to \$25,199,019 and \$3,583,181, respectively.

Farm cash income in Michigan, in consequence, rose from \$115,567,070 in 1932, to \$247,115,000 in 1937, an increase of 108 per cent. Of the 1937 income \$7,025,000 was in Government payments to farmers.

Labor Wages Up
Farm income of Michigan farm laborers also went up. The average monthly farm wage rate per person with board was \$13.50 on April 1, 1933. Four years later it was \$30.75, or 128 per cent above the 1933 level.

Farm real estate worth advanced 14 per cent. The number of foreclosed farm sales per thousand declined from 50.4 for the year ending March, 1933, to 15.8 for the year ending March, 1937. Bankruptcies among Michigan farmers during the same period dropped from 68 to 42.

In 1931 taxes on Michigan farm real estate reached what was probably their all-time peak in relation to value when they stood at \$2.20 per \$100 of value. By 1936 they had fallen to 87 cents per \$100 of value. Figures for 1937 are not yet available. Tax-exempted 41 2/3 per acre in Michigan in 1936 compared with \$1.34 in 1930 and 85 cents in 1932, according to National Emergency Council figures.

WEST POINT PARK

The local Parent Teachers' Association is sponsoring a Halloween costume dancing party Friday night at the Community Hall. School children will dance from 8 p. m. until 10 p. m. After 9 p. m. there will be old time dancing with good music and door prizes. The proceeds of the party will be used for remodeling and painting the old schoolhouse for the PTA meetings.

Miss Shirley Zwalhen was the Sunday dinner guest of Miss Olive Grunsky, of 22629 Power, in Farmington.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Olin and Edward White of Detroit, were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Clarke.

The Guests and the Carpenters of Lansing were the guests, Sunday, of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gillespie.

Mrs. John Hill of Vanderbilt was the guest Thursday afternoon and evening of Mrs. Edwin Addie. She also called on several other of her local acquaintances. She formerly lived in West Point Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Horvett and their children, Mrs. Mary Brinkman of Detroit and Mrs. W. Horvett of Pennsylvania, were guests, Sunday afternoon, of Mr. and Mrs. Lucian Gilbert.

Larry Robbins of Minneapolis, Minn., is the guest of Tommy Gillespie Jr.

Elmer Burger and Leonard Frankovsky of Detroit, and Don Helchman spent the week end at Barton City, at the Helchman hunting lodge.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Zwalhen and their daughter, Shirley, were guests, Saturday evening, of Charles Decker and his family in Detroit.

Mark Wise and Miss Jane Ault, of Uniontown, Ohio, were Thursday to Saturday guests of Miss Ault's sister, Mrs. Edwin Johnson.

Mrs. Harold McVicar, and her son Harold, were guests of her sister, Mrs. Max Bergin of Howell, from Friday until Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Stronostki of Wayne visited in West Point Park Saturday.

Richard Vance and Peter Eggleston spent the week end in a successful hunting expedition near Flint.

Mrs. Mable Hinkle of Detroit was the guest of her niece, Mrs. Austin Ault, Sunday.

Mrs. William H. Zwalhen and her daughter, Shirley, attended a birthday dinner Thursday evening in honor of Mrs. Zwalhen's son, William D. Zwalhen, of Detroit.

Miss Beverly Hay, a pupil in Mrs. Wolfe's room at Pierian school, entertained a number of her young friends Wednesday evening in honor of her eleventh birthday. Guests at the party played games and a luncheon was served. Mrs. Albert Owen was hostess to her card club, Wednesday.

More than 28,000 motorbuses are used to transport America's children to and from school daily.

Re-elected
THEODORE I. FRY
STATE TREASURER
Political Adv.

Government Announces New Examinations

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced open competitive examinations for the positions named below.

Teacher in Indian Community and Boarding Schools, Indian Field Service (including Alaska), Department of the Interior. This examination is announced for filling positions in various optional branches, with salaries ranging from \$1,620 to \$2,000. A college education and certain experience are required. Applicants must not have passed their fortieth birthday.

Agricultural Extension Agent, \$2,300 a year. Assistant Agricultural Extension Agent, \$2,600 a year. Indian Field Service, Department of the Interior. Certain college training and experience are required for these positions. Applicants must not have passed their forty-eighth birthday.

The closing dates for receipt of Applications for these examinations are: November 7, 1938, if received from States east of Colorado, and November 10, 1938, if received from Colorado and States westward. For the examination which includes positions in Alaska, two additional closing dates are given: June 30, 1939, for applications received from points in Alaska south of the Arctic Circle, and August 31, 1939, for those received from points in Alaska north of the Arctic Circle.

Full information may be obtained from the Secretary of the United States Civil Service Board of Examiners at the post office or customhouse in any city which has a post-office of the first or second class, or from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

REGISTRATION NOTICE TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTIONS OF LIVONIA TOWNSHIP, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT:

Registrations for voters who are not registered in this Township under the permanent registration system will be taken every day, except Sundays and Holidays, up to and including Saturday, October 29, 1938, at the New Township Office, on the North side of Five Mile Road, one block East of Farmington Road, or at any office at 2238 Five Mile Road, between the hours of 9 a. m. and 5 p. m. and Saturday, October 29, 1938, I will be at the Township Office between the hours of 9 a. m. and 5 p. m.

Last registration day is Saturday, October 29, 1938, for voting at Fall Election, to be held Tuesday, November 8, 1938.

Harry S. Wolfe,
Livonia Township Clerk
Oct. 13-20

Yellow River Is "China's Sorrow"

"Although a destroyer-in-chief, and justly entitled 'China's Sorrow,' like Egypt's Nile the Yellow river is also a life-giver. Washing rich top soil down from the mountains upon the North China plain, it transforms floods into farm fertility for the next generation. China's 'Sorrow' was also ancient China's cradle of culture," says the National Geographic society. "The Yellow river's rich soil deposits influenced the country's first civilized men to become farmers instead of wandering gnomes. And farmers the Hwang Ho valley inhabitants have remained for 40 centuries. A dragon symbolizing the Hwang Ho is described in a myth as having presented the Chinese people with their alphabet."

"Vital in the country's culture and cultivation, the Hwang Ho is practically useless in transportation. The Yangtze is navigable for steamships more than a thousand miles from its mouth; the Hwang, for about 55 miles. It is either too shallow or too turbulent elsewhere. In the middle third of its course, local shipping moves in flat-bottomed scows and in primitive rafts buoyed with inflated sheepskins and oxhides, much as in the nation's early history."

STATE TREASURER HAS A UNIQUE RECOMMENDATION



Theodore I. Fry, the State Treasurer, has filled his office so satisfactorily that he has remained in office over the past six years despite the changes from a Democrat to a Republican, then back again to a Democratic administration.

During the past fiscal year, \$222,452,929.52 of State funds passed through his office, and he has insured the security of this great amount of money by having laws enacted authorizing the acceptance of only U. S. Government or State of Michigan bonds as collateral to secure deposits with the banks.

Of the 25 million dollars of bonds purchased for the State sinking funds, not one bond is in default as to principal or interest, and the market value of these bonds has increased by more than one million dollars.

Mr. Fry was first elected to serve as State Treasurer in 1932 under Governor William A. Cooch. He was re-elected in the fall of 1931 to serve under the administration of Governor Frank D. Fitzgerald. In 1936, he was returned to office by a gratifying majority to serve under Governor Murphy.

Of the highest recommendations that a public official can receive to have his merit transcend all party prejudices, Mr. Fry has received this recommendation from the voters of the State.

INDIAN FISHES; MAKES LAKE WATER BOIL

Ghosts of the "ghost town" of Greilickville, three miles north of Traverse City, are haunting research writers of the WPA Federal Writers' Project.

Limited to using only authentic information in the Michigan Edition of the American Guide Book Series, and eager to make the volume glow with the life and romance of the state, they are interested in Greilickville because a "ghost" and

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RAYMOND W. STARR
ATTORNEY-GENERAL
Political Adv.

In the abnormal manifestations reported from its site.

Greilickville was a mill town and lumbering center in the '50s that once had a population of three hundred, had a couple of breweries and various other industries which have gone the way of lumber. It is Cedar Lake, however, with its legends of boiling water, bottomless depth, and sea-serpents that taxes the credulity of the federal writers.

Indian Legend
A legend relates that an Indian once went on the lake to fish and that thereupon the water began to boil. The Indian fled to shore, marked the lake, and since then no Indian ever has fished there. A Greilickville resident has reported seeing a strange Indian approach in his canoe, turn ashore and depart immediately, explaining only that the lake "is not good for Indians." Diligent search by white men has failed to reveal any mark of warning.

The sea-serpent legend is explained by some persons as caused by the presence of inordinately large sturgeons trapped in the lake in 1852 when Seth Norris dammed the lake outlet to provide his grist mill with power. Huge muskellunge as well as pan fish are taken from the deep water.

Michigan's average temperature is similar to that of states 150 to 200 miles south.

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CRANBERRY SAUCE 2 cans 29c	TOMATO JUICE 50 oz. can 19c

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