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RURAL CARAVAN OFFERS TIPS TO DAIRYMEN



D. L. Murray, MSC extension dairyman, makes a final check of the tural Progress Caravan dairy exhibit. One section of the dairy display eatures good sires for better dairy production. The Michigan State College extension service show visits Oakhand County January 23. It will be open from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Armory in Poutiac.

Michigan's Dairying

Farm Planning

Michigan's Dairying
Altho dairying is the largest and most widely sequence farming enterprise in Michigan. 70 percent of the dairy cows are south of a line from Muskegon to Bay City.

A. S. Balter, extension dairy specialist at Michigan State College, reports a recent study of the dairy animals in Michigan. The lower half of the lower pening the dairy animals in Michigan. The lower half of the lower pening the dairy animals in Michigan. The lower half of the lower pening the dairy animals in Michigan. The control of the lower pening the dairy animals in Michigan. The lower half of the lower pening the dairy animals in Michigan. The lower pening the dairy animals in Michigan in the lower pening the dairy animals in Michigan. The lower pening the dairy animals in Michigan in the lower pening the dairy animals in Michigan. The lower pening the dairy animals in Michigan in the lower peni

soil and crop production, livestock difficiency, better buildings and improving home surroundings.

Mr. Balley says that planning is progressing so rapidly that it is necessary to use a single farm as a demonstration and he has been been as a demonstration and he has been been as a demonstration and he has been a single farm as a demonstration and he has been a demonstration and he has been as a demonstration and he has been the company of the study and already those farmers who have made application for farm plans have been invited to partitude the study and already those farmers who have made application for farm plans have been invited to partitude the progression of the progression of

MANY JOIN SOIL INSERVATION PROGRAM IN STATE

More than 1,300 Michigan farmers in the 38 soil conservation districts had complete soil and water conservation plans made for their farms in 1946, R. G. Hill, Michigan State college extension soil conservationist, reports.

vationist, reports.

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eggs than hens, and lay them when
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are usually at their lowest. Heavy breed yearlings should not be kopt over for market eggs alone according to the recommendation of the poultry specialists. Orders for new chicks should be placed inimediately. Soon copies of a list of hatcheries operating under the national poultry improvement program will be available from county agricultural agents and the MSC poultry department.

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