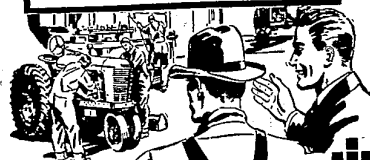


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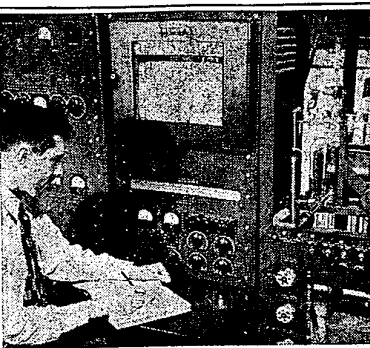
If that farm tractor is to be ready to go at the first break of spring, it needs some attention now according to Jack R. Schram, agricultural engineer at Michigan State College.

The farm tractor or any engine on a baler, combine or another implement, should be serviced just as though you were getting ready for a big day in the field, Schram says. It should be completely lubricated and the oil drained from the crankcase. The oil filter should be cleaned or replaced.

Schram advises if the crankcase is refilled with new oil and the tractor or engine run for a short period of time, a protective film of new oil will be pumped into all working parts.

Wheels should be jacked up off the ground. The spark plugs should be removed and two tablespoons of motor oil placed in each cylinder, and then the engine should be turned over by hand. Batteries should be stored inside. All drain cocks should be opened and fuel drained from tank and carburetor.

## U-M Launches New Attack on Disease



Key device in University of Michigan research aimed at ending the mystery about diseases due to faulty metabolism is the mass spectrometer, pictured above.

According to information from the instrument, which is capable of weighing atoms and molecules, is Henry J. Gomberg who is associated with Dr. Isadore Lampe and Dr. William D. Robinson in the research work.

## Experts Still Stumped On Clearing Stumps

Are you "stumped" by stumps? Many farmers are. And if you take the word of George Amundson, Michigan State College agricultural engineer who has made some study of land clearance, there is just no real easy way to rid land of stumps.

Every now and then someone comes along with a new recipe for chemical treatment and burning of stumps. Reports from tests made at the University of Illinois show that using any one of many compounds did not make stumps burn much better.

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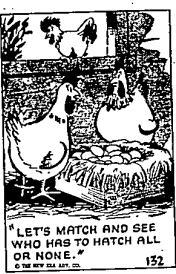
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## "Modern Farming For Modern Times" Is Theme Of Annual Farmers' Week

Farm people must be well informed and be constant students in their chosen fields so they may adjust operations to meet changing agriculture, Dean E. L. Anthony, of the Michigan State College school of agriculture, believes.

"We had this in mind in arranging the program for the thirty-fourth annual Farmers' Week at East Lansing from January 24 to 28. With farm prices down more than 14 per cent from January of 1948, efficient methods are important if the farm family is to get its fair and just share of the national income," Dean Anthony commented.

Dean Anthony pointed to the farmers' week theme: "Modern Farming for Modern Times," and expressed a belief that every department had prepared programs that both farmers and homemakers would find educational and entertaining.

Each department has morning and early afternoon meetings Tuesday-Wednesday and Thursday. As usual, Wednesday is Dairy Day with general dairy meetings in the morning and breed association meetings at noon and lasting through afternoon. The agricultural engineering department will open its farm structures conferences on Monday also.

General sessions during Farmers' Week will be Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday afternoons at 3 p.m. in the college auditorium. Evening entertainment, free of charge to

visitors, will be available these three nights.

All departments have planned programs of special interest and much farmers meetings will continue through Friday, January 29.

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## OFFICERS ELECTED BY WOMEN'S GROUP OF FARM BUREAU

The January meeting of the Women's Farm Bureau was held at the home of Mrs. Lucius Lyons on Tuesday, January 11. Eighteen members were present.

At the meeting, an election of officers was conducted, and the officials of the organization for the coming year to be voted into office were Mrs. Earl Braid, Lake Orion, chairman; Mrs. Dewey Stover, Walled Lake, vice chairman; Miss Wilma Doebler, Clarkston, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Jack Hetrick, Walled Lake, publicity chairman; and Mrs. Frank Winterhalter, Milford, parliamentarian.

A kick-off dinner for a new membership drive will be held at the Clarkston Rotary Hall on January 18. The members also voted to donate sufficient funds to purchase a cart for carrying oxygen tanks for the police ward at the Pontiac Contagious Hospital. A vote of thanks was also given to the Taystot Jewelry and Silms Store of Pontiac, the Capes Ice Cream Company of Milford, and the Willet Trailer Service of Orchard Lake Road, for their cooperation in assisting the Farm Bureau Women at the party given by the latter in the Polio Ward of the Pontiac Contagious Hospital.

A new project for the organization, to assist in financing their various works, will be the sale of Wonder Sheets to protect ovens during cooking operations. The next meeting of the group will be held at the home of Mrs. Earl Braid, 1675 Buell Road, Lake Orion.

## COW FEEDING

During the approximately 180 days when Michigan cows cannot be let out to pasture they consume great quantities of feed. Michigan State College dairy authorities say the average cow will eat two tons of hay, two tons of silage and other roughage and about 1,200 pounds of grain. So it is easy to see that the feed bill for the one million dairy cows in the state runs rather high in the winter months.

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Total Spring Length (front & rear)†	194 in.	171½ in.	162 in.	178 in.
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