

# FARM FEATURES

## More Livestock And Grass Seen For 1950

More grass and livestock in 1950 due to crop acreage controls is the prediction of agricultural economists at Michigan State College.

But for higher earnings on most farms, they say the emphasis must be on better grass rather than more acres of grass. With increased acreage it will be wise to line up 1950 needs and take delivery. Most Michigan farmers can use more high analysis commercial fertilizer and lime on cash crops, small grains and alfalfa. Supplies for next year should be ordered soon.

The economists believe that livestock in Michigan will be more profitable than cash crop farming during the next ten years. Profits will come from good use of feed rather than margins in the feeder cattle business this year.

Early pig farrowing and marketing light hogs are advised. Favorable feeding ratios and support programs will help swine raisers.

## List Pointers For New Farmers

Good advice for beginning farmers came this week from Michigan State College agricultural economists who reviewed the 1950 outlook. They advocated four points for the man who is going into farming:

1. Don't buy a farm with limited capital. Going into debt for more than one-third of the value of real estate and personal property is risky.
2. Don't buy or rent poor land.
3. Don't farm in areas where marketing outlets are limited.
4. Don't skimp on items of production which increase net earnings.

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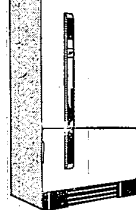
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## Name Candidates For PMA Committeemen

Ballots containing the names of candidates for the elective positions of community PMA committees to serve during 1950 are now in the hands of all eligible farmers voters in Oakland County according to Walter R. Cook, chairman of the Oakland County PMA Committee.

These candidates were nominated at a meeting held in the various communities during the latter part of October and the first part of November.

Mr. Cook said that the deadline date for returning ballots is not until December 22, but if farmers vote now and return their ballots, there will be less likelihood of misplacing the ballot around the house or of forgetting to vote. The chairs in which the ballots were mailed to all known eligible voters in the county. Any farmer who did not receive a ballot through the mail and who has reason to believe that he is eligible to vote should call at the county office where his eligibility status will be determined.

Farmers may either mail their marked ballots to the county PMA office in sealed envelopes to maintain secrecy or they may deliver them in person, Mr. Cook said.

The ballots will be counted on December 23 by an impartial election board. The candidates for Farmington, Southfield and Royal Oak are: Chairman, E. C. Copeman; Vice Chairman, Lester Evert; Registrar, Kenneth Wilson; 1st Alternate, Otto Rogentke; 2nd Alternate, Ward Engle.

## Efficiency Is Key To 1950 Dairy Profit

"Short-term prospects for dairy farming profits are anything but bright when compared to recent years, but the long-time prospects still look good," says Gerald Quackenbush, dairy specialist in the agricultural economics department at Michigan State College.

Michigan dairy farmers are faced with several unfavorable predictions for 1950. They are: 1—Milk production will increase because cow numbers are being replaced. There is plenty of feed available, 2—The demand for dairy products will be lower, even though consumers still spend more of their income for such foods than before the war. 3—Dairy product prices are expected to drop slightly in 1950 from 1949 levels.

"This may be the time to get rid of that poorest cow you decide not to cull last year," Quackenbush advises. "From an individual standpoint you might boost income by culling one or two good producers to the herd to use up large feed supplies."

The advantages of selling milk for manufacturing are not as attractive as they have been in recent years, the economist pointed out that many dairymen could profit from selling cream and feeding the skim milk. Some would gain by selling to fluid milk markets, but the advantages of this are less certain over a longer period.

With the decreasing demand for ice cream, cheese, and dry whole milk, butter production in 1950 may rise up to 10 per cent above the 1948 output, Quackenbush predicted.

The answer to whether you should remodel your house is probably no— if it is more than 75 years old, has a poor foundation, weak framing and excessively high ceilings, advises Olevia Meyer, home management specialist at MSU.

## CAUTION ADVISED IN BUYING FARM WITH LIMITED FUNDS

Michigan farmers who now buy a farm mortgaged at much more than half its value may be in for financial trouble in future years, according to agricultural economists at Michigan State College.

The economists' appraisal of the farm real estate situation is contained in the current outlook issue of "Michigan Farm Economics", published monthly as part of the MSC extension service program.

Three changes in the farm real estate picture were considered significant. Land prices have passed their peak with a 5 per cent drop since the November 1948 high. The number of farms changing hands in the last year has dropped sharply from the wartime peak. Farm mortgage debt is increasing again. According to the economists, farm land is a riskier buy now because it will take more products to pay off \$1,000 of debt than it did in the past several years. Farm product prices are falling faster than farm costs, which means less profit. And it's the profits which pay off indebtedness.

Farmers in general are in very sound financial condition, however. This is indicated by records showing that in recent years half or more of the farms changing hands in this state have been sold on an all-cash basis.

It is important, the economists said, that a farm of additional acreage be "bought right" and that it is productive land.

2.5 per cent drop in sales in that category. Resident fishermen liked their purchase of licenses 9 per cent. Sale of trout stamps, 161,441, remained practically the same as last year.

The steadily gaining popularity of hunting deer with bow and arrow has been reflected in hunting license sales for the last several years, but if the October sampling of sales is a true barometer, there will be a considerable jump in the sale of the 1949 Robbwood army. Bow hunters purchased 4,693 hunting licenses, or more than double the 1,988 recorded sold through October last year. Final 1948 record total was 2,596. As recent as 1946 only 4,455 were purchased.

## Hunt And Fish Licenses Show Increasing Sales

The conservation department says fishing license sales climbed again in October to erase the effects of a September slump and now total 1,013,129 compared to 1,005,193 through the same 10-month period last year. Total 1948 fishing license sales was 1,059,901.

Sale of licenses had dropped off in September for the first time during the year.

Through the first 10 months, resident anglers now have bought 764,658 licenses, and nonresidents 157,105 temporary and 115,367 annual licenses. Outstate fishermen again accounted for the greatest percentage increase with a 3.9 jump in sale of annual licenses. Fewer nonresidents are buying temporary fishing permits as attested by a 2.5

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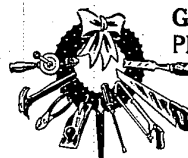


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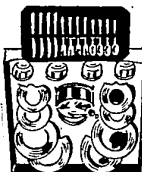
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