

Republican Assembly Speaker Perry B. Duryea Jr., of Montauk, L. I., deserves some applause. He has opened some committee meetings to reporters — and therefore the public.

First to open was the Governmental Affairs committee headed by Assemblyman John H. Terry of Syracuse. That was about a month ago. Then recently when all Assembly committees met in Albany, reporters were surprised to find themselves invited to a meeting of the important Education Committee, headed by Mrs. Constance E. Cook of Ithaca. And there were others.

Cook of Ithaca. And there wereothers.
Perhaps Duryea can be persuaded to allow the same freedom
when it really counts as far as
taxpayers are concerned during the 1970 Legislative session
beginning January 7.

Things are looking better for U.S. Senator Charles Goodell, just at a time when they look very bad.

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Recently the newly-formed Upstate Republican Chairman's Association met in Rochester. It is
made up of Republican counties
in Central and Western New York.

Wayne County Republican Chairman Vincent A. Palmer Jr., President of the association, without
prior notice, whipped out paper
ballots with this question: "Would
you support Goodell for the U.S.
Senate Today?"

The result was a surprising 27
yes and 10 no with three absent-

Assemblyman Charles D. Henderson of Hornell is chairman of a legislative committee studying campus unrest.

Peculiarly, he holds the first hearing about as far away as you can get from all the violence of last year. The hearing was scheduled for October 2 at Alfred Uni-

wersity.

Henderson has something to say about this in a press release. It doesn't seem to wash.

Henderson finds "significance" in holding the first commission hearing at Alfred.

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He said it was "unique in the sense that on practically the same grounds are a private institution and a unit of the State University snd a unit of the State University System. This emphasizes that our study will cover all institutions." Both the private Alfred University and the state-operated State Uni-versity Ag and Tech College are at Alfred.

That kind of emphasis isn't what

Inat kind of control is needed.

And in the second place, he could have held the first meeting in Ithaca, where both public and private colleges are located —both on and off the Cornell University campus proper, too—and potn on and on the Cornell University campus proper, too — and where, in fact, the campus disorders occured which caused the commission to be created.

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#### Farmers Want Proper Structured Agricultural Program

"Welfare programs to farmers should not be a substitute for realistic pricing for farm products. Keep prices down and give us welfare money — that is a lot of baloney." stated John C. York, beneral manager of Eastern Milk Producers Cooperative Association

In a letter to U. S. Secretary of Agriculture; Clifford M. Hardin who recently addressed the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture in Syracuse, N. Y., Mr. York commented on his remarks and expressed the views of Eastern regarding the present pricing system yersus welfare programs for dairy farmers.

A proper structured agricultural program geared to keep agriculture stable and in line with the economy of the country is what farmers want and should have.

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There is currently room for improvement. For example, in our federal milk marketing orders program. Only recently your department has rejected an escalator formula that would keep the economic posture of dairy farmers in proper equilibrium with the rest of the nation. Even equally important are some of the unrealistic provisions among some of the federal orders — such as the movement of milk from Ohio into the New York federal order marketing area which is displacing New York order milk and depleting the blend price correction of which your department has avoided.

ed.

I commend you on your straight forward viewpoint with regard to general situation in agriculture, particularly when you say that "farmers are entitled to a higher price for his products". However, I point out to you the following observations:

1. The average disposable income of farmers, from all sources was \$2,168 in 1968.

## Attention Motorists

Allegany County Clerk Helen S. Ackerman today reminded motorists whose registrations expire this month that one of the easiest and simplest ways to renew is by mail. Renewals should be mailed to the County Clerk's Office at Belmont, New York 14813.

Mrs. Ackerman emphasized that motorists should renew their registrations as soon as they receive their punch card applications rather than waiting until the end-of-the-month rush. She said all

2. Prices received by farmers in 1968 were 4 percent below the 1947-49 base period.

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3. Returns per hour of farm labor and management, \$1.00 in 1947, declined almost steadily from 1947 to 1955, then moved irregularly upward to \$1.60 in 1966, declined sharply in 1967 and recovered to \$1.38 in 1968 — 38 cents per hour more than in 1947.

Consumers today pay more for a market backet of food from American farms than 21 years ago, and all the increase in retail prices — and more — goes to the middlemen. None accrues ts farmers.

It appears to us that the Department of Agriculture concerns it-self too much with urban problems self too much with urban problems as well as areas that are not necessarily directly connected with agriculture. We would like to inform you that what we need is a Department of Agriculture. If there is a necessity for a Department of Consumer Affairs, we are not opposed to having such a department apart from the Department of Agriculture.

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Farmers are not interested in give-aways, welfare and donation programs. They want to be rewarded for their efforts. That is the way they are oriented in life.

punch card renewals should be mailed no later than the 20th of the month.

Those who prefer to renew in person may do so at the County Clerk's Office. Mrs. Ackerman also clerk's Office. Mrs. Ackerman also advised to avoid, if possible certain busy periods when office may be congested. These busy days are Mondays and Fridays. The busiest time of day is usually the lunch period — from 12 noon to

lunch period — from 12 noon to 2 p. m.

If you have not received your punch card by the 20th of the month, she said, you should go directly to your nearest issuing office where Motor Vehicle personnel will help you to renew.

### N. Y. Boatmen Take Notice

New York boatmen are reminded that as of March 1, 1970 they will be required to comply with the law prohibiting the discharge of any sewage from any boat on the waters of New York State.

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Under the ruling of the State.

Health Department, no settleable solids may be discharged into the water — so the only practical manner of compliance with the law will be through the use of helding tanks, recirculating systems anaerobic digesters or incinerators. And every such device to be offered for sale or used in New York State after March 1.

1970, must have passed the tests peacribed by the Conservation Department to insure their safety in marine operation. marine operation.

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Although a number of manufacturers of these devices are planning to submit their products for approval under these standards, there is only one which is pesently approved. This is Monogram Industries, Inc. Marine Monomatic 1-S, an electric operated, self contained, recirculating sanitation system for dockside discharge only.

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