WEED CONTROL - The weed problem in Wood county has always been a serious one, and has received the attention of the Extension Office. During the past summer several demonstrations with 2,4-D, a new chemical for weed control, were carried out on farms with good results. Two, 4-D promises to become more effective for weed control when individual townships see fit to purchase spraying equipment. This new chemical has proven very satisfactory in control of only the broad leaved weeds and it will save farmers thousands of dollars when it is used to check Canada Thistle, Wild Morning Glory, Rag Weed and other such weeds which are troublesome to farmers. A meeting of all weed commissioners was held in Wisconsin Rapids during the past summer to better acquaint these officers with the weed laws and to help them enforce the law. More meetings of this kind will undoubtedly be held during the year 1947, and it is hoped that all weed commissioners as well as farmers themselves will give greater attention to the losses resulting from weeds.

FARM LABOR - During the past summer and early fall city youth were recruited for local canning factories. More than 300 boys and girls and women were registered to pick beans. This was a greater number than was needed at any one time because of the dry weather conditions which prevented beans from developing rapidly. However, an attempt was made to give each person who registered an equal opportunity to help cut in the bean harvest. All of those who were recruited gathered at the Market Square and were transported by bus to the bean fields. This arrangement seemed to work out satisfactorily for all concerned.

For the cranberry harvest workers were also recruited to aid in raking cranberries on the marshes, truck driving and sorting at the warehouses. Through the cooperation of the surrounding county agricultural agents, and the Wood county extension service more than 200 men and women