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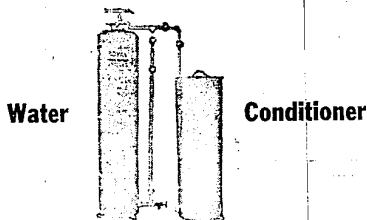
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# FARM FEATURES

## Local Men Exhibit At Illinois Fair

Exhibiting at the Illinois State Fair being held at Springfield, Illinois, are Cesar Farms, Farmington, showing registered Guernsey cattle, and Milo Measel of 4177 W. Twelve Mile Road, Farmington, showing registered Morgan horses. Mr. Measel also exhibited his Morgans at the Oakland County Fair held last week at Milford, taking three firsts and Grand Champion, Stallion. At the Mason Fair on July 23, Mr. Measel was awarded second for his stallion. Last year at the Illinois State Fair two of Mr. Measel's horses were shown. "Sun Up", registered stallion, was judged best stud colt under year age, and won futurity. "Bitter Sweet", yearling filly, also received honors.

## MSC SPECIALISTS FIND NEW HOG MANGE CONTROL

Here's good news for hog raisers from Harry Morley, animal husbandry extension specialist at Michigan state college.

A new treatment for hog mange has recently been tested and is being recommended by the college. Benzene hexachloride has been found to give excellent results in mange control and in killing hog lice. Tests were made in Hillsdale and St. Joseph Counties with some of the hogs in far advanced stages of mange. A good example that Morley cites is a pen of hogs on the Wallace Godfrey farm at Jonesville. The animals were in far advanced stages of mange with thickened and wrinkled skin and had lost much of their hair. After spraying with benzene hexachloride, the pigs stopped scratching and within five weeks had grown a smooth coat of hair.

Benzene hexachloride is a wettable powder and can be used as a spray or dip. It is sold by insecticide and chemical companies at different strengths. The gamma isomer of the powder determines the strength. Spraying or dipping solutions should contain 0.25 per cent. Therefore, if the powder is 10 per cent gamma isomer, it would take 20 pounds to mix with 100 gallons of water for the right solution. If the powder is only 5 per cent gamma isomer, it would take 40 pounds for 100 gallons of water. Cost of the treatment is reasonable. A 100 pound pig can be cured for not to exceed 20 cents material cost. MSC staff members who worked with Morley were Dr. Ray L. Jones, extension entomologist; Dr. Glen Reed, extension veterinarian; and W. N. McMillen, swine specialist. County agricultural agents Blair Woodman of Hillsdale and Vern Hinz, St. Joseph county, cooperated in field work.

In one year a female moth and her descendants can destroy as much wool as 15 sheep can produce in the same period.

## Sliding Door On Truck



Ed and Jim Long, of St. Johns, Mich., can unload grain in record time. A sliding door in one side of the truck box does the trick. Farm labor specialists of the Michigan State college extension service recommend the sliding door or a hinged door to save the time and effort required to bend and lift the grain over the side of the truck. With an opening in the side even with the floor of the truck, unloading a truckload of grain is a mere matter of pushing the grain, instead of lifting.

## CATLEMAN WILL TOUR NORTHERN RAISING AREAS

Plans for a tour of the Northern Michigan feeder cattle and purebred cattle producing sections from August 15 to 21 were outlined this week by Graydon Blank, extension animal husbandryman at Michigan State college.

"There are several purposes of the tour," Blank stated. "We want to acquaint cattle breeders with the possibilities of this area of the state for the production of feeder cattle through the use of good beef bulls. Visitors will also have the opportunity of seeing the kind of bulls needed to do the job."

Many important topics regarding beef cattle production will be stressed during the tour. Specialists will be on hand to explain breeding, feeding, pastures, mineral feeding, and grub, fly, and louse control.

On Monday, August 18, the tour will begin at the C. T. Prescott Ranch, two miles northeast of the town of Prescott. Here, 1000 Hereford cattle will be on display on the 6500-acre ranch. Following a basket lunch at noon, the group will continue the tour to ranches in Lupton, Whittemore, and Harris-

ville. Today's tour will cover sites at Harrisville, Barton City, Curtisville, and Gaylord. Wednesday morning will be spent at the Elmer Hills Ranch near Gaylord and the tour will continue to Afton and the Cheboygan area. The tour will wind up Thursday, August 21, in the vicinity of Alanson, Petoskey, and Manelona.

Commenting on the tour, Blank said that it is expected that catle raisers from all over the state will be attracted by the many interesting herds that will be viewed.

## Predict Farm Incomes Will Remain Favorable

Continued favorable incomes for farmers are predicted by Clifford M. Hardin, agricultural economist at Michigan State college. In spite of inflationary tendencies such as a very strong export demand, increased employment, and general wage increases, there still are prospects for a moderate decline in business activity, he believes.

In conclusion, Hardin pointed out that farm expenses increasing relative to farm prices "will result in lower but still favorable incomes for the remainder of 1947."

## Holstein Show To Be Held In County

The combined Oakland-Macomb County Holstein-Friesian directors are making plans to hold the annual County Black and White Show at Pontiac on August 20-21. The show will take place at the 4-H Club Farm located on Perry Street, Pontiac, just south of Walton Blvd.

Among those who have already decided to show at the event are: Elmer Farms, Birmingham; Van Hoesen Farms, Rochester; Lakefield Farms, Clarkston; and others. The program for the event is designed to promote and develop the Holstein breed throughout the state. Following the show on August 20, the state show will be held in Oakland County at the same place on August 21. This show includes entries from all over the state.

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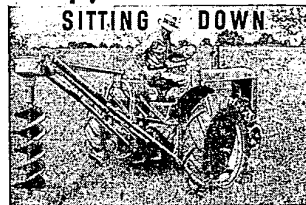
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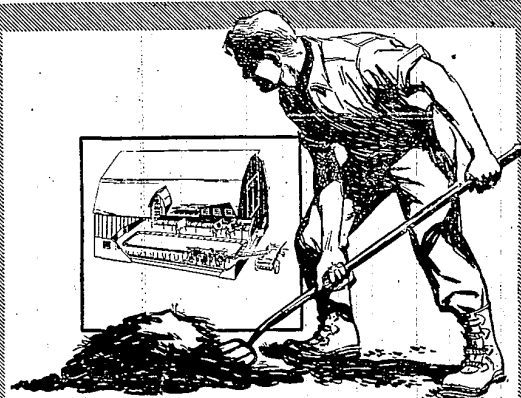


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